

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

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Question:

The Hong Kong Observatory (HKO) stated that it would “continue to enhance media weather services to meet the increasing expectations of the media and the public.” Will HKO provide weather information on "apparent temperature" so that the public may get hold of the weather condition more precisely?

Asked by: Hon Christopher CHEUNG Wah-fung (Member Question No. 3)

Reply:

Starting April this year, the Hong Kong Observatory's (HKO) morning TV weather programme will increase from one session to two sessions so that those going to school or work could obtain the latest weather information conveniently. The programme will be broadcast through TV stations at around 7 am and 8 am every morning from Monday to Saturday, and be made directly available to the public through the “MyObservatory” mobile application and HKO's website.

At present, there is no global standard for apparent temperature. HKO will make reference to overseas practices in studying whether to introduce an index appropriate for Hong Kong.

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