Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2003-04

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION

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Question : The Lands Department plans to allocate an amount of $1,289 million in 2003 for land acquisition/clearance. How much of this allocation will be used for clearing the sites under its control so as to prevent the breeding of mosquitoes and the spread of dengue fever?

Asked by: Hon. LAU Wong-fat

Reply:

To assist in the prevention of mosquito breeding and the spread of dengue fever, Lands Department plans to spend about $10 million in 2003-04 on contracting out work involving grass-cutting, rubbish clearance and levelling of sites under its control. This amount is not paid out from the sum of $1,289 million, which is the estimated expenditure in 2003 for the acquisition/clearance of private lots/government land relating to government projects.

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