

Twenty-nine building plans approved in September

The Buildings Department approved 29 building plans in September, with nine on Hong Kong Island, nine in Kowloon and 11 in the New Territories.

Of the approved plans, 11 were for apartment and apartment/commercial developments, eight were for commercial developments, four were for factory and industrial developments, and six 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 328 886 square metres of gross floor area for domestic use involving 5 583 units, and 112 272 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 36 occupation permits, with 12 on Hong Kong Island, seven in Kowloon and 17 in the New Territories.

Of the buildings certified for occupation, the gross floor area for domestic use was 250 823 sq m involving 4 085 units, and 71 745 sq m was for non-domestic use.

The declared cost of the new buildings completed in September totalled about \$10 billion.

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

The department received 2 334 reports about unauthorised building works (UBWs) in September and issued 1 243 removal orders on UBWs.

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