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Head: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

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Question:

With regard to the outsourced service contracts of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department in the past 5 years, please set out the number of service contracts, the total sum of payment to service contractors, the total number of staff employed by the contractors, the number of supervisors, the number of workers, the distribution of hourly wages and monthly wages of staff employed by the contractors in respect of the following outsourced services: (a) street cleansing service; (b) pest control service; (c) market and cooked food market cleansing service; (d) waste collection service; (e) recyclables collection service; and (f) animal carcass collection service.

Asked by: Hon CHEUNG Chiu-hung, Fernando (LegCo internal reference no.: 1656)

Reply:

The information sought is provided at Annex.

**Outsourced Service Contracts
of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department**

(a) Street Cleansing

	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20 (as at 31.12.2019)
No. of outsourced street cleansing contracts	29	30	33	34	34
Total amount paid to outsourced service providers	\$926.1 million	\$953.0 million	\$1,093.1 million	\$1,263.0 million	\$1,650.4 million ^{Note 1}
No. of staff engaged by outsourced service providers ^{Note 2}					
· Total	6 995	6 973	7 715	7 839	8 847
· Supervisor	593	616	697	726	856
· Workman	6 402	6 357	7 018	7 113	7 991
Monthly salary range of outsourced staff ^{Note 3}					
· >\$30,000	-	-	-	-	-
· \$20,001-\$30,000	-	-	-	-	-
· \$16,001-\$20,000	-	-	-	-	-
· \$13,001-\$16,000	-	13	13	-	157
· \$10,001-\$13,000	240	351	496	842	3 363
· \$9,001-\$10,000	985	925	1 137	2 242	4 416
· \$8,001-\$9,000	5 770	5 684	5 722	4 168	-

Note 1: The revised estimate for 2019-20.

Note 2: The number of staff engaged by the outsourced service providers is the number of functional posts specified in the contracts.

Note 3: Only the monthly salary range of non-skilled workers is available. The Department does not keep information on the hourly salary range of the respective workers.

(b) Pest Control

	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20 (as at 31.12.2019)
No. of outsourced pest control contracts	19	19	19	19	19
Total amount paid to outsourced service providers	\$262.6 million	\$268.1 million	\$276.8 million	\$320.6 million	\$346.3 million ^{Note 1}
No. of staff engaged by outsourced service providers ^{Note 2}					
· Total	1 672	1 672	1 756	1 788	1 862
· Supervisor	285	285	299	303	310
· Workman	1 387	1 387	1 457	1 485	1 552
Monthly salary range of outsourced staff ^{Note 3}					
· >\$30,000	-	-	-	-	-
· \$20,001-\$30,000	-	-	-	-	-
· \$16,001-\$20,000	-	-	-	-	-
· \$13,001-\$16,000	-	-	-	-	-
· \$10,001-\$13,000	114	169	282	326	935
· \$9,001-\$10,000	666	839	911	883	617
· \$8,001-\$9,000	892	664	480	416	-

Note 1: The revised estimate for 2019-20.

Note 2: The number of staff engaged by the outsourced service providers is the number of functional posts specified in the contracts.

Note 3: Only the monthly salary range of non-skilled workers is available. The Department does not keep information on the hourly salary range of the respective workers.

(c) Market Cleansing (including market cleansing and market management services)

	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20 (as at 31.12.2019)
No. of outsourced market cleansing contracts	20	20	20	21	21
Total amount paid to outsourced service providers	\$176.8 million	\$176.2 million	\$176.7 million	\$190.9 million	\$208.1 million ^{Note 1}
No. of staff engaged by outsourced service providers ^{Note 2}					
· Total	1 211	1 200	1 171	1 265	1 262
· Supervisor	180	180	182	197	195
· Workman	1 031	1 020	989	1 068	1 067
Monthly salary range of outsourced staff ^{Note 3}					
· >\$30,000	-	-	-	-	-
· \$20,001-\$30,000	-	-	-	-	-
· \$16,001-\$20,000	-	-	-	-	-
· \$13,001-\$16,000	-	-	-	-	-
· \$10,001-\$13,000	62	49	36	-	132
· \$9,001-\$10,000	28	60	54	522	942
· \$8,001-\$9,000	1 121	1 091	1 000	553	-

Note 1: The revised estimate for 2019-20.

