## BD reminds building owners to appoint Registered Inspectors to conduct mandatory building inspections

The Buildings Department (BD) reminded building owners today (August 9) that they must appoint inspectors registered under the Buildings Ordinance to conduct building inspections and submit inspection reports so as to meet the requirements of the Mandatory Building Inspection Scheme (MBIS).

Under the MBIS, owners of buildings aged 30 years or above (except domestic buildings not exceeding 3 storeys), upon receipt of statutory notices from the BD, are required to appoint a registered inspector (RI) to carry out the prescribed inspection and supervise the prescribed repair works found necessary of the common parts, external walls and projections (such as balconies) or signboards of the buildings. RI may be an authorised person, a registered structural engineer or registered building professional possessing relevant work experience in the field of building construction, repair and maintenance. A register of RI is available at the BD's website:

www.bd.gov.hk/en/resources/online-tools/registers-search/registrationsearch-disclaimer.html?reg\_type=RI(A),RI(E),RI(S)

Building owners are reminded that inspection of buildings and submission of reports by persons not on the register will not be regarded as meeting the requirements of the MBIS.

Members of the public can find details of the MBIS on the BD website (<a href="www.bd.gov.hk/en/safety-inspection/mbis/index.html">www.bd.gov.hk/en/safety-inspection/mbis/index.html</a>), the BD's Chatbot Function "Ah Build" and mobile application "MBIS/MWIS — Quick Guide for MBIS/MWIS".