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Question:

Regarding the Cold Weather Warning, please advise on the respective figures on Cold Weather Warnings issued by the Hong Kong Observatory (HKO) in the past 3 years (2017-18 to 2019-20), and the figures on those involving reported death of or damage to vegetables and fish. Please also provide the respective dates of warnings issued and reports received.

Asked by: Hon HO Chun-yin, Steven (LegCo internal reference no.: 50)

Reply:

The number and dates of Cold Weather Warnings issued by the Hong Kong Observatory in the past three years (2017-18 to 2019-20) are as follows:

	Number of Cold Weather Warnings issued and relevant dates	Number of times involving reported loss of crops or death of fish <sup>#</sup>	Dates of report <sup>#</sup>
2017-18	5 (16 to 21 December 2017) (8 to 14 January 2018) (28 January to 8 February 2018) (10 to 13 February 2018) (8 to 9 March 2018)	Crops : 0 Fish : 3	5 February 2018 6 February 2018 14 February 2018
2018-19	1 (28 December 2018 to 2 January 2019)	Crops : 0 Fish : 0	-

	Number of Cold Weather Warnings issued and relevant dates	Number of times involving reported loss of crops or death of fish <sup>#</sup>	Dates of report <sup>#</sup>
2019-20 (up to end of February)	3 (4 to 8 December 2019) (26 January to 1 February 2020) (15 to 19 February 2020)	Crops : 0 Fish : 0	-

<sup>#</sup> Figures provided by the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department.

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