

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2010-11

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

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Head : 82 Buildings Department Subhead (No. & title) :

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Programme : Buildings and Building Works

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Question :

- (a) Please provide information on outsourced services (including property management, security, cleansing, telecommunications and information technology, statistics, etc., but excluding construction works) as set out below:

	2010-11	2009-10	2008-09	2007-08
Number of outsourced service contracts	()	()	()	()
Total sum of outsourced service contracts	()	()	()	()
Total number of staff engaged under outsourced service contracts	()	()	()	()
Number of staff engaged under outsourced service contracts to be replaced by civil servants	()	()	()	()

Figures in () denote year-on-year changes

- (b) For the coming three years (i.e. 2010-11 to 2012-13), how many posts under outsourced service contracts may be replaced by employment of permanent staff by the Government?

Asked by : Hon. WONG Kwok-hing

Reply :

(a) Details of the outsourced services engaged by the Buildings Department (BD) are as follows:

	2009-10	2008-09	2007-08
Number of outsourced service contracts ^{Note 1}	3 (0%)	3 (0%)	3
Total sum of outsourced service contracts (million)	\$3.250 (-17.5%)	\$3.940 (+13.1%)	\$3.483
Total number of staff engaged under outsourced service contracts	18	18	10 ^{Note 2}
Number of staff engaged under outsourced service contracts to be replaced by civil servants	0	0	0

Note 1 The three contracts are for security service, cleansing service and maintenance services on engineering systems and equipment.

Note 2 The total number of staff engaged under outsourced service contracts for 2007-08 exclude the number of staff engaged under the contract for cleansing service, as the number of staff was not specified in the contract.

Note 3 Figures in brackets denote percentage increase/decrease from the previous year.

For 2010-11, the three contracts will continue, and the cleansing one will expire in May 2010. The three contracts involve a total contract sum of \$3.302 million and 18 staff members. The BD will invite tenders for the provision of cleansing service beyond May 2010.

(b) The BD currently has no plan to replace the outsourced services by employment of permanent staff.

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