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Question: Based on the performance indicator of renewable energy projects for Government and public bodies, please advise:

- (a) the details of the grid-connected renewable energy installations completed in 2007-08: and
- (b) does the Government have a plan to assist energy users in grid connection and to promote the private organisations or residential buildings to develop renewable energy installations. If so, what are the details?

Asked by: Hon. LEE Chu-ming, Martin

Reply:

- (a) Four grid-connected renewable energy installations for Airport Police Station, Government Flying Services Headquarters, Kowloon Hospital Rehabilitation Block and Hong Kong Science Museum were completed in 2007-08.
- (b) The Government is committed to promoting the development of renewable energy in Hong Kong. Technical advice and guidelines are provided to encourage wider application of renewable energy, such as the "Technical Guidelines on Grid Connection of Renewable Energy Power Systems" prepared by the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department. The Department also set up a thematic website, the "HK RE Net" (http://re.emsd.gov.hk), in 2007 providing information on various renewable energy technologies with a view to facilitating their adoption. Separately, under the new post-2008 Scheme of Control Agreements, the power companies will offer standardised arrangement for back-up power supply for customers with embedded renewable energy systems in Hong Kong.

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