

14 building plans approved in February

The Buildings Department approved 14 building plans in February, with five on Hong Kong Island, four in Kowloon and five in the New Territories.

Of the approved plans, nine were for apartment and apartment/commercial developments, two were for commercial developments, and three 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 118 570 square metres of gross floor area for domestic use involving 2 755 units, and 137 906 sq m of gross floor area for non-domestic use. The department has received notification of commencement of superstructure works for four building projects.

The department also issued 15 occupation permits, with four on Hong Kong Island, four in Kowloon and seven in the New Territories.

Of the buildings certified for occupation, the gross floor area for domestic use was 34 731 sq m involving 1 756 units, and 120 810 sq m was for non-domestic use.

The declared cost of new buildings completed in February totalled about \$4.7 billion.

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

The department received 2 062 reports about unauthorised building works (UBWs) in February and issued 553 removal orders on UBWs.

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