

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

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Programme: (3) Market Management and Hawker Control

Controlling Officer: Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene (Miss Vivian LAU)

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Question:

Regarding the reconstruction and relocation of the hawker stalls in 43 fixed-pitch hawker areas in the territory in order to expedite the work in reducing fire risks and the “Assistance Scheme for Hawkers in Fixed-pitch Hawker Areas”, please provide information on the following:

- (1) the number of cabinet-type stalls and Hawker Permitted Place stalls in each of the 43 fixed-pitch hawker areas;
- (2) the latest situation of the fixed-pitch hawker areas: i.e. the number of stalls relocated and reconstructed, stalls reconstructed in-situ, hawker licences surrendered and stalls yet to be dealt with, with a breakdown by fixed-pitch hawker area; and
- (3) the number of applications received under the five-year “Assistance Scheme for Hawkers in Fixed-pitch Hawker Areas” and the amount of funding involved each year since the implementation of the Scheme, the number of applications being processed and the amount of funding involved, and the funding still available for application under the Scheme.

Asked by: Hon CHAN Ka-lok, Kenneth (Member Question No. 311)

Reply:

The information sought for (1)-(3) is provided at Annexes 1-3. The amount of funding still available for application under the Assistance Scheme for Hawkers in Fixed-pitch Hawker Areas (the Scheme) is \$141.3 million.

Licensed Hawkers Operating in the 43 Fixed-pitch Hawker Areas before and after the Implementation of the Scheme

District	Location of hawker areas	Before the implementation of the assistance scheme for hawker licensees			After the implementation of the assistance scheme for hawker licensees# (as at 28.2.2015)			
		Cabinet -type	HPP-type@	Total	Cabinet -type	HPP-type@	Total	
Eastern	Chun Yeung Street	93	0	93	84	0	84	
	Marble Street	124	0	124	95	0	95	
	Kam Wa Street	20	91	111	19	79	98	
	Tai Tak Street	26	2	28	19	1	20	
	Mong Lung Street	4	17	21	3	12	15	
	Sub-total		267	110	377	220	92	312
Central & Western	Pottinger Street	47	0	47	42	0	42	
	Graham Street	35	20	55	31	17	48	
	Gage Street	15	0	15	11	0	11	
	Li Yuen Street East	63	0	63	58	0	58	
	Li Yuen Street West	58	0	58	53	0	53	
	Peel Street	36	7	43	29	4	33	
	Wing Kut Street	32	2	34	30	2	32	
	Upper Lascar Row	13	0	13	12	0	12	
	Man Wa Lane	32	0	32	32	0	32	
	Sub-total		331	29	360	298	23	321
	Wan Chai	Gresson Street	46	5	51	40	4	44
Cross Street		60	11	71	60	10	70	
Tai Yuen Street		5	71	76	5	71	76	
Jardine's Crescent		162	0	162	157	0	157	
Sub-total			273	87	360	262	85	347
Yau Tsim	Reclamation Street	189	44	233	156	34	190	
	Pak Hoi Street	7	9	16	7	6	13	
	Saigon Street	19	0	19	18	0	18	

	Canton Road	32	4	36	18	2	20
	Bowring Street	100	0	100	94	0	94
	Temple Street	34	289	323	33	281	314
	Sub-total	381	346	727	326	323	649
Mongkok	Tung Choi Street	0	698	698	0	662	662
	Canton Road	317	0	317	286	0	286
	Fife Street	29	0	29	28	0	28
	Yin Chong Street	78	0	78	71	0	71
	Ki Lung Street	20	0	20	11	0	11
	Poplar Street	12	0	12	7	0	7
	Fa Yuen Street	220	0	220	220	0	220
	Nelson Street	0	63	63	0	54	54
	Sub-total	676	761	1 437	623	716	1 339
Sham Shui Po	Wing Lung Street	5	66	71	5	49	54
	Fat Tseung Street	27	20	47	23	15	38
	Cheung Fat Street	54	11	65	39	9	48
	Fuk Wa Street	166	0	166	161	0	161
	Fuk Wing Street	0	40	40	0	39	39
	Pei Ho Street	124	30	154	120	30	150
	Apliu Street	179	42	221	169	42	211
	Ki Lung Street	39	96	135	38	93	131
	Tai Nan Street	2	61	63	2	61	63
	Kweilin Street	0	58	58	0	58	58
	Sub-total	596	424	1 020	557	396	953
Kowloon City	Pau Chung Street	54	0	54	51	0	51
	Sub-total	54	0	54	51	0	51
	Total	2 578	1 757	4 335	2 337	1 635	3 972

The figures have included six fixed-pitch hawkers relocated from other on-street pitches due to various reasons such as building redevelopment in the vicinity.

@ Hawker Permitted Place-type.

