

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2010-11

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Question :

The Buildings Department (BD) plans to develop a web-based system for retrieval of minor works records in the form of electronic images in 2010-11. What is the expenditure required? When is the system expected to complete? Will the BD charge public users of the system for cost recovery, or will the system be free for public use?

Asked by : Hon. CHEUNG Hok-ming

Reply :

The estimated cost for setting up the web-based system for retrieval and viewing of minor works records in the form of electronic images is \$4.1 million and the estimated recurrent cost is about \$0.3 million per annum. The system will be ready for official launch to dovetail with the commencement of the minor works control system within 2010. The users of the system will be required to pay fees which shall be determined on a full cost recovery basis.

Signature _____

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