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Question:

Apart from persons in custody who are in separate confinement, what is the average size of accommodation area per person in custody under the Prison Programme?

Asked by: Hon WONG Yuk-man (Member Question No. 36)

Reply:

According to the existing guidelines, the planning standard of the dormitory (facility for shared accommodation) for persons in custody in general is 4.6 m<sup>2</sup> per person. Owing to security requirement, the planning standard of the cell (with sanitary fittings) for Category A<sup>1</sup> persons in custody requiring maximum security is 7 m<sup>2</sup> per person.

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<sup>1</sup> Including persons in custody of the maximum security category with sentences of 12 years or above.