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Question:

Apart from introducing an amendment regulation on nutrition labelling for pre-packaged food and taking steps to introduce a new Food Safety Bill, has the Department earmarked financial provision for implementing mandatory genetically modified food labelling. If yes, please provide details and advise on the manpower and expenditure involved? If not, what are the reasons?

Asked by: Hon. WONG Kwok-hing

Reply:

No resources are earmarked for the purpose, as there is no plan to implement a mandatory genetically modified food labelling scheme in 2008-09.

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