

Handling of illegal display of large vertical banners / slogans / graffiti in country parks by the Government in the past five years

(1) Number of cases of illegal display of large vertical banners / slogans / graffiti in country parks received by the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department (AFCD) and the number of patrols and cleaning actions involved:

Year	Number of cases of large vertical banners	Number of cases of slogans / graffiti	Number of patrols*	Number of cleaning actions for large vertical banners*
2015	3	3	15 381	3
2016	4	1	14 705	4
2017	3	1	14 747	3
2018	3	0	15 456	3
2019 (as at end September)	17	0	11 440	17

* AFCD does not keep separate breakdowns on the numbers of patrols on large vertical banners and cleaning actions for illegal display of slogans/ graffiti.

(2) Number of officers and time involved for handling cases of illegal display of large vertical banners in country parks by the relevant Government departments in each month[#] of the past five years:

Date	Number of officers involved*	Approximate time required (hours)
January 2015	51	28.4
February 2015	40	22.2
May 2016	52	37.2
June 2016	56	17.4
March 2017	31	17
December 2017	59	24.9
March 2018	26	21.5
May 2018	26	8.5
September 2018	21	10.9
May 2019	120	32.7
June 2019	85	40.8
August 2019	87	25
September 2019	139	64.5

*Involved departments include the AFCD, Fire Services Department, Hong Kong Police Force and Government Flying Service.

[#]There was no case for months not listed in the above table.