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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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<u>Head</u>: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

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<u>Programme</u>: (3) Market Management and Hawker Control

<u>Controlling Officer</u>: Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene (Miss Vivian LAU)

<u>Director of Bureau</u>: Secretary for Food and Health

This question originates from: Estimates on Expenditure Volume I Page 253 (if applicable)

Question (Member Question No. 126):

Please advise on the estimated expenditure and manpower of the Hawker Control Teams (HCTs) for 2014-15 and give a breakdown of the 5 064 prosecution cases taken out by the HCTs against licensed hawkers in the past year by the nature of the offences involved.

Asked by: Hon. WONG Yuk-man

Reply:

The staff establishment of Hawker Control Teams and estimated expenditure on hawker management for the year of 2014-15 is 2 210 and \$953.5 million respectively. The 5 064 convictions against licensed hawkers in 2013 were mainly related to the following acts: street obstructions; hawking commodities not specified in licence; using a fixed pitch without holding a fixed-pitch licence; and failing to comply with conditions of licence. Further detailed breakdown is not readily available.