

Legislative Council

Agenda

Wednesday 15 January 2020 at 11:00 am

I. Laying of Papers on the Table of the Council

6 items of subsidiary legislation/instruments and 1 other paper to be laid on the Table of the Council set out in **Appendix 1**

II. Questions

Members to ask 22 questions (6 for oral replies and 16 for written replies)

Questions for oral replies to be asked by

1. Hon CHAN Hak-kan
(Law and order in Hong Kong)
2. Hon Holden CHOW
(Training provided by uniformed groups for their members)
3. Hon Mrs Regina IP
(A proposal to hand out consumption vouchers)
4. Ir Dr Hon LO Wai-kwok
(Operations on brownfield sites)
5. Hon CHAN Han-pan
(Public Transport Fare Subsidy Scheme)
6. Hon CHAN Kin-por
(Petrol pump prices)

Public officers to reply

Secretary for Security
Under Secretary for
Education

Secretary for Home Affairs

Secretary for Financial
Services and the Treasury

Secretary for Development

Secretary for Transport and
Housing

Secretary for the Environment
Under Secretary for Transport
and Housing

Contents of 22 questions, Members to ask such questions and public officers to reply set out in **Appendix 2**

III. Government Bills

First Reading and Second Reading (debate to be adjourned)

First Reading

1. Statute Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2019

Second Reading (debate to be adjourned)

1. Employment (Amendment) Bill 2019 : Secretary for Labour and Welfare
(Standing over from the meeting of 8 January 2020)
2. Statute Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2019 : Secretary for Justice

IV. Members' Motions

1st debate (covering the following 2 motions on the incident of assaults which occurred in Yuen Long Station of West Rail Line of the MTR Corporation Limited on 21 July 2019 (“the 721 incident”))

(Standing over from the meeting of 23 October 2019)

1. **Motion under the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance to appoint a select committee to conduct an inquiry**

Mover : Hon LAM Cheuk-ting

Wording of the motion : Appendix 3

2. **Motion under the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance to appoint a select committee to conduct an inquiry**
(This motion concerns both the 721 incident and the 831 incident)

Mover : Hon Claudia MO

Wording of the motion : Appendix 4

Public officers to attend this debate : Secretary for Security
Under Secretary for Security

(Debate and voting arrangements set out in LC Paper Nos. CB(3) 195/19-20 and CB(3) 218/19-20 issued on 9 and 17 December 2019)

2nd debate (covering the following 3 motions on the incident of assaults which occurred in Prince Edward Station of the MTR Corporation Limited on 31 August 2019 (“the 831 incident”) as well as the part concerning the 831 incident in Hon Claudia MO’s motion in item 2)

(Standing over from the meeting of 23 October 2019)

- 3. Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law to summon the Commissioner of Police, Director of Fire Services, Chairman of the MTR Corporation Limited (“MTRCL”) and Operations Director of MTRCL to produce papers and testify**

Mover : Hon Alvin YEUNG

Wording of the motion : Appendix 5

- 4. Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law to summon the Commissioner of Police, Director of Fire Services, Assistant Director (Ambulance) of the Fire Services Department, Chief Executive of the Hospital Authority, Hospital Chief Executive of Kwong Wah Hospital and Hospital Chief Executive of Princess Margaret Hospital to produce papers and testify**

Mover : Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki

Wording of the motion : Appendix 6

- 5. Motion under the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance to appoint a select committee to conduct an inquiry**

Mover : Hon KWONG Chun-yu

Wording of the motion : Appendix 7

Public officers to attend this debate : Secretary for Security
Secretary for Transport and Housing
Secretary for Food and Health
Under Secretary for Security
Under Secretary for Food and Health
Under Secretary for Transport and Housing

(Debate and voting arrangements set out in LC Paper Nos. CB(3) 195/19-20 and CB(3) 218/19-20 issued on 9 and 17 December 2019)

3rd debate (covering the following 7 motions on the Police's handling of protesters and persons performing duties in the protests during the "anti-extradition to China" movement)

(Items 6 to 10 standing over from the meeting of 23 October 2019)

6 and 7. Motions under the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance to appoint select committees to conduct inquiries

Mover : Hon Tanya CHAN

Wording of the motions : Appendices 8 and 9

8 and 9. Motions under the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance to appoint select committees to conduct inquiries

Mover : Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki

Wording of the motions : Appendices 10 and 11

10. Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law to summon the Secretary for Security and Secretary for Labour and Welfare to produce papers and testify

Mover : Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG

Wording of the motion : Appendix 12

(Item 11 standing over from the meeting of 13 November 2019)

11. Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law to summon the Secretary for Security and Commissioner of Police to produce papers and testify

Mover : Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki

Wording of the motion : Appendix 13

(Item 12 standing over from the meeting of 11 December 2019)

12. Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law to summon the Commissioner of Police to produce papers and testify

Mover : Hon Kenneth LEUNG

Wording of the motion : **Appendix 14**

Public officers to attend this debate : Secretary for Labour and Welfare
Secretary for Security
Under Secretary for Security
Under Secretary for Labour and Welfare

(Debate and voting arrangements set out in LC Paper Nos. CB(3) 195/19-20 and CB(3) 218/19-20 issued on 9 and 17 December 2019)

4th debate (covering the following 2 motions on the causes and consequences of the social conflicts or disturbances arising from the amendments to the Fugitive Offenders Ordinance (Cap. 503) and related matters)

(Item 13 standing over from the meeting of 13 November 2019)

13. Motion under the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance to appoint a select committee to conduct an inquiry

Mover : Hon CHUNG Kwok-pan

Wording of the motion : **Appendix 15**

(Item 14 standing over from the meeting of 27 November 2019)

14. Motion under the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance to appoint a select committee to conduct an inquiry

Mover : Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG

Wording of the motion : **Appendix 16**

Amendment mover : Hon James TO
(Amendment set out in LC Paper No. CB(3) 155/19-20 issued on 22 November 2019)

Public officers to attend this debate : Chief Secretary for Administration
Secretary for Security
Under Secretary for Security

(Debate and voting arrangements set out in LC Paper Nos. CB(3) 195/19-20 and CB(3) 218/19-20 issued on 9 and 17 December 2019)

Debate and voting arrangements for the following 2 motions to be notified

15. Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law to summon the Secretary for Security and Commissioner of Police to produce papers and testify

Mover : Hon Charles Peter MOK

Wording of the motion : **Appendix 17**

Public officers to attend : Secretary for Security
Under Secretary for Security

16. Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law to summon the Secretary for Security and Secretary for Transport and Housing to produce papers and testify

Mover : Hon Jeremy TAM

Wording of the motion : **Appendix 18**

Public officers to attend : Secretary for Security
Secretary for Transport and Housing
Under Secretary for Security
Under Secretary for Transport and Housing

5th debate (covering the following motion)

(Standing over from the meeting of 12 June 2019)

17. Motion on “No confidence in the Fifth Term Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region”

- Mover : Hon Dennis KWOK
- Wording of the motion : **Appendix 19**
- Amendment mover : Hon Claudia MO
(Amendment set out in LC Paper No. CB(3) 667/18-19 issued on 5 June 2019)
- Public officer to attend : Chief Secretary for Administration

6th debate (covering the following motion)

(Standing over from the meeting of 12 June 2019)

18. Motion on “Ensuring children’s right to play for them to grow up happily”

- Mover : Hon HO Kai-ming
- Wording of the motion : **Appendix 20**
- 5 amendment movers : Hon IP Kin-yuen, Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki, Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG, Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan and Hon HUI Chi-fung
(Amendments set out in LC Paper No. CB(3) 669/18-19 issued on 6 June 2019)
- Public officers to attend : Secretary for Labour and Welfare
Under Secretary for Labour and Welfare

