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### Replies to supplementary questions raised by Finance Committee Members in examining the Estimates of Expenditure 2022-23

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

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Question:

Further to Reply Serial No. CSO009 -

It is learnt that since the Financial Secretary has proposed the introduction of rental enforcement moratorium for tenants of specified sectors by legislation in the 2022-23 Budget, some landlords have rushed to file cases for recovering from tenants arrears of rent before the relevant ordinance comes into effect. Does the Government get hold of such statistics?

Asked by: Hon LUK Chung-hung

Reply:

We have consulted the Judiciary regarding the question of the Hon LUK Chung-hung. While the Judiciary keeps the statistics on the number of tenancy dispute cases, it does not have a breakdown of cases filed for recovering arrears of rent of non-residential properties. For the statistics on the number of cases filed recently for arrears of rent, they may also be affected by the adjustment to the operating hours of the court registries due to the epidemic situation.

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