

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2007-08
**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
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Head : 49 Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

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Programme : (3) Market Management and Hawker Control

Controlling Officer : Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene

Director of Bureau : Secretary for Health, Welfare and Food

Question :

Regarding the matters requiring special attention in 2007-08, please advise on the details and expenditure involved in market improvement works and market promotion carried out in 2006-07 as well as the details and expenditure for such works and promotion in 2007-08.

Asked by : Hon. LEUNG Yiu-chung

Reply :

In 2006-07, the Department carried out general improvement works in six markets. The estimated total project cost of these items added up to \$130.8 million. In 2007-08, the Department will carry out general improvement works in another 10 markets, at an estimated total cost of about \$103 million. These market improvement works include mainly upgrading of drainage, lighting, ventilation, signage and fire services provisions.

In 2006-07, the Department organized a range of promotional activities in public markets such as roving exhibitions, thematic workshops, festive decorations and promotions. Special promotional activities were held for four renovated/new markets. The Department also published quarterly newsletters to publicize the promotional activities. The total estimated expenditure involved in market promotion in 2006-07 is around \$3.3 million. In 2007-08, the Department will continue to carry out similar promotional activities in public markets and special programmes for renovated/new markets. The resources required can only be

determined after consulting market tenants on the programme details and the expenditure incurred will be absorbed within the Department's allocation.

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