

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**DEVB(PL)290****(Question Serial No. 6074)**

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Question:

In the financial year of 2017-2018, what are the manpower, establishment and estimated operational expenses of the Joint Office?

What is the number of staff responsible for handling cases of Kowloon East (Kwun Tong and Wong Tai Sin districts)?

Asked by: Hon TSE Wai-chun, Paul (Member Question No. 74)

Reply:

The staff establishment and the estimated expenditures of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) and the Buildings Department (BD) for the operation of the Joint Office (JO) in 2017-18 are tabulated below –

FEHD

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| Number of investigation staff | 220 |
| Staff cost and departmental expenses (\$ million) | 94 (estimated) |

BD

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| Number of professional and technical staff | 64 |
| Staff cost and departmental expenses (\$ million) | 33 (estimated) |
| Expenditure for engaging outsourced consultants (\$ million) | 30 (estimated) |

The JO staff involved in the handling of water seepage cases for Kowloon East (Kwun Tong and Wong Tai Sin districts) include ten BD staff (who have to dealt with seepage cases of three other districts as well) and 24 FEHD staff.

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