

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**FHB(FE)250****(Question Serial No. 4403)**

Head: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational expenses

Programme: (2) Environmental Hygiene and Related Services

Controlling Officer: Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene (Miss Vivian LAU)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Food and Health

This question originates from: Estimates on Expenditure Volume I Page 250 (if applicable)

Question (Member Question No. 19):

Regarding the staff establishment and operational expenses for Programme (2), please provide information on the following:

1. the expenses on staff salaries, allowances and job-related allowances respectively as well as the personnel related expenses;
2. among the 5 759 staff, the number of staff on Directorate Pay Scale and their ranks;
3. the expenses pertaining to directorate civil servants in respect of each of the items mentioned in Point 1 above and their percentage; and
4. the amount of departmental expenses and non-recurrent expenses (if any) for this programme.

Asked by: Hon. LEUNG Kwok-hung

Reply:

1. The estimated provision for staff salaries, allowances and job-related allowances as well as the personnel related expenses under Programme (2) for 2014-15 is as follows:

	\$ million
Salaries	1,265.8
Allowances and job-related allowances	62.2
Personnel related expenses (i.e. Mandatory Provident Fund and Civil Service Provident Fund contributions)	46.0
Total	1,374.0

2. The 5 759 staff in Programme (2) include its share of one D3 officer and three D2 officers whose major duties relate to both Programmes (2) and (3), as well as its share of other relevant directorate officers in the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department who are responsible for indirect supervision or support functions for the programme.
3. The share of the salaries of the four directorate officers in question is \$4.2 million in 2014-15 which represents 0.33% of the total provision for salaries under Programme (2). The share of the relevant expenses of other directorate officers under the programme is not readily available.

4. The estimated provision for departmental expenses and capital expenditure is \$1,614.7 million and \$8.8 million respectively for this programme.