

Nine building plans approved in November

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

Of the approved plans, five were for apartment and apartment/commercial developments, two were for commercial developments, and two were for community services developments.

In the same month, consent was given for works to start on 14 building projects which, when completed, will provide 72 961 square metres of gross floor area for domestic use involving 1 439 units, and 235 806 sq m of gross floor area for non-domestic use. The department has received notification of commencement of superstructure works for nine building projects.

The department also issued 24 occupation permits, with four on Hong Kong Island, 12 in Kowloon and eight in the New Territories.

Of the buildings certified for occupation, the gross floor area for domestic use was 164 584 sq m involving 3 345 units, and 201 716 sq m was for non-domestic use.

The declared cost of new buildings completed in November totalled about \$13.9 billion.

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

The department received 2 950 reports about unauthorised building works (UBWs) in November and issued 408 removal orders on UBWs.

The full version of the Monthly Digest for November can be viewed on the Buildings Department's homepage (www.bd.gov.hk).