

**Question on suspected unlawful occupation
of Government land on Kwun Yam Wan Road
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Written Reply of Buildings Department

Pursuant to the powers under the Buildings Ordinance (BO), the Buildings Department (BD) is responsible for the enforcement of the safety and health standards for the planning, design and construction of buildings and associated works on private land. The BO aims to provide for the planning, design and construction of buildings and associated works by setting therein the structural and fire safety and health standards.

In December 2019, this department received an enquiry from the residents of Cheung Chau that unauthorised building works (UBWs) had been carried out at Cheung Chau DDCC Lot 899 and Block 1, Villas Des Roses, No.35 Kwun Yam Wan Road. Joint site inspection were carried out together with Geotechnical Engineering Office (GEO) and Lands Department in January and March 2020 revealed that unauthorised new site formation works involving removal of slope works and construction of new retaining wall had been carried out at the above areas. According to the assessment of GEO, no obvious danger of the slope was observed for UBWs. However, they are regarded as actionable items under our prevailing enforcement policy. Statutory order was issued at the end of March 2020 requiring the owner concerned for the removal of the UBWs.

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