

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
PANEL ON DEVELOPMENT**

**PWP Item No. 172CD (Part) –
Rehabilitation of Underground Stormwater Drains – Stage 2**

**Follow-up Action Arising from the
Panel on Development Meeting on 30 April 2019**

In response to the request of the Panel on Development, the Administration hereby provides the following supplementary information regarding cases of alleged improper discharge of wastewater into stormwater drains referred by the Drainage Services Department (DSD) to the relevant government departments in recent years as well as the figure on prosecutions instituted against the cases concerned.

2. DSD has all along been maintaining close communication with the relevant government departments, including the Environmental Protection Department, and the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department. During routine inspection and maintenance of stormwater drains, if suspected improper discharges of wastewater into stormwater drains are identified, DSD will refer the cases to relevant departments for follow-up and taking appropriate legal action. In the past three years, among the suspected cases referred by DSD, the relevant departments initiated seven number of prosecutions.

3. DSD will continue to make use of publicity activities to educate the public not to discharge wastewater into stormwater drains to avoid causing environmental pollution.

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