

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2010-11

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Question:

Under the registration system for Mainland fresh water fish farms for supply to Hong Kong, please advise on the number of fish farms inspected/to be inspected and inspection visits made/to be made, as well as the expenditure and manpower required in 2008, 2009 and 2010 respectively.

Asked by: Hon. CHEUNG Yu-yan, Tommy

Reply:

The Centre for Food Safety inspected 22 and 12 Mainland fish farms in 2008 and 2009 respectively, and plan to inspect 25 in 2010. The inspection will be carried out by inspection teams comprising veterinary officers, field officers and research officer. The inspections in 2008-09 and 2009-10 cost \$0.4 million and \$0.5 million respectively. The estimated expenditure for 2010-11 is about \$0.6 million.

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