## **Indicators for Specified Tasks under DEVB in 2023 Policy Address**

# (I) New Indicators

## **Housing**

- 41. Regarding the issue of sub-divided units (SDUs):
  - Amend the Waterworks Ordinance in 2024 to strengthen the law enforcement power of the Water Authority, with a view to improving the enforcement efficiency as well as increasing the deterrent effect, including that against the illegal act of overcharging for water in SDUs.

#### Land

- 45. Release the development potential of existing land:
  - Complete the re-examination of the planning, development model, as well as infrastructure and supporting transport facilities, of the some 20 hectares (ha) of the ex-Lamma Quarry site and put forward development proposals within 2024;
  - Put forward comprehensive urban renewal master plans and restructuring proposals for Tsuen Wan and Sham Shui Po by phases **starting from the second half of 2024**;
  - The MTRCL to submit proposals in end-2024 to re-plan the railway facility sites in the vicinity of the Hung Hom MTR Station and improve the connectivity between Hung Hom and Tsim Sha Tsui East; and
  - Complete the public engagement activities, and commence the detailed design work of the South Lantau eco-tourism or eco-recreation projects within 2024.
- 46. Promote the development of the construction industry:
  - Provide funding for some **400 enterprises** under the Construction Innovation and Technology Fund **within 2024** to

facilitate their adoption of various innovative technologies in construction projects, with a view to further enhancing productivity and built quality; and

• The Construction Industry Council to utilise government funding and its own resources to increase the training quota for skilled construction workers from 10 000 places in the 2022/23 academic year to at least about **12 000** places in each of the academic years from 2023/24 to 2027/28.

# **Building Safety and Building Management**

- 47. In order to enhance building safety within 2024:
  - Complete the review on the Buildings Ordinance to, among others, explore streamlining prosecution procedures, lowering the prosecution threshold and increasing penalties for unauthorised building works, non-compliant notices served under the Mandatory Building Inspection Scheme (MBIS)/Mandatory Window Inspection Scheme and non-compliant repair orders, and formulating legislative proposals;
  - Repair/rectify **1 000** dilapidated/dangerous buildings by their owners or Government contractors, including the default works undertaken by the Government for no less than **200** buildings classified as Category 2 buildings under "Operation Building Bright 2.0";
  - Instigate no less than **2 500** prosecutions mainly against owners/owners' corporations failing to comply with notices served under the MBIS without reasonable excuse; and
  - Instigate no less than **3 600 prosecutions** against non-compliant removal orders.

# (II) On-going and Valid Indicators for Specified Tasks Introduced in the 2022 Policy Address<sup>1</sup>

## Housing

46. Publish the information on public housing projects in the first five-year period on a quarterly basis, and the progress of land production of public housing projects in the second five-year period on a yearly basis.

#### Land

# 47. Ensure timely land supply:

- Based on the updated annual forecast, duly deliver about 3 370 ha of newly formed land in the coming 10 years (2024-25 to 2033-34), including no less than 1 400 ha in the Northern Metropolis and about 400 ha in the Kau Yi Chau Artificial Islands;
- Make land available for the production of around **80 000** private housing units for disposal in the market through land sale or railway property developments in the next **five years** (2024-25 to 2028-29); and
- Publish a 10-year supply forecast of developable land on a yearly basis.

# 48. Increase land supply:

• Conduct feasibility studies for rezoning 255 ha of "Green Belt" (GB) sites identified for housing development in the latest round of GB review, with a view to rezoning the first batch of land by 2024;

• Resume over 700 ha of private land for government projects in **five years** of 2023-24 to 2027-28 (with the total area exceeding five times of the 140 ha of land resumed in the past five years), and further resume about 200 ha of land in the ensuing three years;

Some of the on-going and valid indicators introduced in 2022 have been updated or enhanced in light of the latest situation.

- Release within 2024 the development proposals for Tsim Bei Tsui/Pak Nai/Lau Fau Shan area, New Territories North New Town (including Lo Wu/Man Kam To), Ngau Tam Mei and Ma Tso Lung in the Northern Metropolis;
- Commence the statutory procedures for the environmental impactassessment for the Kau Yi Chau Artificial Islands by end-2023; and
- Commence works in Tseung Kwan O Area 137 in 2025, with first resident intake in 2030.

# 49. Streamline development procedures:

- Regularise the arrangement for charging land premium at standard rates for redevelopment of old industrial buildings and extend by phases the arrangement for charging land premium at standard rates to agricultural land in the New Territories by end-2023;
- Introduce an amendment bill into LegCo by end-2023 to lower the compulsory sale application thresholds and streamline the legal procedures, and set up a dedicated office within 2024 to provide one-stop support services to minority owners affected by compulsory sale;
- Promote the use of Building Information Modelling (BIM) by promulgating a roadmap for the adoption of BIM in the preparation of building plans and the submission of these plans for approval by the authorities by 2023, and launching an application software to automate compliance checks on the floor area information in building plans in Q1 2024; and
- Streamline the procedures for extension of land leases expiring from 2025 by introducing a bill into LegCo by end-2023.

# Care for the Elderly

# 53. Improve elderly services:

• Put forward, within 2024, proposals for incorporating the concept of universal design and accessibility into the building design manual developed by the Buildings Department.

### **District Environment**

- 68. Regarding the harbourfront promenade:
  - Extend the total length of promenade on both sides of the Victoria Harbour by over 30% from the existing 25 kilometres to 34 kilometres by end-2028; and
  - Stage at least **30** events/activities at harbourfront sites every year.
- 69. Progressively commence works for improving some sections and providing missing links of a 60-kilometre long Round-the-Island Trail from 2023 onwards, with a view to connecting 90% of the trail by end-2027 and substantially completing the remaining larger scale works by end-2031.

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