Clerk to the Legislative Council

Council meeting of 15 January 2020

Laying of Papers on the Table of the Council

Subsidiary legislation/instruments	Legal Notice No.
1. <u>Prevention and Control of Disease Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule 1) Notice 2020</u>	3 of 2020
2. <u>Prevention and Control of Disease (Amendment) Regulation 2020</u>	4 of 2020
3. <u>Building (Construction) Regulation</u>	5 of 2020
4. <u>Building (Administration) (Amendment) Regulation 2020</u>	6 of 2020
5. <u>Building (Ventilating Systems) (Amendment) Regulation 2020</u>	7 of 2020
6. <u>Building (Construction) Regulations (Repeal) Regulation</u>	8 of 2020
 Other paper	
7. <u>Report of changes made to the approved Estimates of Expenditure during the second quarter of 2019-20</u> <u>Public Finance Ordinance : Section 8</u> (to be presented by Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury)	

22 questions to be asked at the Council meeting of 15 January 2020

	Subject matters	Public officers to reply
Questions for oral replies		
1	Hon CHAN Hak-kan <u>Law and order in Hong Kong</u>	Secretary for Security Under Secretary for Education
2	Hon Holden CHOW <u>Training provided by uniformed groups for their members</u>	Secretary for Home Affairs
3	Hon Mrs Regina IP <u>A proposal to hand out consumption vouchers</u>	Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury
4	Ir Dr Hon LO Wai-kwok <u>Operations on brownfield sites</u>	Secretary for Development
5	Hon CHAN Han-pan <u>Public Transport Fare Subsidy Scheme</u>	Secretary for Transport and Housing
6	Hon CHAN Kin-por <u>Petrol pump prices</u>	Secretary for the Environment Under Secretary for Transport and Housing
Questions for written replies		
7	Hon Alice MAK <u>Non-locally trained medical practitioners</u>	Secretary for Food and Health
8	Hon MA Fung-kwok <u>Promotion of a reading culture</u>	Secretary for Home Affairs
9	Hon LEUNG Che-cheung <u>Special child care centres</u>	Secretary for Labour and Welfare
10	Hon SHIU Ka-fai <u>Support for small and medium enterprises</u>	Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development
11	Hon Alvin YEUNG <u>Funding for the Hong Kong Police Force</u>	Secretary for Security
12	Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG <u>Providing support for owners of three-nil buildings</u>	Secretary for Home Affairs
13	Hon CHAN Chun-ying <u>Offshore Renminbi businesses</u>	Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury
14	Dr Hon Pierre CHAN <u>Services of the accident and emergency departments of public hospitals</u>	Secretary for Food and Health
15	Hon Jimmy NG <u>Revitalization scheme for industrial buildings</u>	Secretary for Development
16	Hon Elizabeth QUAT <u>Development of a “sponge city”</u>	Secretary for Development
17	Prof Hon Joseph LEE <u>Coping with the surge in demand for public hospital services</u>	Secretary for Food and Health
18	Hon Kenneth LEUNG <u>Improving Mandatory Provident Fund schemes</u>	Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury
19	Hon Dennis KWOK <u>Trading funds</u>	Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury
20	Hon Charles Peter MOK <u>Facilitating the application of information systems and development of autonomous vehicles</u>	Secretary for Transport and Housing
21	Hon Tony TSE <u>Tso/Tong lands</u>	Secretary for Home Affairs
22	Hon CHU Hoi-dick <u>Non-skilled workers engaged by government service contractors</u>	Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury

Question 1
(For oral reply)

(Translation)

Law and order in Hong Kong

Hon CHAN Hak-kan to ask:

In recent months, huge quantities of dangerous chemicals have been stolen from the laboratories of three universities; improvised explosive devices and petrol bombs have been seized by the Police on a number of occasions; a secondary school laboratory assistant and two other persons have been arrested on the spot for suspected testing of remote-controlled bombs; a secondary school student has been prosecuted for suspected carrying of the explosive TATP to school; and rumours about plots to vandalize electricity supply facilities and to put poison into reservoirs have been circulated on the Internet. Regarding the law and order in Hong Kong, will the Government inform this Council:

- (1) whether it knows the respective quantities of the various types of chemicals stolen from the aforesaid laboratories and, among them, the respective quantities of those recovered and those still missing; the respective numbers of persons arrested and prosecuted for stealing such chemicals; the new measures put in place to ensure that the laboratories of universities and secondary schools are fitted with adequate anti-theft measures, and whether it will take measures to prevent persons with relevant criminal records from being employed to work in laboratories; if so, of the details;
- (2) whether it stepped up, in the past six months, publicity efforts targeted at operators of hardware stores to remind them not to sell dangerous chemicals to suspicious persons; if so, of the details; and
- (3) of the new measures put in place to raise public vigilance against improvised explosive devices; whether it will take targeted measures to guard against attacks on electricity supply and water supply facilities?

Question 2
(For oral reply)

(Translation)

Training provided by uniformed groups for their members

Hon Holden CHOW to ask:

Some academics have pointed out that quite a number of people have recently been misled by wrong messages into identifying with and even advocating Hong Kong independence. They suggest that the Government should step up publicity and education efforts within the Government and among education institutions at various levels and the various youth uniformed groups, so that more people will understand the constitutional status of the Hong Kong SAR under the “one country, two systems” as well as the national conditions. In this connection, will the Government inform this Council if it knows:

- (1) the number of complaints received by the various youth uniformed groups since June last year alleging that their members had participated in unlawful public activities, or openly made remarks which were secessionist or discredited the “one country, two systems”; whether such groups have taken disciplinary actions against those members found to have misconducted themselves; if so, of the details; if not, how the Government prevents illegal acts and messages advocating Hong Kong independence from propagating within such groups; and
- (2) whether the various youth uniformed groups provided training in each of the past five years for their members on understanding the country’s Constitution, the Basis Law and the national conditions; if so, set out the details of the relevant programmes in a table; if not, whether the Government will require such groups to offer such programmes?

Question 3
(For oral reply)

(Translation)

A proposal to hand out consumption vouchers

Hon Mrs Regina IP to ask:

Since June last year, the ongoing demonstrations and violent acts have dealt a heavy blow to Hong Kong's economy and various sectors, especially the tourism, catering and retail industries. The real Gross Domestic Product for the whole of last year is expected to see a drop of 1.3%, and the unemployment rate may rise continuously. In this connection, will the Government inform this Council, in order to stimulate consumer spending for boosting economic recovery and employment, whether it will consider the following proposal put forward earlier on by the New People's Party: handing out to each of the Hong Kong residents aged above 18 a local consumption voucher, with a six-month validity period and a total value of \$10,000 (of which the amounts to be spent on catering and retail services are both \$4,000 and the amount on tourism services is \$2,000); if not, of the reasons for that?

Question 4
(For oral reply)

(Translation)

Operations on brownfield sites

Ir Dr Hon LO Wai-kwok to ask:

A report of the Study on Existing Profile and Operations of Brownfield Sites in the New Territories, published by the Planning Department in November last year, pointed out that there were 7 373 active brownfield sites throughout the territory, involving an area of around 1 414 hectares and providing about 52 000 jobs. The authorities have indicated that they would assist brownfield operators affected by government development projects to identify alternative sites for reprovisioning of their business, including reserving, in major development projects, sites suitable for the development of multi-storey buildings (“MSBs”) or open-air sites for reprovisioning of such brownfield operations. In this connection, will the Government inform this Council:

- (1) whether it has assessed if the reserved sites suitable for the development of MSBs would be sufficient for accommodating the brownfield operations concerned, and whether it has reserved sufficient open-air sites for accommodating those brownfield operations which cannot be reprovisioned in MSBs, in particular those indispensable operations (e.g. storage of construction materials or large construction machinery); if so, of the details; if not, the reasons for that;
- (2) whether it has assessed the number of brownfield operations that will be forced to close down upon resumption of the relevant brownfield sites by the Government; if so, of the details and the industries involved; if not, the reasons for that; and
- (3) whether it has, having regard to the findings in the aforesaid report, carried out detailed planning for the consolidation of brownfield operations; if so, of the details; if not, the reasons for that?

