

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**FHB(FE)134****(Question Serial No. 0403)**Head: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene DepartmentSubhead (No. & title): (-) Not SpecifiedProgramme: (3) Market Management and Hawker ControlControlling Officer: Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene (Miss Vivian LAU)Director of Bureau: Secretary for Food and HealthQuestion:

With regard to the enhancement of the viability of public markets, please provide information on the following:

- given that, at present, a support rate of 80% among tenants is needed for undertaking the retrofitting of air-conditioning in a public market, whether any questionnaire survey has been conducted in each of the non-air-conditioned public markets to gauge the extent of support from tenants for the retrofitting of air-conditioning; if yes, the results of such survey conducted in each of the participating public markets; if not, the reason(s); and
- the number of public markets which have reached the threshold of tenants' support at 80% for the retrofitting of air-conditioning, with a breakdown as per the table below:

Serial No.	Name Of Public Market	Support Rate for Retrofitting of Air-conditioning (%)	Estimated Commencement Date of the Air-conditioning Retrofitting Works	Estimated Completion Date of the Air-conditioning Retrofitting Works	Estimated Expenditure

Asked by: Hon KWOK Wai-keung (Member Question No. 7)

Reply:

- According to the established mechanism, when there is a request from market tenants for the retrofitting of air-conditioning facilities at a public market, the request will first be discussed at a meeting of the relevant Market Management Consultative Committee (MMCC). Where a consensus is reached by MMCC that the request should be further explored, the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) will conduct a questionnaire survey to gauge the extent of support from market tenants. Since 1 July 2015, the threshold of tenants' support to retrofitting of air-conditioning facilities in

public markets has been lowered from 85% to 80%. FEHD has completed the consultation with the MMCCs of those FEHD markets without air-conditioning. The MMCCs of 27 of these markets supported conducting a questionnaire survey to collect the tenants' views on the retrofitting of air-conditioning in the relevant public markets. The questionnaire surveys were subsequently conducted and completed. Out of the 27 public markets surveyed, 2 markets and 6 cooked food centres of the relevant markets attained sufficient tenant support. The results of questionnaire surveys are provided at the Annex. In addition, Shui Wo Street Market Cooked Food Centre (CFC), Tai Wai Market and Aberdeen Market cum CFC, on which questionnaire surveys were conducted before 1 July 2015, have also met the tenants' support threshold.

2. If there is sufficient tenant support, a technical feasibility study will be conducted. Taking into consideration factors such as the findings of the technical feasibility study, extent of works required, cost effectiveness, impact on business and market operation, and whether the implementation details are acceptable to the tenants concerned, the Government will decide whether there is a case for seeking funds to carry out the works for retrofitting air-conditioners. The technical feasibility study for Tai Wai Market has been completed. With regard to Shui Wo Street Market CFC, Aberdeen Market cum CFC and Ngau Tau Kok Market CFC, the preliminary feasibility assessment is underway. FEHD is now following up with the Architectural Services Department to conduct preliminary feasibility assessment for the other markets concerned. We are unable to provide the estimated commencement date, completion date or expenditure at the present stage. The other information sought is provided as follows.

Serial No.	Name of Public Market	Support Rate for Retrofitting of Air-conditioning (%)
1	Shui Wo Street Market CFC	100
2	Tai Wai Market	97.1
3	Aberdeen Market cum CFC	80.4
4	Ngau Tau Kok Market CFC	90
5	Shek Tong Tsui Market CFC	93.3
6	Quarry Bay Market CFC	100
7	Electric Road Market CFC	100
8	Fa Yuen Street Market CFC	80
9	Ngau Chi Wan Market CFC	100
10	Yeung Uk Road Market	81.7
11	Tsuen Wan Market	82.1

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Serial No.	Name of Public Market	Support Rate for Retrofitting of Air-conditioning (%)
1	Shek Tong Tsui Market	21.3
	Shek Tong Tsui Market CFC	93.3
2	Tin Wan Market	26.5
	Tin Wan Market CFC	30
3	Wong Nai Chung Market (Market only)	11.7
4	Bowrington Road Market (Market only)	44.2
5	Quarry Bay Market	30.6
	Quarry Bay Market CFC	100
6	Sai Wan Ho Market (Market only)	5.4
7	North Point Market	14.6
8	Java Road Market (Market only)	17.5
9	Kut Shing Street Cooked Food Market	18.2
10	Electric Road Market	7.9
	Electric Road Market CFC	100
11	Causeway Bay Market	2
12	Ngau Tau Kok Market CFC	90
13	Pei Ho Street Market (Market only)	12.3
14	Po On Road Market	19.2
	Po On Road Market CFC	73.7
15	Lai Wan Market	39
16	Cheung Sha Wan Cooked Food Market	75
17	Tung Chau Street Temporary Market	27.8
18	Fa Yuen Street Market	53.9
	Fa Yuen Street Market CFC	80
19	Tai Shing Street Market (Market only)	42.3
20	Ngau Chi Wan Market	53.1
	Ngau Chi Wan Market CFC	100
21	Sheung Fung Street Market	7.8
22	Tung Yick Market	76.5
23	Sai Kung Market	56.9
24	Tui Min Hoi Market	8.8
25	Wing Fong Street Market	47.5
26	Yeung Uk Road Market	81.7
27	Tsuen Wan Market	82.1

Remarks:

CFC – Cooked Food Centre

Market only – for the wet market portion only as the CFC portion has already been provided with air-conditioning.