

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2007-08
**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
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Question :

The Administration will continue to convert designated aqua privies into flushing toilets by phases in 2007-08. Please advise on the details, projected timetable, manpower, expenditure and anticipated progress of the conversion works.

Asked by : Hon. LEONG Kah-kit, Alan

Reply :

The approved conversion project covers the upgrading of 100 aqua privies in the New Territories and outlying islands into flushing toilets. It has been implemented by phases starting from early 2005, at a total estimated cost of \$92.8 million. The last batch of 37 aqua privies will be converted by end 2007. The manpower for planning and implementation of the conversion works is met by existing resources and is not separately identifiable.

Signature _____

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Date _____ 15.3.2007 _____