Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2011-12

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Question:

- (a) How many rodent infestation complaints have been received over the past year?
- (b) It is stated by the Department that a total of 45 036 rodent trappings were conducted in 2010. Please advise on the number of rodents trapped and provide the respective figures for each of the 18 districts in the territory.
- (c) Are there any exchanges of experience and best practice between members of the in-house rodent control teams and rodent control experts in the Mainland and overseas over the past year?

Asked by: Hon. LEUNG Mei-fun, Priscilla

Reply:

The information sought is provided as follows -

- (a) The number of complaints against rodent infestation in 2010 is 7 371.
- (b) The numbers of rodents trapped in the 18 districts in 2010 are as follows –

District	No. of rodent trapped
Central & Western	815
Eastern	475
Southern	200
Wanchai	1 215
Islands	332
Kowloon City	485
Kwun Tong	175
Wong Tai Sin	405

Sham Shui Po	344
Yau Tsim Mong	2 964
Sai Kung	171
Sha Tin	764
Tai Po	416
North	486
Kwai Tsing	238
Tsuen Wan	728
Tuen Mun	565
Yuen Long	968
Total	11 746

(c) Last year, the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department had exchanged experience in rodent control with authorities and experts in the Mainland and overseas.

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