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Controlling Officer: Director of Electrical and Mechanical Services (CHAN Fan)

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Question:

1. Please list the numbers of prosecution and disciplinary actions taken by the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department in the past five years.
2. Please list the expenditure of the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department on inspection and enforcement actions, public education and publicity for lifts and escalators in the past five years. Please also list the estimated expenditure of the Department on inspection and enforcement actions, public education and publicity for lifts and escalators in 2017-18.

Asked by: Hon Tanya CHAN (Member Question No. 531)

Reply:

1. The numbers of prosecution and disciplinary actions completed by the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (EMSD) in respect of mechanical installations safety in the past five years are listed in the following table:

Financial Year	Number of Prosecution Cases	Number of Disciplinary Cases
2016-17 (As of 28 February 2017)	5	1
2015-16	6	0
2014-15	2	0
2013-14	1	2
2012-13	1	0

Apart from the completed cases, one disciplinary case is currently under disciplinary proceedings.

2. The expenditure of EMSD on inspection and enforcement actions, public education and publicity for lifts and escalators in the past five years are listed below:

Financial Year	Expenditure (\$million)
2016-17	31.3*
2015-16	35.9
2014-15	37.8
2013-14	35.5
2012-13	32.0

* Estimated 2016-17 year end expenditure

In 2017-18, the estimated expenditure on the above work for lifts and escalators is \$35.3 million. The expenditure increase over that in 2016-17 mainly arises from the enhanced publicity activities and the increased number of inspections to cope with the continuous growth in the numbers of lifts and escalators.

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