

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2003-04
**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
WRITTEN/SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTION**

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Programme : Buildings and Building Works

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Question :

To cope with all its work in 2003-04, the Buildings Department will increase its estimated expenditure by only 2.7% and even delete 36 permanent posts in its establishment. Are the allocated resources sufficient to meet the work requirements? Will the results of the work and the staff's performance be affected?

Asked by : Hon. LEUNG Yiu-chung

Reply :

The modest increase in financial provision and the deletion of 36 permanent posts in 2003-04 will not affect the Buildings Department's ability to meet its operational commitments. The 36 permanent posts to be deleted were created on a time-limited basis. The Buildings Department has been allocated sufficient resources for its core functions.

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