

Parliament in numbers

28,000

Number of maids who have borrowed money from licensed moneylenders, between January and June this year. Last year, about 12,000 maids did so, a jump from the 1,500 maids who borrowed in 2016.



\$5 billion

Initial amount injected into the Rail Infrastructure Fund, to pay for new rail lines. A Bill was passed yesterday to establish the fund.

10 years

Maximum prison term for an adult who exposes children to drugs or permits young persons to consume drugs. This is part of proposed changes to the Misuse of Drugs Act.



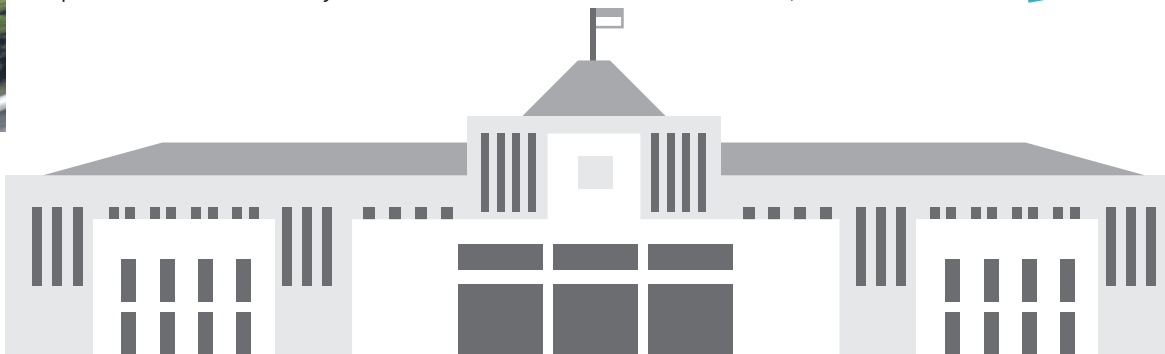
36,076

Number of reported cases of hand, foot and mouth disease (HFMD) in the first 10 months of this year. There were 33,663 reported HFMD cases last year.



35,000

Number of suspicious transaction reports filed last year, a significant increase from 22,000 in 2013.



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Number of trips taken by Minister for Foreign Affairs Vivian Balakrishnan in the past year, to strengthen diplomatic ties and establish partnerships with other countries.

