

Twenty-two building plans approved in October

The Buildings Department approved 22 building plans in October, with seven on Hong Kong Island, five in Kowloon and 10 in the New Territories.

Of the approved plans, 13 were for apartment and apartment/commercial developments, five were for commercial developments, two were for factory and industrial developments, and two were for community services developments.

In the same month, consent was given for works to start on 12 building projects which, when completed, will provide 125 233 square metres of gross floor area for domestic use involving 2 966 units, and 47 387 sq m of gross floor area for non-domestic use. The department has received notification of commencement of superstructure works for six 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 128 181 sq m involving 2 156 units, and 58 864 sq m was for non-domestic use.

The declared cost of new buildings completed in October totalled about \$6.2 billion.

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

The department received 2 923 reports about unauthorised building works (UBWs) in October and issued 1 826 removal orders on UBWs.

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