Question 5
(For oral reply)

(Translation)

Public Transport Fare Subsidy Scheme

Hon CHAN Han-pan to ask:

On 1 January last year, the Government launched the Public Transport Fare Subsidy Scheme. The amount of monthly subsidy was set at one fourth of the actual public transport expenses after deducting the first \$400, subject to a cap of \$300 (“the former Scheme”). On 1 January this year, the Government enhanced the Scheme by raising the subsidy rate and the cap to one third and \$400 respectively, but no change was made to the aforesaid \$400 threshold for subsidy collection (“the new Scheme”). In this connection, will the Government inform this Council:

- (1) of the following details of the former Scheme (set out monthly figures in a table): a breakdown on the number of people who collected the subsidies by the group to which the subsidy amounts belong (each group spanning \$50) and the percentages concerned, the average amount of subsidy per person, as well as the number of people who had not collected the subsidies upon expiry of the time limit for collection and the total amount involved; whether it has compiled statistics on the number of people whose monthly public transport expenses last year ranged from \$200 to less than \$300 and from \$300 to less than \$400; if so, set out the relevant figures in a table; if not, of the reasons for that;
- (2) whether it has calculated the increase in expenditure of the former Scheme and the anticipated increase in expenditure to be incurred by the new Scheme this year, should the threshold be lowered to \$200; and
- (3) given that in the first three months from the launch of the former Scheme, the percentage of the number of people granted with a monthly subsidy ranging from \$200 to \$300 in the total number of people who benefitted from the Scheme was less than 10%, whether the Government had taken such situation into account in determining the threshold, subsidy rate and subsidy cap of the new Scheme; given that the economy of Hong Kong has currently slid into recession, whether the Government will consider lowering the threshold and extending the scope of the new Scheme to cover all red minibus and Kaito routes; if so, of the timetable and the details; if not, the reasons for that?

Question 6
(For oral reply)

(Translation)

Petrol pump prices

Hon CHAN Kin-por to ask:

It has been reported that while international crude oil prices have dropped by nearly half from the peak in 2014, local petrol pump prices have gone up instead of going down over the same period and even hit record high time and again. A website which monitors global oil prices has pointed out that, taking the end of last year as an example, the petrol pump prices in Hong Kong was the highest in the world and even far higher than the relevant prices in neighbouring places (e.g. Singapore, South Korea and Japan). In this connection, will the Government inform this Council:

- (1) whether it has studied why the local petrol pump prices did not go down in line with the trend of international crude oil prices; if so, of the details; if not, the reasons for that;
- (2) given that despite the Government's policy to let the prices of auto-fuel products be determined by the market and to let consumers make their own choices through improving price transparency, some members of the public have queried the effectiveness of such policy, whether the Government will consider adopting measures to stabilize petrol pump prices; and
- (3) as Hong Kong's economy has slid into a recession, whether it has studied the impacts of the persistently high petrol pump prices on people's livelihood, the economy and inflation rate, and how it prevents the persistently high petrol pump prices from exacerbating public grievances?

Question 7
(For written reply)

(Translation)

Non-locally trained medical practitioners

Hon Alice MAK to ask:

Since the 2011-2012 financial year, the Hospital Authority (“HA”) has employed non-locally trained medical practitioners who have been approved by The Medical Council of Hong Kong for limited registration. Persons employed as Service Residents under limited registration must possess qualifications comparable to the Intermediate Examinations of the constituent Colleges of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine (“HKAM”) (“Qualification One”), while persons employed as Associate Consultants under limited registration must be certified or registered as a specialist in relevant specialty in the country of practising medicine or possess equivalent qualifications, and the certification or registration system of the specialist status concerned must be nationally or officially recognized in the country of practising medicine (“Qualification Two”). In this connection, will the Government inform this Council:

- (1) whether it knows, among the non-locally trained medical practitioners employed by HA in each of the past five financial years, the respective numbers of those with Qualification One and those with Qualification Two;
- (2) whether it knows, in each of the past five financial years, the number of non-locally trained medical practitioners employed by HA who received training offered by HKAM (broken down by specialty);
- (3) whether it knows HKAM’s considerations in determining the number of training places; the number of specialist training places offered by HKAM to locally trained medical practitioners in each of the past five financial years, and whether HKAM reduced the number of such places as a result of provision of training for non-locally trained medical practitioners;
- (4) whether it knows, among the non-locally trained medical practitioners who sought employment with HA in each year since the 2011-2012 financial year, the number of those who did not possess Qualification One or Qualification Two; and
- (5) as it has been reported that the constituent Colleges of HKAM will no longer require non-locally trained medical practitioners who receive their training to possess Qualification One, whether it knows if HA will correspondingly adjust the conditions for

employment as medical practitioners under limited registration; if HA will, how HA ensures that the quality of public healthcare services will not deteriorate?

Question 8
(For written reply)

(Translation)

Promotion of a reading culture

Hon MA Fung-kwok to ask:

Since 2018, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (“LCSD”) has, in collaboration with the Education Bureau (“EDB”), implemented the reading-for-all campaign with the theme of “Discover and Share the Joy of Reading”. To this end, public libraries have organized various reading promotion activities, and EDB has also provided financial resources to kindergartens, primary and secondary schools for promoting reading. However, a report on the 2019 Survey on Hong Kong People’s Reading Habits released by the Hong Kong Publishing Professionals Society in April last year showed that about 30% of the respondents did not have the habit of reading physical books in the year before, and almost 80% of the respondents had not heard of the aforesaid campaign. In this connection, will the Government inform this Council:

- (1) of the targeted activities organized in the past two years by public libraries under the reading-for-all campaign to encourage various groups (especially students and young people) to develop a reading habit; the responses to and effectiveness of such activities;
- (2) of the details of the work of LCSD in the past two years (i) in collaboration with EDB, on promoting students to develop a reading habit and (ii) in collaboration with community organizations or individuals, on promoting reading among all people (e.g. the participating members or organizations of the publishing sector and the participating authors);
- (3) of the measures taken in the past two years and to be taken this year by the Government to publicize and promote the reading-for-all campaign;
- (4) given that starting from the 2019-2020 school year, the Government provides, depending on the number of students, a recurrent Promotion of Reading Grant ranging from \$10,000 to \$20,000 to each kindergarten participating in the Kindergarten Education Scheme, whether it has assessed the effectiveness of such initiative; whether it will consider raising the level of the grant or introducing more measures to enhance the promotion of a reading culture at the kindergarten level;
- (5) given that starting from the 2018-2019 school year, the Government has provided, depending on the number of classes operated, a

recurrent Promotion of Reading Grant ranging from \$30,000 to \$70,000 to each public sector primary and secondary school, whether it has assessed the effectiveness of such initiative; whether it will consider increasing the level of the grant or introducing more measures to enhance the promotion of a reading culture at the primary and secondary school level; and

- (6) whether the Government will introduce new measures this year to promote reading, such as offering book coupons to primary and secondary school students to subsidize their purchase of extracurricular books; if so, of the details?

Question 9
(For written reply)

(Translation)

Special child care centres

Hon LEUNG Che-cheung to ask:

Special child care centres (“SCCCs”) subvented by the Social Welfare Department (“SWD”) provide special training and care services for children with moderate to severe disabilities who are aged two to under six and have not yet started primary school education. In the financial year of 2017-2018, the average waiting time for SCCC service was as long as 19.6 months and, as at 30 November last year, there were 1 856 children waiting for this service. Such children, while waiting for SCCC service, may be arranged to receive other pre-school rehabilitation services. It is learnt that quite a number of parents of such children have enrolled their children in ordinary kindergartens in order that their children may have certain physical and mental development while waiting for SCCC service. In this connection, will the Government inform this Council:

- (1) of the number of children who were removed from the waiting list for SCCC service in each of the past three years on grounds that they had reached six years old, as well as the respective numbers of such children who (i) had been and (ii) had not yet been arranged by SWD to receive other services at the time when they were removed from the waiting list;
- (2) in respect of those children who were required to leave SCCCs in each of the past three years upon reaching the age of six, of the longest, shortest, average and median numbers of months for which they had received SCCC service;
- (3) whether SWD will, in the coming three years, provide more suitable transitional services for children waiting for SCCC service (in particular those children with severe disabilities); if so, of the details;
- (4) as some ordinary kindergartens have admitted children waiting for SCCC service, of the support provided by SWD to those kindergartens and children; and
- (5) whether SWD has drawn up a long-term plan for SCCC service with the target of zero waiting time; if so, of the details (including the timeframe for meeting this target); if not, the reasons for that?

