(Translation)

Hon CHAN Han-pan's motion on "Comprehensively reviewing and improving Hong Kong's dental service system and manpower needs"

Wording of the Motion

That there is a strong demand for public dental services among members of the public in Hong Kong, but due to an acute shortage of the relevant manpower, the dental health of the public is not duly protected, thus affecting their quality of life, most especially in the case of the elderly; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously formulate a '10-year development strategy for dental services', in a bid to comprehensively review and improve Hong Kong's dental service system and human resources support, and formulate short-, medium- and long-term development measures, with a view to fully developing public dental services and establishing a safety net for the provision of basic dental care services, thereby properly taking care of the dental health of the general public.