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>: (-) Not specified

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

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

Question:

Please provide the number of Workmen II currently employed, and the number, post(s), minimum salary point(s), maximum salary point(s), average weekly working hours, meal time(s) and travelling and hardship allowances of those who take up non-technical duties under inclement weather.

Asked by: Hon CHENG Chung-tai (LegCo internal reference no.: 125)

Reply:

As at 1 March 2021, there were 2 764 Workmen II (WMII) working in the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department. All of them took up non-technical duties, including public cleansing duties, pest control services, duties relating to disposal of dead bodies and cemeteries and crematoria services, as well as other manual work in offices and facilities managed by the Department. The minimum pay point of WMII is Model Scale 1 Pay Scale Point 0 (\$13,730 per month) and the maximum pay point is Model Scale 1 Pay Scale Point 8 (\$16,175 per month). Their average working hours per week are 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.