

**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:

As regards the Government's provision for a facelift of public toilets, please advise this Committee on:

1. whether the expenditure covers the provision of store rooms and common rooms in public toilets for the use of workers; if yes, the expenditure and details; and
2. if no, the expenditure for providing store rooms and common rooms in public toilets. If no statistics are available, will the Department consider making an estimation?

Asked by: Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung (LegCo internal reference no.: 1171)

Reply:

Amongst the 799 public toilets managed by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (the Department), 264 are provided with toilet attendants, of which 231 of them are provided with attendant rooms. If circumstances permit, the Department will make available attendant rooms when the toilets are refurbished. 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. The list of these public toilets is being worked out with regard to their conditions and level of utilisation. We plan to commence refurbishment or facelifting works for about 40 public toilets in 2019-20.

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