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Question:

It is estimated in the Budget that a total of \$600 million will be allocated to the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department to refurbish its public toilets by phases in the coming 5 years. Please elaborate on how the \$600 million will be used.

Asked by: Hon CHEUNG Wah-fung, Christopher (LegCo internal reference no.: 28)

Reply:

About 240 public toilets will be refurbished or facelifted in the coming 5 years from 2019-20 to 2023-24 at an estimated capital expenditure of \$600 million. New design and layouts will generally be adopted for the refurbishment of public toilets, with beautified facades and modern facilities, with a view to making them hygienic, clean and safe. The improvement works may cover exterior design, installations and equipment, materials, ventilation, odour control, lighting, infra-red sensor-activated taps and flushing facilities, etc. The Food and Environmental Hygiene Department will adjust the scope of the refurbishment of individual toilets having regard to the actual circumstances.

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