

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

Subhead (No. & title): (700) General non-recurrent

Programme: (-) Not Specified

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

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Food and Health

Question:

Please advise on the reason(s) for a decrease of about \$30 million in the estimated non-recurrent expenditure for 2018-19 when compared to the revised estimate of 2017-18.

Asked by: Hon WONG Pik-wan, Helena (Member Question No. (LegCo use): 15)

Reply:

Non-recurrent expenditure incurred by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department comprises mainly payments under the Assistance Scheme for Hawkers in Fixed-pitch Hawker Areas (the Scheme) launched in 2013 with an approved commitment of \$230 million. As planned, the Scheme will conclude in June 2018. The non-recurrent expenditure at \$21.731 million for 2018-19 is the remaining balance of the approved commitment, which is expected to be used up upon conclusion of the Scheme.

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