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Question:

Upon completion of the conversion of aqua privies (APs) into flushing toilets—phase 4, are there any aqua privies which have not yet been converted into flushing toilets? If so, please advise on their locations and the conversion plans, if any.

Asked by: Hon. LAU Chin-shek

Reply:

Subject to funding approval, FEHD will complete phase 4 of the AP conversion programme in late 2008, by which time a total of about 150 APs will have been upgraded to flushing toilets. By then, there will still be 369 APs in nine districts yet to be converted into flushing toilets. Distribution of these APs are as follows –

<u>District</u>	No. of APs
Islands	29
Kwai Tsing	6
Sha Tin	5
Sai Kung	43
Tuen Mun	30
Tai Po	33
Tsuen Wan	14
Yuen Long	112
North	97

FEHD continues to review the need and timing for converting more APs into flushing toilets. The Department is working on plans to convert 50 more APs into flushing toilets after completion of phase 4.

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