

Twenty-one building plans approved in November

The Buildings Department approved 21 building plans in November, with six on Hong Kong Island, nine in Kowloon and six in the New Territories.

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

In the same month, consent was given for works to start on 10 building projects which, when completed, will provide 149 713 square metres of gross floor area for domestic use involving 1 725 units, and 123 585 sq m of gross floor area for non-domestic use. The department has received notification of commencement of superstructure works for 11 building projects.

The department also issued 18 occupation permits, with eight on Hong Kong Island, two in Kowloon and eight in the New Territories.

Of the buildings certified for occupation, the gross floor area for domestic use was 50 643 sq m involving 749 units, and 83 512 sq m was for non-domestic use.

The declared cost of new buildings completed in November totalled about \$6.7 billion.

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

The department received 2 734 reports about unauthorised building works (UBWs) in November and issued 537 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).