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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

(Question Serial No. 3715)

<u>Head</u>: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

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<u>Programme</u>: (2) Environmental Hygiene and Related Services

<u>Controlling Officer</u>: Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene (Miss Vivian LAU)

<u>Director of Bureau</u>: Secretary for Food and Health

<u>This question originates from:</u> Estimates on Expenditure Volume I Page 250 (if applicable)

Question (Member Question No. 216):

Regarding unauthorised deposit of refuse on streets, please advise on the number of complaint cases received, warnings issued and prosecutions instituted by the Department in the past three years, with a breakdown by 18 administrative districts.

Asked by: Hon. CHAN Ka-lok, Kenneth

Reply:

When unauthorised deposit of refuse in public places is witnessed, authorised officers of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (the Department) will issue \$1,500 Fixed Penalty Notices (Notices) under the Fixed Penalty (Public Cleanliness Offences) Ordinance, Cap. 570 against the offenders or institute prosecution under the Public Cleansing and Prevention of Nuisances Regulation, Cap. 132BK without giving warnings. Information on the number of complaint cases on refuse and unhygienic conditions in public places and enforcement actions against unauthorised deposit of refuse taken by the Department in the 18 administrative districts in 2011, 2012 and 2013 is given at Annex. The Department does not keep separate statistics on the number of complaint cases on deposit of refuse on streets.

Information on the number of complaint cases on refuse and unhygienic conditions in public places and enforcement actions against unauthorised deposit of refuse

District	2011				2012		2013			
	No. of complaints received	No. of Notices issued	No. of prosecutions taken	No. of complaints received	No. of Notices issued	No. of prosecutions taken	No. of complaints received	No. of Notices issued	No. of prosecutions taken	
Eastern	2 326	1 142	11	2 447	1 277	15	2 673	1 479	8	
Wanchai	2 665	3 546	5	3 207	3 001	1	3 107	2 914	9	
Central & Western	3 913	2 638	9	4 127	2 741	6	4 300	3 183	1	
Southern	973	309	51	958	403	57	1 134	373	59	
Islands	634	486	0	809	622	2	1 049	780	0	
Kowloon City	2 334	1 129	9	1 972	1 239	64	910	1 059	29	
Kwun Tong	1 457	1 860	38	1 691	1 602	45	2 024	1 845	37	
Sham Shui Po	2 420	1 307	13	2 855	1 165	15	2 845	959	7	
Wong Tai Sin	929	878	0	986	760	0	1 190	722	0	
Yau Tsim Mong	4 026	5 324	55	3 798	6 393	63	4 050	4 861	42	
Tai Po	1 656	894	20	2 008	975	54	1 856	925	66	
North	1 261	1 395	7	1 599	1 458	7	1 480	1 492	20	
Yuen Long	2 972	2 896	67	2 861	2 508	22	3 296	2 679	26	
Tuen Mun	1 523	1 255	15	1 494	1 345	12	1 302	1 277	7	

Sai Kung	1 467	744	17	1 616	841	22	1 687	844	150
Sha Tin	785	1 828	45	981	1 948	34	845	1 850	25
Kwai Tsing	1 691	1 613	9	1 760	2 001	1	1 458	2 320	4
Tsuen Wan	1 629	1 220	42	1 704	1 003	27	2 161	987	9
Total	34 661	30 464	413	36 873	31 282	447	37 367	30 549	499