

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY****FHB(FE)309****(Question Serial No. 6600)**Head: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene DepartmentSubhead (No. & title): (-) Not SpecifiedProgramme: (3) Market Management and Hawker ControlControlling Officer: Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene (Miss Vivian LAU)Director of Bureau: Secretary for Food and HealthQuestion:

With regard to the joint departmental operations conducted against illegal hawking, please advise on the estimated expenditure involved and the number of raids conducted in each of the past 5 years. Please also advise on the average number of in-house staff involved in each operation.

Asked by: Hon CHEUNG Chiu-hung, Fernando (Member Question No. 2005)Reply:

Hawker management and enforcement duties are undertaken by the Hawker Control Team of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (the Department). The Department does not separately keep statistics on the number of staff involved in each joint departmental operation against illegal hawking, which depends on the circumstances specific to each case. The estimated expenditure on hawker management is \$1,068 million in 2017-18. There is no further breakdown on the expenditure on joint departmental operations against illegal hawking. The number of joint departmental operations conducted in the past 5 years is given below -

<b>Calendar year</b>	<b>No. of joint operations against illegal hawking</b>
2012	1 614
2013	1 867
2014	1 830
2015	1 984
2016	2 009