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Islands District Council
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Question on large amount of garbage on the beach in Discovery Bay

Ms Amy YUNG notified this Council that she will raise the following enquiry at the Islands District Council meeting to be held on 19 December this year:

“ After large amount of marine refuse was found in various beaches and coastal areas in the southern part of Hong Kong in July this year, I received photos from residents this November showing large amount of refuse littering the Tai Pak Wan Beach at Discovery Bay with medical waste again such as syringes and drug packaging.

Thus, I would like to request the Environmental Protection Department (EPD), the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department, the Marine Department and Inter-departmental Working Group on Clean Shorelines to arrange representatives to attend the meeting to respond to the following questions:

1. Please explain the cause for the large amount of refuse found on the beach in Discovery Bay.
2. Please provide the figures on the amount of refuse collected from the beaches in Islands District in the past 12 months.
3. At the Tourism, Agriculture, Fisheries and Environmental Hygiene Committee meeting held on 25 July this year, EPD indicated that it would liaise and coordinate with the relevant departments of the Guangdong Province on the matter. What is the progress?

As Tai Pak Wan Beach is owned by the Hong Kong Resort International Limited (HKRI), I would also like to invite representative from HKRI to attend the meeting to explain how it would step up its cleaning measures. ”

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