

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

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Head: 91 Lands Department      Subhead(No. & title):

Programme:                    (1) Land Administration

Controlling Officer:    Director of Lands

Director of Bureau:    Secretary for Housing, Planning and Lands

Question :    In order to eliminate the breeding of mosquitoes and prevent the spread of dengue fever, the Lands Department cleaned up 607 sites under its management in 2002. Will the Government inform this Council whether the number of cleaning-up sites mentioned above has been included in the 2 430 government sites cleared and guarded in 2002? For the 2 430 government sites which the Government plans to clear and guard in 2003, do they include additional ones to be cleared due to the outbreak of contagious diseases?

Asked by:    Hon. LAU Ping-cheung

Reply:        The 2 430 government sites which Lands Department cleared and guarded in 2002 included the 607 sites cleaned up to help prevent mosquito breeding and the spread of dengue fever. The estimated 2 430 government sites which Lands Department plans to clear and guard in 2003 include any new sites to be cleared to prevent mosquito breeding.

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