

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Director of Bureau: Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development

Question:

1. In the past 3 years, how many school visits were received by the Hong Kong Observatory (HKO) and how many outreach activities were arranged for schools? Please use the table below to provide information.

Year	Number of school visits received				Number of outreach activities for schools			
	Kindergarten	Primary School	Secondary School	Special School	Kindergarten	Primary School	Secondary School	Special School
2018								
2017								
2016								

2. How many requests for school visits did HKO receive in each of the past 3 years? If there were cases when such requests were rejected, what was the common reason?

3. How many requests did HKO receive in each of the past 3 years for arranging outreach activities for schools? If there were cases when such requests were rejected, what was the common reason?

Asked by: Hon IP Kin-yuen (LegCo internal reference no.: 195)

Reply:

The Hong Kong Observatory (HKO) received 169 school visits and arranged 81 outreach activities for schools in the past 3 years (2017-2019). Details are as follows:

Year	Number of school visits				Number of outreach activities for schools			
	Kindergarten	Primary School	Secondary School	Special School	Kindergarten	Primary School	Secondary School	Special School
2019	9	17	26	1	0	11	22	1
2018	5	18	28	4	0	9	17	1
2017	11	19	30	1	0	14	6	0

From 2017 to 2019, HKO received applications for visits from 123, 86 and 134 schools (including kindergartens, primary schools, secondary schools and special schools) respectively. Due to site limitations, HKO arranged visits for schools selected by way of drawing lots.

HKO received 81 requests for arranging outreach activities for schools from 2017 to 2019. All such requests were accepted.

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