

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2011-12
**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
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Question : Although there was an extensive outbreak of stalling incidents of liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) taxis / light buses in early 2010, the number of enquiries and complaints on LPG vehicle safety received by the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department in 2010 was comparable to that of 2009, both were around a thousand and there was no major increase in 2010. In this connection, please advise on the areas that the enquiries and complaints were related to.

Asked by : Hon. LAU Kin-yee, Miriam

Reply :

The following table shows the respective percentage of enquiries and complaints on liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) vehicle safety received in 2009 and 2010.

Year	Total Number of Enquiries and Complaints	Enquiries	Complaints
2009	1 110	97%	3%
2010	1 080	88%	12%

In 2010, the enquiries on LPG vehicle safety cover a wide range of issues including LPG vehicle fuel tank revalidation, operation of LPG filling stations, auto-LPG pricing, enlistment of competent persons, safe use of LPG vehicles, etc. while the majority of the complaints were about LPG vehicle stalling. Although the total numbers of enquiries and complaints were comparable, the number of complaints received in 2010 was more than that of 2009 due to the LPG vehicle stalling incident.

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