

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO  
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

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Head: 49 Food and Environmental Hygiene Department  
Subhead (No. & title):

Programme: (2) Environmental Hygiene and Related Services

Controlling Officer: Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Food and Health

Question:

Please provide information on the following items under this programme:

- (a) the number of in-house staff, contractors and contractor staff engaged in the provision of public cleansing services under this programme, including street cleansing and household waste collection, and management of public cleansing facilities such as public toilets and refuse collection points; and
- (b) the expenditure on outsourcing of the aforesaid public cleansing services in each of the past three years (i.e. from 2008-09 to 2010-11).

Asked by: Hon. WONG Yung-kan

Reply:

The information sought is provided as follows:

- (a) As at 1 March 2011, the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department engaged 3 161 in-house staff, 17 contractors and 7 378 contractor staff in the provision of public cleansing services.
- (b) The expenditure on outsourcing of the aforesaid public cleansing services in 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11 is \$622 million, \$708 million and \$727 million (revised estimate) respectively.

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