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Question :

- (a) In the section on “Indicators”, the estimated number of approval and revalidation of LPG fuel tanks in vehicles in the coming year will be increased to 6 400. Would the Department advise whether adequate manpower and resources have been earmarked for in handling the approval and revalidation work? If so, please provide the manpower and the related expenditure in the coming year for taking on this item.
- (b) In view of the recent large number of LPG vehicle stalling incidents, will the Administration deploy additional manpower and resources in the coming year to provide support to the drivers of LPG vehicles, for example to assist the vehicle owners to conduct analysis and inspection, and also to assist the vehicle owners to seek compensation from the related fuel supplier and vehicle manufacturer. If so, please advise details.

Asked by : Hon. IP Wai-ming

Reply :

- (a) The Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (EMSD) is deploying existing resources as needed to handle the additional workload arising from the approval and revalidation of LPG fuel tanks in vehicles. The task is undertaken by a team of engineers and inspectors whose responsibilities cover a wide range of regulatory duties over the LPG supply chain for LPG vehicles. There is no separate breakdown on the manpower and expenditure for this particular duty.
- (b) The EMSD will conduct comprehensive reviews of the monitoring of supply and the quality of auto-LPG, with a view to strengthening the monitoring measures, and will deploy necessary resources to implement the strengthened measures.

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