

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

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Question:

Matters requiring special attention in 2026-27 include implementation of the Market Modernisation Programme to improve facilities of existing public markets. Please advise this Committee of:

1. the number of public markets with facilities improved in the past 3 years, the expenditure and the time needed for completion;
2. the number of public markets with plans to improve the facilities in the coming year, the estimated expenditure and the estimated time needed for completion.

Asked by: Hon CHAN Chun-ying (LegCo internal reference no.: 6)

Reply:

1. In the past 3 years (i.e. 2023, 2024 and 2025), the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department has completed a total of 3 market overhaul and stall enhancement projects under the Market Modernisation Programme (MMP). The details are as follows:

	<b>Name of public market</b>	<b>Project Type</b>	<b>Project cost</b>	<b>Date of resumption of operation</b>
1.	Aberdeen Market	Overhaul	About \$254 million	May 2023
2.	Lai Wan Market	Overhaul	About \$46.77 million	March 2024
3.	Queen Street Cooked Food Market	Stall enhancement	About \$9.5 million	September 2024

During the same period, the Department continued to carry out minor refurbishment or improvement works, and has commenced the relevant works in 16 markets since the launch of the MMP. As at the end of February 2026, the works in 15 markets (including Ngau Tau Kok Market, Yeung Uk Road Market, Fa Yuen Street Market, Quarry Bay Market, Shui Wo Street Market, Tsuen Wan Market, Mong Kok Cooked Food Market, Ngau Chi Wan Market, Shek Tong Tsui Market, Yan Oi Market, Sai Kung Market, Po On Road Market, Wong Nai Chung Market, Smithfield Market and Luen

Wo Hui Market) have been completed, while those in the remaining Nam Long Shan Road Cooked Food Market are expected to be completed in the second quarter of 2026. The estimated expenditure for taking forward the 16 aforementioned minor refurbishment or improvement projects is about \$81.46 million.

2. In 2025-26, the Department commenced 3 stall enhancement projects which are all expected to be completed in 2026-27. The details are as follows:

	<b>Name of public market</b>	<b>Project cost</b>	<b>Expected completion date</b>
1.	Ap Lei Chau Market Cooked Food Centre	About \$17.2 million	April 2026
2.	Luen Wo Hui Market Cooked Food Centre	About \$28.8 million	July 2026
3.	Yue Wan Market Cooked Food Centre	About \$15.5 million	December 2026

The Department will continue to identify other suitable markets for stall enhancement works.

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