**Applications for Grants in respect of Relocation cum Reconstruction, In-situ Reconstruction
and Surrender of Hawker Licence for Ex-gratia Payment
(as at 28.2.2015)**

District	Location of hawker areas	Number of hawkers eligible	Number of applications for relocation cum reconstruction grant	Number of applications for relocation cum reconstruction grant approved#	Number of applications for in-situ reconstruction grant	Number of applications for in-situ reconstruction grant approved#	Number of applications for ex-gratia payment on surrender of hawker licence	Number of applications for ex-gratia payment on surrender of hawker licence approved	Number of hawkers who have yet to apply
		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h) = (a) - (b) - (d) - (f)
Eastern	Chun Yeung Street	93	5	2	4	0	10	9	74
	Marble Street	124	5	5	4	4	30	27	85
	Kam Wa Street	111	5	4	0	0	12	12	94
	Tai Tak Street	28	0	0	1	0	8	8	19
	Mong Lung Street	21	0	0	0	0	6	6	15
	Sub-total	377	15	11	9	4	66	62	287
Central & Western	Pottinger Street	47	1	0	5	2	6	4	35
	Graham Street	55	6	5	8	1	7	7	34
	Gage Street	15	0	0	8	1	4	4	3
	Li Yuen Street East	63	12	12	46	43	5	5	0
	Li Yuen	58	20	20	33	33	5	5	0

	Street West								
	Peel Street	43	2	1	8	1	12	10	21
	Wing Kut Street	34	6	6	4	1	1	1	23
	Upper Lascar Row	13	0	0	4	3	1	1	8
	Man Wa Lane	32	2	2	0	0	0	0	30
	Sub-total	360	49	46	116	85	41	37	154
Wan Chai	Gresson Street	51	0	0	3	0	8	8	40
	Cross Street	71	2	0	0	0	1	1	68
	Tai Yuen Street	76	2	2	2	1	0	0	72
	Jardine's Crescent	162	26	15	3	1	5	5	128
	Sub-total	360	30	17	8	2	14	14	308
Yau Tsim	Reclamation Street	233	19	1	8	0	43	43	163
	Pak Hoi Street	16	0	0	0	0	3	3	13
	Saigon Street	19	0	0	0	0	1	1	18
	Canton Road	36	1	1	0	0	17	17	18
	Bowring Street	100	7	6	9	5	7	6	77
	Temple Street	323	5	0	29	0	9	9	280
	Sub-total	727	32	8	46	5	80	79	569
Mongkok	Tung Choi Street	698	0	0	0	0	36	36	662
	Canton	317	21	0	21	1	32	32	243

	Road								
	Fife Street	29	2	1	5	0	6	6	16
	Yin Chong Street	78	6	0	1	0	7	7	64
	Ki Lung Street	20	2	1	1	1	11	11	6
	Poplar Street	12	1	1	0	0	5	5	6
	Fa Yuen Street	220	31	2	175	25	1	1	13
	Nelson Street	63	0	0	0	0	9	9	54
	Sub-total	1 437	63	5	203	27	107	107	1 064
Sham Shui Po	Wing Lung Street	71	1	1	2	1	18	18	50
	Fat Tseung Street	47	5	0	4	2	9	9	29
	Cheung Fat Street	65	3	2	1	1	17	17	44
	Fuk Wa Street	166	30	0	61	0	5	5	70
	Fuk Wing Street	40	7	2	7	1	1	1	25
	Pei Ho Street	154	12	1	8	0	4	4	130
	Apliu Street	221	52	16	147	47	9	9	13
	Ki Lung Street	135	7	2	46	14	4	4	78
	Tai Nan Street	63	9	0	35	2	0	0	19

	Kweilin Street	58	8	0	46	0	0	0	4
	Sub-total	1 020	134	24	357	68	67	67	462
Kowloon City	Pau Chung Street	54	7	7	12	11	3	3	32
	Sub-total	54	7	7	12	11	3	3	32
	Total	4 335	330	118	751	202	378	369	2 876

Approval for relocation or in-situ reconstruction grant is subject to compliance with all stall construction specifications and clearance of existing stall structure.

Applications for Grants Received and Amount of Funding Involved

Year	Number of applications received#	Amount of funding involved@ (\$)
2013/14 (3.6.2013- 31.3.2014)	492	43,569,000
2014/15 (1.4.2014- 28.2.2015)	967	45,155,000
Total	1 459	88,724,000

**Applications for Grants being Processed and
Amount of Funding Involved
(as at 28.2.2015)**

Number of applications being processed#	Amount of funding involved@ (\$)
770	31,580,000

The number represents the total number of applications for relocation cum reconstruction grants, in-situ reconstruction grants and ex-gratia payment on surrender of hawker licences.

@ For applications for reconstruction grants where applicants have not yet provided stall reconstruction quotations, the amount of funding involved is estimated to be the maximum grant for the respective category of pitch sizes.