Question 10
(For written reply)

(Translation)

Support for small and medium enterprises

Hon SHIU Ka-fai to ask:

It is learnt that the disturbances arising from the opposition to the proposed legislative amendments, which erupted more than half a year ago, have brought great impacts on trade fair activities, including a substantial decrease in the number of exhibitors, a slump in the attendances of overseas and local buyers, and shortened exhibition hours due to unexpected incidents or traffic conditions, causing heavy losses to the exhibitors. On the other hand, the Government has announced earlier that there will be enhancements to the SME Export Marketing Fund (“EMF”): starting from the 20th of this month, the cumulative funding ceiling for each small and medium enterprise (“SME”) will be raised from \$400,000 to \$800,000, and an option will be added whereby SMEs may apply for an initial payment of up to as much as 75% of the approved government funding. In this connection, will the Government inform this Council:

- (1) whether it has conducted studies on granting ex-gratia payments to exhibitors who have suffered losses due to the social movements; if so, of the details; if not, the reasons for that;
- (2) why it has not (i) set the effective date of EMF enhancement measures retrospectively at the date on which the disturbances arising from the opposition to the proposed legislative amendments erupted, (ii) set the ceiling of the initial payment at the full amount of the approved government funding, and (iii) raised, from 50% to 75% or 100%, the percentage of the maximum amount of grant in the total approved expenditure for each export promotion activity, so as to alleviate SMEs’ imminent financial hardship; and
- (3) whether it conducted in the past six months studies in collaboration with organizations such as the Hong Kong Trade Development Council and the Airport Authority Hong Kong on providing exhibitors of exhibitions held in venues such as the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre and the AsiaWorld-Expo with subsidies on venue hire charges and other charges; if so, of the details; if not, the reasons for that?

Question 11
(For written reply)

(Translation)

Funding for the Hong Kong Police Force

Hon Alvin YEUNG to ask:

The controlling officer for Head 122 (Hong Kong Police Force) of Government expenditure is the Commissioner of Police (“CP”). In this connection, will the Government inform this Council of the following information in respect of each of the financial years from 2015-2016 to 2019-2020:

- (1) (i) the original estimates of expenditure, (ii) the revised estimates of expenditure and (iii) the actual expenditure (except for the current year) under Head 122, and set out in Table 1 a breakdown by subhead;

Table 1

Financial year	Subhead	(i)	(ii)	(iii)
2015-2016	000			
	...			
	Total			
...				

- (2) (i) the amount of supplementary appropriation sought for Head 122 by the authorities by introducing a Supplementary Appropriation Bill into this Council, and (ii) the main reasons for seeking the appropriation (except for the current year) (set out in Table 2);

Table 2

Financial year	(i)	(ii)
2015-2016		
...		

- (3) the number of applications made by the authorities to the Finance Committee of this Council for making changes to the approved estimates of expenditure under Head 122, and set out in Table 3 the following information in respect of each of such applications: the (i) approval date and commencement date of the changes, (ii) subhead(s) involved, (iii) nature of the change(s) (i.e. (a) creation of new subhead(s), (b) supplementary provision in approved or new subhead(s), (c) variation(s) in the establishment(s) of post(s), (d) increase(s) in the limit to the commitments which might be entered into for non-recurrent expenditure and (e) others), (iv) purpose and (v) amount;

Table 3

Financial year	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(v)
2015-2016					
					Total
...					

- (4) the number of changes that the Financial Secretary made, in accordance with the power delegated to him by the Finance Committee of this Council under section 8(3) of the Public Finance Ordinance (Cap. 2), to the approved estimates of expenditure under Head 122, and set out in Table 4 (of the same format as Table 3) the following information in respect of each of such changes: the (i) commencement date, (ii) subhead(s) involved, (iii) nature of the change, (iv) purpose and (v) amount;
- (5) the total amount of urgent expenditure incurred by CP under section 15 of Cap. 2, and set out in Table 5 the following information in respect of each of the occasions on which such expenditure was incurred: the (i) date, (ii) subhead(s) involved, (iii) purpose and (iv) amount;

Table 5

Financial year	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)
2015-2016				
				Total
...				

- (6) the number of allocation warrants signed, under section 14(4) of Cap. 2, by other controlling officers for authorizing CP to incur expenditure under the subheads of the heads controlled by such officers, and the following information in respect of each of such allocation warrants: the (i) date of signing, (ii) commencement date, (iii) the controlling officer and department concerned, (iv) head and subhead(s) involved, (v) purpose, and (vi) amount (set out in Table 6); and

Table 6

Financial year	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(v)	(vi)
2015-2016						
						Total
...						

- (7) the channels, apart from the aforesaid channels, through which the Hong Kong Police Force receive funding?

Question 12
(For written reply)

(Translation)

Providing support for owners of three-nil buildings

Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG to ask:

It is learnt that currently quite a number of buildings which do not have owners' corporations ("OCs") or any form of residents' organizations, or have not engaged property management companies ("PMCs") (commonly known as "three-nil buildings") are plagued by poor building management, which has given rise to problems in respect of hygiene, security, fire safety, building maintenance, etc., thus making it difficult for the residents concerned to live in peace. In this connection, will the Government inform this Council:

- (1) whether it knows the current number of three-nil buildings in the territory, with a breakdown by District Council ("DC") district;
- (2) of the respective numbers of OCs formed and re-activated with the assistance provided by the Building Management Professional Advisory Service Scheme ("BMPASS") since its implementation by the Home Affairs Department ("HAD") in 2011, with a breakdown by DC district;
- (3) whether HAD reviewed, in the past six months, the effectiveness of the implementation of (i) BMPASS and (ii) the Resident Liaison Ambassador Scheme; if so, of the outcome of the review; if not, the reasons for that;
- (4) whether it will consider introducing a pilot scheme on joint building management to engage PMCs to (i) provide property management services for multiple adjoining three-nil buildings and (ii) assist the owners of such buildings in forming or re-activating OCs, within a specified timeframe; if so, of the details; if not, the reasons for that; and
- (5) whether it will, by making reference to the Operation Building Bright and the Lift Modernisation Subsidy Scheme, provide financial assistance to the owners of three-nil buildings to help them solve problems in respect of hygiene, security, etc., arising from poor building management?

Question 13
(For written reply)

(Translation)

Offshore Renminbi businesses

Hon CHAN Chun-ying to ask:

Hong Kong used to be the premier global centre for offshore Renminbi (“RMB”) businesses, with over RMB1 trillion being parked in Hong Kong during the peak period at the end of 2014. However, the volume of offshore RMB transactions in Hong Kong has shrunk year after year in recent years, and RMB deposits also dropped to RMB636.4 billion in October 2019. On the contrary, despite the fact that London, a competitor of Hong Kong, established its offshore RMB centre only in 2011, it has now replaced Hong Kong as the largest offshore RMB foreign exchange (“FX”) transaction centre globally. In August last year, the market shares of London and Hong Kong in offshore RMB FX transactions were 43.9% and 24.37% respectively. In addition, the Government of the United Kingdom proposed in June 2019 that banks should be allowed to include RMB-denominated bonds in their eligible collateral lists so as to further consolidate London’s position as an offshore RMB FX transaction centre. In this connection, will the Government inform this Council:

- (1) whether it has conducted studies on the specific causes for the volume of offshore RMB transactions in Hong Kong shrinking year after year in recent years; if so, of the details; if not, the reasons for that;
- (2) given that London has overtaken Hong Kong to become the largest offshore RMB FX transaction centre globally within a short period of a couple of years, whether the Government has conducted studies on and drawn reference from the factors contributing to the success of London; if so, of the details; if not, the reasons for that; and
- (3) given that the Outline Development Plan for the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area has expressed clear support for “strengthening Hong Kong’s status as a global offshore RMB business hub”, and that Hong Kong is facing challenges from other financial centres in this regard, whether the Government has any long-term and specific plans to enlarge Hong Kong’s share in the global offshore RMB businesses, as well as to consolidate and enhance Hong Kong’s status as an offshore RMB business hub; if so, of the details; if not, the reasons for that?

