

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
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Question:

What is the Department's estimated expenditure on cleansing services for 2011-12? How is it compared to that in the previous year? 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 2011-12?

Asked by: Hon. TAM Yiu-chung

Reply:

In 2011-12, the Department's estimated expenditure on public cleansing services is \$1,819.0 million, compared to \$1,776.6 million (revised estimate) in 2010-11. In manpower terms, about 75% of street cleansing services is being provided by contractors. It is estimated that about 6 635 workers will be employed by contractors for providing public cleansing services in 2011-12.

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