

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2010-11

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Programme: (1) Food Safety and Public Health

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Question:

Under Programme (1) Food Safety and Public Health, the revised expenditure in 2009-10 represents a significant decrease over the original estimate. What are the reasons for the decrease?

Asked by: Hon. TONG Ka-wah, Ronny

Reply:

For 2009-10, the revised estimate under this programme is \$38 million lower than the original estimate. This is mainly due to lower-than-estimated expenditure in general departmental expenses for procurement of food safety and pest control services.

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