Question 14
(For written reply)

(Translation)

Services of the accident and emergency departments of public hospitals

Dr Hon Pierre CHAN to ask:

On 18 June 2017, the Hospital Authority (“HA”) raised the charge payable by eligible persons for using the services of the accident and emergency (“A&E”) departments of public hospitals from \$100 to \$180, so as to encourage A&E patients whose conditions are not the most urgent to switch to using outpatient services. In this connection, will the Government inform this Council if it knows:

- (1) the attendances of the A&E departments of public hospitals in each month of the past three financial years and the current financial year (up to 31 December 2019), with a breakdown by the triage category to which the patients belonged (set out in tables of the same format as the table below);

Financial year: _____

Year and month	Attendances of A&E departments				
	Category I (Critical)	Category II (Emergency)	Category III (Urgent)	Category IV (Semi-urgent)	Category V (Non-urgent)

- (2) whether HA has reviewed the effectiveness of raising the charge for using the services of the A&E departments on reducing those A&E attendances of patients belonging to triage Categories IV and V; if HA has, of the outcome (including the duration for which the effect has lasted); if not, the reasons for that; and
- (3) (i) the average cost per attendance and (ii) the average waiting time of patients of each triage category in respect of the services of the A&E departments of public hospitals in each of the past three financial years and the current financial year (up to 31 December 2019)?

Question 15
(For written reply)

(Translation)

Revitalization scheme for industrial buildings

Hon Jimmy NG to ask:

Regarding the revitalization scheme (“the scheme”) for industrial buildings (“IBs”), the reactivation of which was announced by the Government in the 2018 Policy Address, will the Government inform this Council:

- (1) of the respective numbers of the following types of applications received by the Government so far: (i) wholesale conversion of IBs, (ii) redevelopment of IBs, (iii) provision of transitional housing in converted IBs, and (iv) broadening the permissible uses of buffer floors; among the applications under each of these types, the respective current numbers of those approved, rejected as well as undergoing the vetting and approval process; the average time taken for vetting and approval of each type of such applications;
- (2) given that one of the conditions for the Lands Department to approve, at nil waiver fee, special waiver applications lodged by IB owners for the change of use upon wholesale conversion of eligible IBs is that the owner(s) must designate 10% of the converted gross floor area (“GFA”) of the IB concerned for specific uses decided by the Government, of the aggregate GFA for each type of such specific uses involved in such applications approved so far;
- (3) given that the maximum permissible non-domestic plot ratio may be relaxed for the redevelopment of eligible IBs by the owners of the IBs concerned provided that they pay the land premium in full, whether the Government will consider allowing the owners to have the option, in lieu of payment of land premium, of designating a specific percentage of the GFA of the redeveloped IBs for the specific uses decided by the Government; if so, of the details; if not, the reasons for that;
- (4) of the latest progress of the Development Bureau’s exploration with the Fire Services Department on the feasibility of further widening the scope of uses permissible in a buffer floor under the scheme (including the new permissible uses proposed); and
- (5) given that the Government has relaxed the policy on waiver applications for using IB units for five types of non-industrial uses (i.e. art studio, audio-visual recording office, design and media production office, office for specified creative industries, as well as research, design and development centre), of the respective

numbers of IB units currently used for these five types of uses, as well as the total number of IBs involved?

Question 16
(For written reply)

(Translation)

Development of a “sponge city”

Hon Elizabeth QUAT to ask:

It is learnt that “sponge city” is a modern stormwater management approach which helps collect stormwater effectively, optimize the use of stormwater through the water recycling system and drain away stormwater timely to prevent the occurrence of flooding. At present, quite a number of countries and more than 30 Mainland cities have adopted the sponge city concept, and Hong Kong has planned for many years to develop a sponge city. In this connection, will the Government inform this Council:

- (1) of the works for stormwater harvesting and drainage systems carried out in the past three years which incorporated the concept of sponge city at the design stage; the details of such type of works which are currently in progress;
- (2) of the costs of sponge city-related works in the past three years; whether it has evaluated the effectiveness of such works; if so, of the details; if not, the reasons for that;
- (3) given that the Underground Stormwater Storage Scheme is a case that exemplifies the application of the sponge city concept and the existing three underground stormwater storage tanks in Hong Kong are located at Tai Hang Tung, Sheung Wan and Happy Valley respectively, whether the authorities have plans to build underground stormwater storage tanks in other districts (e.g. the New Territories); if so, of the details; if not, the reasons for that;
- (4) as the Drainage Services Department (“DSD”) indicated in its Sustainability Report 2016-17 that it had, by making reference to the sponge city concept, incorporated green roofs and vertical greening into its drainage facilities to reduce surface runoff, and would continue to build 4 000 additional square metres of such green facilities each year, of the additional square metres of green roofs and vertical greening built by the Government, as well as the costs of works incurred annually, since the financial year of 2016-2017;
- (5) given that sponge city-related works currently fall within the remit of different government departments (including the Water Supplies Department, DSD and Environmental Protection Department), while such type of works are overseen by one single department in Singapore (i.e. the Public Utilities Board), whether the authorities

will follow such practice; if so, of the details; if not, the reasons for that; and

- (6) as it is learnt that the Government is actively introducing design elements with “sponge” effects to new development projects, such as constructing the first flood retention lake in Hong Kong under the plan of the Development of Anderson Road Quarry Site and establishing the first river park in Hong Kong in the Tung Chung New Town Extension, how these two projects apply the concept of sponge city, and of their latest work progress and completion dates?

Question 17
(For written reply)

(Translation)

Coping with the surge in demand for public hospital services

Prof Hon Joseph LEE to ask:

The Government announced on 29 January last year that it had earmarked an allocation of \$500 million for the Hospital Authority (“HA”) to assist HA in meeting the additional expenditure to be incurred in coping with the winter surge of influenza. In this connection, will the Government inform this Council:

- (1) whether it knows how the allocation has been used so far; in respect of each targeted measure, (i) the amount of expenditure incurred so far and (ii) the additional manpower provided (broken down by grade), with a breakdown by (a) hospital cluster, (b) public hospital and (c) department;
- (2) whether it knows if HA has assessed the effectiveness of the various targeted measures; if HA has, of the outcome; whether HA has consulted healthcare professionals on the effectiveness of the various targeted measures; if HA has, of the outcome; if not, the reasons for that;
- (3) whether it knows the average value of the following service figures of each public hospital each month from November each year to January of the following year in respect of the past three financial years: (i) the waiting time for patients of the various triage categories in the accident and emergency departments, (ii) the waiting time for such patients to be admitted to wards, (iii) the inpatient bed occupancy rates of the various departments, (iv) the respective numbers of temporary beds used by the various departments and their percentages in the total numbers of beds, and (v) the nurse-to-patient ratios; and
- (4) whether the Government will, in order to cope with the rising demand for hospital services due to surges of influenza, allocate additional resources to HA for (i) increasing the amount of special honorarium, (ii) extending the scope of the Special Honorarium Scheme, (iii) lowering the threshold for providing allowances under the Continuous Night Shift Scheme, and (iv) recruiting part-time nurses in advance, so as to ensure that there is sufficient manpower to cope with the service demand; if so, of the details; if not, the reasons for that?

Question 18
(For written reply)

(Translation)

Improving Mandatory Provident Fund schemes

Hon Kenneth LEUNG to ask:

On improving Mandatory Provident Fund (“MPF”) schemes, will the Government inform this Council whether it has plans to: (i) require trustees to offer, as investment choices for all of the MPF schemes managed by them, equity funds that track the performance of global equity indices and funds that track global bond indices, (ii) enact legislation to provide that the expense ratios of index funds must not be higher than 0.2%, (iii) enact legislation to stipulate the caps on the expense ratios of various funds, and to lower such caps year after year, and (iv) require trustees to remove funds with unsatisfactory performance (e.g. persistently having rates of return lower than the relevant benchmarks by 5% or more for the past five years) from their MPF schemes; if so, of the details; if not, the reasons for that?

