

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
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Question:

What is the Department's estimated expenditure on cleansing services for 2010-11? What is the proportion of the services to be contracted out? What is the number of workers to be employed by the cleansing contractors in 2010-11? How is it compared to that in the previous year (i.e. in 2009-10)?

Asked by: Hon. TAM Yiu-chung

Reply:

In 2010-11, the Department's estimated expenditure on public cleansing services is \$1,904 million. In manpower terms, about 71% of street cleansing services are being provided by contractors. It is estimated that about 6 800 workers will be employed by contractors for providing public cleansing services in 2010-11, compared to 6 530 in 2009-10.

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