

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)
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Question:

How many Workmen II are employed by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department? What are (i) the number, (ii) the post(s), (iii) the minimum salary point(s), (iv) the maximum salary point(s), and (v) the average weekly working hours and meal time(s) of Workmen II who take up non-technical duties? Are they entitled to travelling and hardship allowances when they work under inclement weather?

Asked by: Hon CHEUNG Chiu-hung, Fernando (LegCo internal reference no.: 7710)

Reply:

As at 1 March 2019, there were 2 778 Workmen II (WMII) working in the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (the Department). All of them took up non-technical duties, of whom 2 007 performed public cleansing duties, 387 performed pest control services in public places and 384 performed other duties relating to removal and disposal of dead bodies, cemeteries and crematoria services, manual work in various offices and facilities managed by the Department. The minimum pay point of WMII is Model Scale 1 Pay Scale Point 0 (\$13,040 per month) and the maximum pay point is Model Scale 1 Pay Scale Point 8 (\$15,365 per month). Their average working hours per week is 45 hours. The meal time of WMII is normally 1 hour. If WMII are required to work when a Black Rainstorm Warning Signal or a Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 8 (or above) is in force, they are entitled to the Rainstorm Black Warning Allowance or Typhoon Allowance.

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