Question 19
(For written reply)

(Translation)

Trading funds

Hon Dennis KWOK to ask:

The Court of Final Appeal has pointed out, in a judgment on a judicial review case concerning the Office of the Communications Authority Trading Fund (“OFCATF”) handed down on 27 December 2017, that the objectives for the establishment of a trading fund under the Trading Funds Ordinance (Cap. 430) are directed to self-funding from income generated by the trading fund. As such, the authorities erred by wrongly construing Cap. 430 as permitting the inclusion in OFCATF’s budgets projections for notional tax or dividends to be treated as surplus funds to be transferred to the general revenue. Moreover, as the Telecommunications Ordinance (Cap. 106) does not authorize recovery in excess of cost by the authorities, any incidental profits made in OFCATF’s operation cannot be a “distributable profit” transferable into the general revenue under Cap. 430. With effect from the date on which the judgment was handed down, the five trading funds established by the Government under Cap. 430 (namely OFCATF, the Companies Registry Trading Fund, the Electrical and Mechanical Services Trading Fund, the Land Registry Trading Fund and the Post Office Trading Fund) are no longer required to pay notional profits tax and dividends to the Government. In this connection, will the Government inform this Council:

- (1) of the reasonable rate of return on the fixed assets as determined by the Financial Secretary (“FS”) for each of the trading funds in each of the past three financial years;
- (2) whether, in the light of the aforesaid judgement, (i) FS has adjusted the reasonable rates of return that he has determined for the various trading funds, and (ii) the relevant fees and operational arrangements of the various trading funds have been adjusted; if so, of the details; if not, the reasons for that; and
- (3) whether it will consider ploughing the proceeds received as notional profits tax and dividends from the various trading funds before 27 December 2017, together with interests, back to the respective trading funds; if so, of the timetable and the amounts involved; if not, the reasons for that?

Question 20
(For written reply)

(Translation)

Facilitating the application of information systems and
development of autonomous vehicles

Hon Charles Peter MOK to ask:

It is learnt that the mainstream design of new-generation telematics is to connect smart devices and cloud platforms through radio waves for drivers to access driving information, communicate and browse the Internet for information, as well as to provide features that help enhance driving safety and efficiency. However, the existing legislation imposes stringent restrictions on the contents of the information or the view given by a visual display unit visible to the driver whilst in the driver's seat ("visual display unit"). As such, it is required to disable some features of new-generation telematics and even remove some accessories from them prior to vehicle registration. On the other hand, the Government indicated in April last year that the Policy Innovation and Co-ordination Office ("PICO") would review the Road Traffic Ordinance (Cap. 374) and relevant subsidiary legislation to see whether the relevant legislation was capable of supporting the development and application of autonomous vehicles and telematics. In this connection, will the Government inform this Council:

- (1) of the progress of the review of Cap. 374 and relevant subsidiary legislation conducted by PICO as well as the outcome so far;
- (2) given that the new-generation telematics operable in an interactive mode have gradually become mainstream and standard devices for vehicles and are widely used in other places, whether the authorities will, in the light of technological advancement, amend the Road Traffic (Construction and Maintenance of Vehicles) Regulations (Cap. 374A) to the effect that all of the features of such type of systems are permitted to be used in Hong Kong; if so, of the details; if not, the reasons for that;
- (3) whether it will consider, before all of the features of new-generation telematics are permitted to be used in Hong Kong, amending section 37 of Cap. 374A to impose different requirements on the respective applicable features of telematics when a vehicle is moving or parked, to the effect that telematics with the following features are permitted to be installed in vehicles: display of restricted information (e.g. television programmes and stored visual images which are not for the purpose of navigating the vehicle) for viewing by the driver whilst in the driver's seat when the vehicle is parked; and

- (4) of the expected date on which the legislation will be amended to allow the application of autonomous driving technology (e.g. the automated car-hailing feature) in Hong Kong?

Question 21
(For written reply)

(Translation)

Tso/Tong lands

Hon Tony TSE to ask:

Tso/Tong lands (commonly known as “ancestral land”) in general refer to the village lands in the New Territories which are collectively owned by traditional organizations (e.g. families or Tongs) and not by individual persons. It is learnt that as the criteria for the sale of Tso/Tong lands are rather stringent, including the requirement that the registered manager of the Tso/Tong concerned must obtain the consent issued by the District Officer (“DO”) of the relevant district on behalf of the Secretary for Home Affairs, and the DO will issue such consent only when there is unanimous consent of all the stakeholders, coupled with the problem that different villages act according to their own customs, the overall planning and development of Tso/Tong lands and the lands in their vicinity have been restrained. It has been reported that the Heung Yee Kuk and the Home Affairs Department formed a working group last year to study ways to facilitate the sale and development of Tso/Tong lands, so as to promote the development of the New Territories and increase the overall supply of land in Hong Kong for development. In this connection, will the Government inform this Council:

- (1) of the existing number and area of Tso/Tong lands across the territory, together with a breakdown by the district in which such lands are situated;
- (2) whether it knows the number, area and post-sale uses of the Tso/Tong lands sold in the past five years; and
- (3) of the study progress of the aforesaid working group and its concrete recommendations on facilitating the sale and development of Tso/Tong lands?

Question 22
(For written reply)

(Translation)

Non-skilled workers engaged by government service contractors

Hon CHU Hoi-dick to ask:

The Chief Executive indicated in the Policy Address delivered on 10 October 2018 that the Government would introduce the following measures (“the new measures”) which sought to enhance the protection of the employment terms and conditions as well as labour benefits of non-skilled workers engaged under government service contracts that relied heavily on the engagement of non-skilled workers (“contracts”): (A) a worker with no less than one year’s continuous service under a Standard Employment Contract of the contract would be entitled to a contractual gratuity being 6% of the total wages earned, (B) a worker with no less than one month’s service would be entitled to statutory holiday pay, and (C) a worker who works when Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 8 or above is in force would be entitled to no less than 1.5 times of the wages. Such measures would be applicable to contracts tendered from 1 April 2019 onwards. As for contracts at the tendering stage or already awarded during the period between the day on which the relevant measures were announced in the aforesaid Policy Address and 31 March 2019, transitional arrangements would be put in place by the Government: the new terms would be incorporated into the relevant contracts having regard to the actual circumstances to enable the workers concerned to benefit from the measures, and the Government would provide service contractors (“the contractors”) with top-up payments in this regard. In this connection, will the Government inform this Council:

- (1) of the number of cleansing and security service contracts, as at 31 December 2019, which were signed between the four major procuring government departments (i.e. (i) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department, (ii) Leisure and Cultural Services Department, (iii) Government Property Agency, and (iv) Housing Department) and the contractors which were still valid, and set out in Table 1 a breakdown by the financial year into which the tender invitation dates fell (i.e. (a) 2018-2019 or before, and (b) 2019-2020 or after);

Table 1

Financial year	Cleansing service					Security service					Total
	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	Sub-total	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	Sub-total	
(a)											
(b)											
Total											

- (2) whether it knows the number of non-skilled workers engaged by the contractors to fulfil their contracts mentioned in (1) (set out in a table of the same format as Table 1);
- (3) whether it knows, among the contracts mentioned in (1)(a), the number of those to which the transitional arrangements are not applicable, and set out in Table 2 a breakdown by the financial year into which the expiry dates of the relevant contracts fell/will fall (i.e. (a) 2019-2020, (b) 2020-2021, (c) 2021-2022, and (d) 2022-2023 or after) and the government departments awarding the contracts;

Table 2

Financial year	Cleansing service					Security service					Total
	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	Sub-total	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	Sub-total	
(a)											
(b)											
(c)											
(d)											
Total											

- (4) whether it knows the number of non-skilled workers engaged by the contractors to fulfil their contracts mentioned in (3) (set out in a table of the same format as Table 2);
- (5) whether it knows the respective to-date numbers of cleansing and security service workers who were granted benefits relating to the new measures under the transitional arrangements (set out in Table 3 by the aforesaid four government departments);

Table 3

Measures	Cleansing service					Security service					Total
	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	Sub-total	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	Sub-total	
(A)											
(B)											
(C)											

- (6) of the respective total amounts of top-up payment made under the transitional arrangements to the contractors by the aforesaid four government departments in respect of each of the new measures (set out in a table of the same format as Table 3); and
- (7) whether it has reviewed the effectiveness of the implementation of the new measures and the transitional arrangements in improving the employment terms and conditions as well as labour benefits of non-skilled workers; if so, of the criteria adopted for and the outcome of the review; if not, whether it will conduct such a review, as well as the relevant timetable?

