

Fifteen building plans approved in February

The Buildings Department approved 15 building plans in February, with one on Hong Kong Island, nine in Kowloon and five in the New Territories.

Of the approved plans, nine were for apartment and apartment/commercial developments, three were for factory and industrial developments, and three were for community services developments.

In the same month, consent was given for works to start on 18 building projects which, when completed, will provide 60 021 square metres of gross floor area for domestic use involving 1 682 units, and 90 328 sq m of gross floor area for non-domestic use. The department has received notification of commencement of superstructure works for seven building projects.

The department also issued 11 occupation permits, with four on Hong Kong Island, one in Kowloon and six in the New Territories.

Of the buildings certified for occupation, the gross floor area for domestic use was 46 452 sq m involving 783 units, and 2 386 sq m was for non-domestic use.

The declared cost of new buildings completed in February totalled about \$3.1 billion.

In addition, 10 demolition consents involving 10 building structures were issued.

The department received 2 512 reports about unauthorised building works (UBWs) in February and issued 306 removal orders on UBWs.

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