

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

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

Programme: (-) Not Specified

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

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Food and Health

Question:

Please provide in tabular form information on the following in respect of the years from 2012-13 to 2016-17:

1. the number of outsourced security guards in the Department and the services provided;
2. the total expenditure on outsourced security services;
3. the percentage of the Department's security services outsourced; and
4. the percentage of change of each of the above items.

Asked by: Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung (Member Question No. 547)

Reply:

The information sought is provided as follows -

	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Number of outsourced security guards in the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (the Department) (Note)	508 (+1.8%)	495 (-2.6%)	559 (+12.9%)	550 (-1.6%)	554 (+0.7%)
Services provided	Security guard services include the provision of security guards, electronic checkpoint systems and walkie-talkies for various venues including public markets, municipal services buildings, depots and public cemeteries and crematoria.				

Total expenditure on outsourced security services	\$54.6 million (+15.2%)	\$63.9 million (+17.0%)	\$68.3 million (+6.9%)	\$70.2 million (+2.8%)	\$75.8 million (Revised Estimate) (+8.0%)
Percentage of the Department's security services outsourced	100% (-)	100% (-)	100% (-)	100% (-)	100% (-)

Figures in () denote percentage change as compared with the previous year.

Note: The figure reflects the position as of 31 March of the financial year, except for 2016-17 where the figure reflects the position as of 31.12.2016.

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