

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

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Head: 49 Food and Environmental Hygiene Department      Subhead (No. & title): 000 Operational expenses

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Controlling Officer: Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene

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Question:

The work of the Department involves managing cremation and burial facilities, including public cemeteries, crematoria and columbaria. Please advise on the details of the work and the estimated expenditure involved.

Asked by: Hon. CHAN Tanya

Reply:

The work of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department regarding the management of cremation and burial facilities includes maintaining the venues of public cemeteries, crematoria and columbaria in a clean, hygienic and tidy condition, interment of the deceased, exhumation of human remains, cremation of the deceased / human remains, depositing of human ashes in niches and assisting in the scattering of ashes at Gardens of Remembrance.

The estimated expenditure involved in the management and maintenance of the above facilities in 2011-12 is \$201.1 million.

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