CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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<u>Head</u>: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

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

<u>Programme</u>: (2) Environmental Hygiene and Related Services

<u>Controlling Officer</u>: Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene (Miss Vivian LAU)

<u>Director of Bureau</u>: Secretary for Food and Health

Question:

In the past 10 years,

- (1) which is the public toilet at the lowest construction cost? What is its construction cost, area and number of compartments?
- (2) which is the public toilet at the highest construction cost? What is its construction cost, area and number of compartments?
- (3) what is the average construction cost of a public toilet?
- (4) what is the average construction cost of a toilet compartment?
- (5) what is the average construction cost per square metre of a public toilet?

Asked by: Hon KWOK Ka-ki (LegCo internal reference no.: 7)

Reply:

(1) & (2): The information sought is provided as follows –

| District | Name of Public Toilet | Construction Cost (\$ million) | Year of Construction | Floor Area (m²) | Number of Compartments | | O. |
|-------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|
| | | | | | Male Toilet | Female Toilet | Accessible Unisex Toilet |
| North | Chuk Yuen Village Public Toilet | 0.92 | 2014-15 | 42 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Yau Tsim | Lin Cheung Road Public Toilet | 20.00 | 2018-19 | 383 | 6 | 12 | 2 |

(3), (4) & (5): Public toilets vary in terms of accommodation requirements, layout design and specific site conditions, such as land size, accessibility, underground conditions, geotechnical features, etc. Since these factors can affect significantly the construction cost of individual toilets, it would not be possible to provide the unit cost per toilet, per compartment or per square metre.

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