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

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<u>Programme</u>: (3) Market Management and Hawker Control

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

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

Question:

The Government launched the Assistance Scheme for Hawkers in Fixed-pitch Hawker Areas in June 2013. One of the arrangements under the assistance scheme is to provide a one-off ex-gratia payment to hawkers operating in 43 fixed-pitch hawker areas who have opted for voluntary surrender of their hawker licences to the Government. The assistance scheme has been in place for four years since its launch and will expire in June 2018. Regarding its implementation, please advise on the respective numbers of applications received and approved so far by the Department for surrender of hawker licences, and set out the approved applications with a breakdown by (i) name of fixed-pitch hawker area and (ii) location of stall in the hawker area.

Asked by: Hon SHIU Ka-chun (Member Question No. (LegCo use): 54)

Reply:

The information sought in respect of the Assistance Scheme for Hawkers in Fixed-pitch Hawker Areas (the Hawker Assistance Scheme) is provided at Annex.

Number of Ex-gratia Payment Applications under the Hawker Assistance Scheme (as at 31.12.2017)

District	Location of Hawker Areas	Number of Ex-gratia Payment Applications	Number of applications approved
Eastern	Chun Yeung Street	19	19
	Marble Street	51	48
	Kam Wa Street	21	20
	Tai Tak Street	15	14
	Mong Lung Street	10	8
	Sub-total	116	109
Central and	Pottinger Street	7	7
Western	Graham Street	13	13
	Gage Street	4	4
	Li Yuen Street East	5	5
	Li Yuen Street West	5	5
	Peel Street	18	18
	Wing Kut Street	1	1
	Upper Lascar Row	1	1
	Man Wa Lane	1	1
	Sub-total	55	55
Wan Chai	Gresson Street	12	12
	Cross Street	2	2
	Tai Yuen Street	1	1
	Jardine's Crescent	25	25
	Sub-total	40	40
Yau Tsim	Reclamation Street	60	56
	Pak Hoi Street	3	3
	Saigon Street	5	4
	Canton Road	26	22
	Bowring Street	12	10
	Temple Street	72	58
	Sub-total	178	153
Mongkok	Tung Choi Street	165	153
	Canton Road	64	53
	Fife Street	15	14
	Yin Chong Street	13	12
	Ki Lung Street	16	13
	Poplar Street	8	7
	Fa Yuen Street	1	1
	Nelson Street	14	14
	Sub-total	296	267

District	Location of Hawker Areas	Number of Ex-gratia Payment Applications	Number of applications approved
Sham Shui	Wing Lung Street	33	31
Po	Fat Tseung Street	17	14
	Cheung Fat Street	23	23
	Fuk Wa Street	11	10
	Fuk Wing Street	1	1
	Pei Ho Street	7	7
	Apliu Street	12	12
	Ki Lung Street	7	7
	Tai Nan Street	1	1
	Kweilin Street	0	0
	Sub-total	112	106
Kowloon	Pau Chung Street	11	9
City	Sub-total	11	9
Total		808	739