

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

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Head: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

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

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Food and Health

Question:

1. In May 2016, the Government revised its guidelines on the use of marking scheme for Government service contracts that rely heavily on the deployment of non-skilled workers, and under which, if departments opt to adopt a marking scheme for tender evaluation, the technical evaluation should by default include assessment criteria on both the proposed wage rates and working hours for non-skilled workers. Please advise on the percentage of price score and technical score under the assessment mechanism for existing service contracts engaged with non-skilled workers, the relative weightings of scores for items like wage rates, working hours and other labour rights and treatment under the technical score for service contracts engaged with non-skilled workers, and the relative weightings of each of the items set against the overall score.
2. Further to the above question, please provide the total number of Government outsourced service contracts engaged with non-skilled workers which have been awarded by the Department since the implementation of the guidelines (to the latest position), and the respective numbers of contracts for provision of street cleansing service, pest control service, market and cooked food market cleansing service, waste collection, recyclables collection service and animal carcass collection service.
3. Further to the above question, please inform this Committee whether the Department has, since the implementation of the guidelines (to the latest position), compiled statistics on the number of outsourced service contracts engaged with non-skilled workers which have been successfully awarded and under which the wage rates of workers have increased; if yes, the number; if not, the reasons. Has the Department reviewed the effectiveness of the new assessment mechanism?

Asked by: Hon CHEUNG Chiu-hung, Fernando (Member Question No. (LegCo use): 2540)

Reply:

1. For evaluation of tenders relying heavily on the deployment of non-skilled workers, the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (the Department) adopts a marking scheme with a weighting of 70% for price score and 30% for technical score. The information sought is provided as follows –

Assessment criteria in technical evaluation	Percentage range in technical evaluation	Percentage range against the overall score
Wages	16.0% to 22.9%	4.8% to 6.9%
Working hours	5.0% to 14.3%	1.5% to 4.3%
Others <sup>Note</sup>	62.8% to 79.0%	18.8% to 23.7%

Note: Including execution plan, record of past performance, management accreditation, etc.

2. The information sought is provided as follows –

Type of service contracts relying heavily on deployment of non-skilled workers	No. of contracts (as at 31.12.2017)
Street cleansing service	32
Pest control service	19
Market cleansing / management service including cooked food markets and hawker bazaars	20
Waste collection service	15
Recyclable collection service	2
Animal carcass collection service	1
Others	41
<b>Total</b>	<b>130</b>

3. The revised guidelines promulgated by the Government in 2016 require procuring departments to include in its assessment criteria the evaluation of the tenderers' proposed wage rates and working hours for non-skilled workers during tender evaluation if a marking scheme is adopted. The Department has adopted such criteria before announcement of the revised guidelines. The average wages of non-skilled workers immediately before and after the promulgation of the revised guidelines have no significant difference.

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