Note 2: The number of staff engaged by the outsourced service providers is the number of functional posts specified in the contracts.

Note 3: Only the monthly salary range of non-skilled workers is available. The Department does not keep information on the hourly salary range of the respective workers.

(d) Waste Collection

	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20 (as at 31.12.2019)
No. of outsourced waste collection contracts	16	18	16	16	16
Total amount paid to outsourced service providers	\$172.5 million	\$205.8 million	\$210.0 million	\$207.6 million	\$212.5 million ^{Note 1}
No. of staff engaged by outsourced service providers ^{Note 2}					
· Total	292	328	322	322	320
· Supervisor	185	207	208	210	208
· Workman	107	121	114	112	112
Monthly salary range of outsourced staff ^{Note 3}					
· >\$30,000	-	-	-	-	-
· \$20,001-\$30,000	-	-	10	10	10
· \$16,001-\$20,000	1	1	1	1	1
· \$13,001-\$16,000	32	121	149	130	130
· \$10,001-\$13,000	93	66	40	44	40
· \$9,001-\$10,000	35	59	60	60	94
· \$8,001-\$9,000	131	81	49	41	-

Note 1: The revised estimate for 2019-20.

Note 2: The number of staff engaged by the outsourced service providers is the number of functional posts specified in the contracts.

Note 3: Only the monthly salary range of non-skilled workers is available. The Department does not keep information on the hourly salary range of the respective workers.

(e) Recyclables Collection

	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20 (as at 31.12.2019)
No. of outsourced recyclables collection contracts	2	2	2	3	3
Total amount paid to outsourced service providers	\$12.7 million	\$12.8 million	\$13.2 million	\$18.0 million	\$21.0 million ^{Note 1}
No. of staff engaged by outsourced service providers ^{Note 2}					
· Total	38	38	38	38	38
· Supervisor	17	17	17	20	20
· Workman	21	21	21	18	18
Monthly salary range of outsourced staff ^{Note 3}					
· >\$30,000	-	-	-	-	-
· \$20,001-\$30,000	-	-	-	-	-
· \$16,001-\$20,000	-	1	1	-	-
· \$13,001-\$16,000	-	-	-	4	4
· \$10,001-\$13,000	16	25	25	14	14
· \$9,001-\$10,000	-	-	-	-	-
· \$8,001-\$9,000	22	12	12	-	-

Note 1: The revised estimate for 2019-20.

Note 2: The number of staff engaged by the outsourced service providers is the number of functional posts specified in the contracts.

Note 3: Only the monthly salary range of non-skilled workers is available. The Department does not keep information on the hourly salary range of the respective workers.

(f) Animal Carcass Collection

	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20 (as at 31.12.2019)
No. of outsourced animal carcass collection contracts	1	1	1	1	1
Total amount paid to outsourced service providers	\$4.9 million	\$4.8 million	\$4.7 million	\$4.8 million	\$4.8 million ^{Note 1}
No. of staff engaged by outsourced service providers ^{Note 2}					
· Total	10	11	11	12	12
· Supervisor	5	6	6	7	7
· Workman	5	5	5	5	5
Monthly salary range of outsourced staff ^{Note 3}					
· >\$30,000	-	-	-	-	-
· \$20,001-\$30,000	-	-	-	-	-
· \$16,001-\$20,000	-	-	-	-	-
· \$13,001-\$16,000	-	-	-	-	-
· \$10,001-\$13,000	5	6	6	5	5
· \$9,001-\$10,000	-	-	-	-	-
· \$8,001-\$9,000	5	5	5	-	-

Note 1: The revised estimate for 2019-20.

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