

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO  
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Question:

Trees in landscaped areas along roadside are under the management of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department. At present, what are the manpower and expenditure involved in removing the rubbish dumped in areas around these trees as well as in roadside planters?

Asked by: Hon. LAU Wong-fat

Reply:

The Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (the Department) is responsible for providing refuse collection service and street cleansing service (collectively referred to as environmental hygiene service) to public places, including roadside planters. The Department and its contractors have a total workforce of about 10 200 in providing such environmental hygiene services and the estimated expenditure in 2011-12 is \$1,819 million. The Department does not have a breakdown on the number of workers engaged in and expenditure on removing rubbish in roadside planters as this is part of the environmental hygiene service.

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