**Motion under
the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382)
to be moved by Hon LAM Cheuk-ting**

Wording of the Motion

That this Council appoints a select committee to inquire into the Police's responsibilities in the incident of armed attacks on members of the public that happened between late night of 21 July 2019 and the early hours of the following day in Yuen Long Station of West Rail Line of the MTR Corporation Limited and the vicinity, including: the reasons why the Police did not prevent the attacks from happening, stop the attacks from continuing and arrest the assailants on the spot; whether the Police deliberately condoned the indiscriminate armed attacks on members of the public by the people concerned who were among them alleged members of triad societies; whether and how the non-action and/or delayed action of law enforcement by the Police would put public safety at risk, and whether this would enable the offenders to escape justice, and all other related matters; and that in the performance of its duties the committee be authorized under section 9(2) of the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382) to exercise the powers conferred by section 9(1) of that Ordinance.

**Motion under
the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382)
to be moved by Hon Claudia MO**

Wording of the Motion

That this Council appoints a select committee to inquire into:

- (1) the incident of white-clad men attacking civilians indiscriminately in Yuen Long Station of West Rail Line of the MTR Corporation Limited (“MTRCL”) on 21 July 2019, and the action and inaction of the Hong Kong Police Force in this incident, including but not limited to the following issues: the Police’s prior risk assessment of the triad activity in that area; the Police’s operation and its manpower deployment that night; police officers leaving the scene when white-clad assaulters attacked civilians and arriving at the scene after white-clad assaulters had left; people being unable to get through the hotline of 999 Control Centre for a long time; shutting down of nearby police stations; whether the Police’s lack of investigation into or arrest of the white-clad men carrying metal poles and cleavers who were gathering in large number near the crime scene after the attack that night, constituted the offences of serious dereliction of duty, violation of the Police General Orders and collusion with the triad society in planning and executing the above plan of attacking civilians, and other related matters;
- (2) the incident of police officers attacking civilians indiscriminately in Prince Edward Station of MTRCL on 31 August 2019, and the details on the handling of the injured by the Hong Kong Police Force, the Fire Services Department and the Hospital Authority, including but not limited to the discrepancy between the initial count and the number of injured people who eventually needed to be handled; the Police disallowing paramedics to go inside the station to render first aid to the injured; a delay of 2.5 hours before the injured were sent to the hospital for treatment; reasons for the closure of Prince Edward Station and Mong Kok Station of MTRCL for two days after the incident; and whether there was a delay in providing treatment to the injured and a concealment of casualties inside the Prince Edward Station of MTRCL, and other related matters;
- (3) the role of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government in the above two incidents; and
- (4) other related matters;

and that in the performance of its duties the committee be authorized under section 9(2) of the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382) to exercise the powers conferred by section 9(1) of that Ordinance.

**Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of
the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China
to be moved by Hon Alvin YEUNG**

Wording of the Motion

That, pursuant to Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China, this Council summons the Commissioner of Police, Director of Fire Services, Chairman of the MTR Corporation Limited ("MTRCL") and Operations Director of MTRCL to attend before the Council at its earliest meeting after the passage of this motion to produce all relevant papers, books, incident logs, voice communication records, textual communication logs, closed-circuit television footage, footage captured by the Police during the operation, duty logs of police officers, inventory records of police equipment, duty logs of fire personnel, inventory records of fire services equipment and other relevant documents and to testify or give evidence on the law enforcement operation conducted by the Police inside Prince Edward Station of MTRCL and the compartments of a train at the station on 31 August 2019, the casualties caused by the operation, the relevant rescue operation of the Fire Services Department, and other related matters.

**Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of
the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China
to be moved by Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki**

Wording of the Motion

That, pursuant to Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China, this Council summons the Commissioner of Police, Director of Fire Services, Assistant Director (Ambulance) of the Fire Services Department, Chief Executive of the Hospital Authority, Hospital Chief Executive of Kwong Wah Hospital and Hospital Chief Executive of Princess Margaret Hospital to attend before the Council at its earliest meeting after the passage of this motion to produce all relevant papers, books, records or documents and to testify or give evidence on the incident of assaults in Prince Edward Station of the MTR Corporation Limited on 31 August 2019 regarding the sequence of events on sending the injured persons from Prince Edward Station to the above two hospitals, personnel arrangements, conditions of the injured persons and the progress of their medical treatment and recovery.

**Motion under
the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382)
to be moved by Hon KWONG Chun-yu**

Wording of the Motion

That this Council appoints a select committee to inquire into the incident of the Police assaulting and arresting members of the public in Prince Edward Station of the MTR Corporation Limited from the night of 31 August to the early hours of 1 September 2019 and the delay allegedly caused by the Police in rescuing the injured, and other related matters; and that in the performance of its duties the committee be authorized under section 9(2) of the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382) to exercise the powers conferred by section 9(1) of that Ordinance.

**Motion under
the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382)
to be moved by Hon Tanya CHAN**

Wording of the Motion

That this Council appoints a select committee to inquire into the Police's abuse of power against and mistreatment of protesters of the "anti-extradition to China" movement who were arrested and held in custody at San Uk Ling Holding Centre since 5 August 2019, including subjecting them to physical violence, denying their access to legal assistance, and other related matters; and that in the performance of its duties the committee be authorized under section 9(2) of the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382) to exercise the powers conferred by section 9(1) of that Ordinance.

**Motion under
the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382)
to be moved by Hon Tanya CHAN**

Wording of the Motion

That this Council appoints a select committee to inquire into the Police's alleged use of sexual violence against protesters of the "anti-extradition to China" movement since 9 June 2019 and other related matters; and that in the performance of its duties the committee be authorized under section 9(2) of the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382) to exercise the powers conferred by section 9(1) of that Ordinance.

**Motion under
the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382)
to be moved by Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki**

Wording of the Motion

That this Council appoints a select committee to inquire into the incidents of the Police allegedly obstructing fire services and rescue work, and arresting, attacking and obstructing first-aiders performing rescue work at the scene of public activities during the “anti-extradition to China” movement since 9 June 2019, and other related matters; and that in the performance of its duties the committee be authorized under section 9(2) of the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382) to exercise the powers conferred by section 9(1) of that Ordinance.

**Motion under
the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382)
to be moved by Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki**

Wording of the Motion

That this Council appoints a select committee to inquire into the Police's alleged physical and verbal abuse of and groundless accusations against media workers such as snatching arrested persons during the "anti-extradition to China" movement since 9 June 2019, and other related matters; and that in the performance of its duties the committee be authorized under section 9(2) of the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382) to exercise the powers conferred by section 9(1) of that Ordinance.

**Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of
the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China
to be moved by Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG**

Wording of the Motion

That, pursuant to Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China, this Council summons the Secretary for Security, and the Secretary for Labour and Welfare to attend before the Council at its earliest meeting after the passage of this motion to produce all relevant papers, books, records or documents and to testify or give evidence on whether the children who have been arrested or detained during the "anti-extradition to China" movement are under the protection of the Convention on the Rights of the Child and the relevant provisions of the Police General Orders, including but not limited to the following: the best interests of the child shall be a primary consideration in all actions concerning children; a child shall not be separated from his/her parents against their will; and the human rights of every child accused of or recognized as having committed an offence shall be recognized.

**Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of
the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China
to be moved by Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki**

Wording of the Motion

That, pursuant to Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China, this Council summons the Secretary for Security and Commissioner of Police to attend before the Council at its earliest meeting after the passage of this motion to produce all relevant papers, books, records or documents and to testify or give evidence on the Police's use of live ammunition and subsequent review during the "anti-extradition to China" movement since 9 June 2019, including but not limited to the Police's guidelines and standards for the use of live ammunition, relevant training records of the police officers who used live ammunition during the aforesaid movement, contents of the subsequent reviews on incidents of use of live ammunition, and psychological and emotional conditions of the police officers concerned.

**Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of
the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China
to be moved by Hon Kenneth LEUNG**

Wording of the Motion

That, pursuant to Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China, this Council summons the Commissioner of Police to attend before the Council at its earliest meeting after the passage of this motion to produce all relevant papers, books, records or documents and to testify or give evidence on: (i) the composition of tear gas rounds and tear gas grenades used in Hong Kong; (ii) the byproducts generated from those tear gas rounds and tear gas grenades used from June to November 2019, including but not limited to heat, particles, toxic and harmful compounds; (iii) the quantities of the byproducts generated from those tear gas rounds and tear gas grenades; and (iv) the toxicity of those byproducts and its potential impact on human body.

**Motion under
the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382)
to be moved by Hon CHUNG Kwok-pan**

Wording of the Motion

That this Council appoints a select committee to conduct a comprehensive investigation into the social conflicts arising from the Fugitive Offenders and Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters Legislation (Amendment) Bill 2019, including the impact of the conflicts on the livelihood and economy of Hong Kong and other relevant matters, with a view to responding to demands from society, and that in the performance of its duties the committee be authorized under section 9(2) of the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382) to exercise the powers conferred by section 9(1) of that Ordinance.

**Motion under
the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382)
to be moved by Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG**

Wording of the Motion

That, since June 2019, the demonstrations and civil disturbances arising from the Fugitive Offenders and Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters Legislation (Amendment) Bill 2019 have been getting more rampant, resulting in the rule of law, public order, livelihood and economy of Hong Kong being severely affected, and as violent incidents continue to escalate, and most Hong Kong residents hope that the society can return to normal as soon as possible, this Council appoints a select committee to inquire into the causes and consequences of the above civil disturbances, whether there is any interference of the external force, the sources of funding and resources for various large-scale demonstrations and civil disturbances, as well as to identify the deep-rooted conflicts which led to the civil disturbances, and to make recommendations on ways for social reconciliation; and that in the performance of its duties the committee be authorized under section 9(2) of the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382) to exercise the powers conferred by section 9(1) of that Ordinance.

**Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of
the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China
to be moved by Hon Charles Peter MOK**

Wording of the Motion

That, pursuant to Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China, this Council summons the Secretary for Security and Commissioner of Police to attend before the Council at its earliest meeting after the passage of this motion to produce all relevant papers, books, records or documents and to testify or give evidence on: (i) whether the operation of the Hong Kong Police Force has been interfered with; (ii) the execution of the "Arrangements on the Reciprocal Notification Mechanism between the Mainland and the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Relating to Situations Including the Imposition of Criminal Compulsory Measures or the Institution of Criminal Prosecution"; (iii) outside the mechanism, the details of the cases involving arrests, detentions or imprisonment of Hong Kong residents on the Mainland, of which the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government is aware, and its follow-up actions taken; and (iv) other relevant matters since June 2019.

**Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of
the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China
to be moved by Hon Jeremy TAM**

Wording of the Motion

That, pursuant to Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China, this Council summons the Secretary for Security and Secretary for Transport and Housing to attend before the Council at its earliest meeting after the passage of this motion to, in respect of the "separate locations" mode of clearance arrangement as stipulated in the Inter-Governmental Agreement in respect of the Construction, Operation, Maintenance and Management of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge ("HZMB"), produce all papers, books, records or documents (including but not limited to the relevant minutes of meetings of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Authority) and to testify or give evidence in relation to the following matters:

- (i) security checks agreed among the governments of Hong Kong, Zhuhai and Macao that Hong Kong residents travelling to Zhuhai/Macao via HZMB are required to undergo at the relevant immigration control points and any checkpoint set up temporarily, including but not limited to photo-taking, inspecting their belongings and checking their Mainland Travel Permits for Hong Kong and Macao Residents (generally referred to as "Home Visit Permits"), etc;
- (ii) cases known to the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region ("HKSAR") Government of Hong Kong residents being arrested or repatriated at the relevant immigration control points and any checkpoint set up temporarily while travelling to Zhuhai/Macao via HZMB;
- (iii) internal studies and reviews conducted by the HKSAR Government on the "separate locations" mode of clearance arrangement and the views on their results conveyed to the relevant authorities in Zhuhai/Macao;
- (iv) the notification mechanism among the relevant authorities in Hong Kong, Zhuhai and Macao for any new immigration clearance arrangement under the "separate locations" mode; and
- (v) other related matters.

(Translation)

**Motion on
“No confidence in the Fifth Term Government
of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region”
to be moved by Hon Dennis KWOK**

Wording of the Motion

That this Council has no confidence in the Fifth Term Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region.

(Translation)

**Motion on
“Ensuring children’s right to play
for them to grow up happily”
to be moved by Hon HO Kai-ming**

Wording of the Motion

That, children in Hong Kong have long schooling time and heavy homework load, and lack time for leisure, play and even rest; coupled with the fact that the living environment (especially in sub-divided units) in Hong Kong is so cramped that children often do not have sufficient space for activities, not to mention space for playing; at present, public playgrounds for children are unevenly distributed among districts, channels for community participation in the design process are inadequate, play equipment is insufficient and designs are identical with no elements to stimulate the healthy growth of children; moreover, inclusive play equipment has failed to meet the needs of children with disabilities, and play equipment and services for in-patient children are also in acute shortage; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to formulate measures to ensure that local children can enjoy the rights stated in Article 31 of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, including the right to rest and leisure, and to engage in play and recreational activities appropriate to the age of the child, and at the same time improve the software and hardware of children’s play equipment, so that children can obtain more diversified recreational experience, enjoy leisure and grow up happily; specific measures include:

- (1) urging the Commission on Children to conduct studies on ensuring children’s entitlement to the right to play and draw up criteria for the construction of children’s play equipment, such as play equipment should embody the elements of variety, flexibility, inclusiveness and holistic and healthy development of children, and to make amendment proposals on the relevant laws and regulatory measures based on the findings of the studies;
- (2) revising the Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines to raise the standard for provision of children’s playgrounds;
- (3) requiring private housing courts to provide suitable children’s play equipment through various means, including imposing land sale conditions, and providing financial assistance and technical support for

owners or owners' corporations of private housing courts and Tenants Purchase Scheme to provide additional and upgrade children's play equipment in housing courts or estates;

- (4) identifying suitable sites in public housing and private developments for constructing children's playgrounds, and providing at least one inclusive playground in each district for children with or without disabilities to play together;
- (5) setting up additional children playrooms under the Leisure and Cultural Services Department in various districts and improving the equipment of existing playrooms, including setting up specifically designed playrooms for infants and pre-school children to provide more public play area for parents and children;
- (6) setting up additional toys libraries in various districts to enable children of all ages and from different strata to have equal rights and opportunities to access to toys;
- (7) increasing the number of child care centres and subsidized child care service places, so that young children can receive care and enjoy free playtime in a safe and healthy environment;
- (8) urging the Hospital Authority to provide sufficient play equipment and services for sick children;
- (9) reviewing the frequency of internal tests and examinations and homework load of primary and secondary schools in Hong Kong, so that children will not have less time for rest and play due to excessive homework and tests and examinations, thereby promoting their balanced development;
- (10) stepping up the development of game-based education and collaboration with non-governmental organizations to provide games and organize outdoor activities within and outside schools, as well as organize more outdoor activities during holidays; at the same time, providing appropriate subsidies for grass-roots children to ensure that they enjoy equal rights to participate in games and activities;
- (11) providing training on game-based education for teachers and parents, and promoting to them the benefits and importance of play to children, with a view to reversing the social atmosphere of pursuing examination success and catching up with the curricula, so that teachers and parents can attach more importance to children's right to play; and

- (12) expeditiously reviewing the outdated holiday policy to align statutory holidays with general holidays to 17 days, so that all employees in Hong Kong can enjoy the same number of holidays, thereby increasing their family time and playtime with children.