

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2003-04

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO  
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Question: Will TDD outsource its work to private consultancy firms in 2003-2004? If yes, what is the percentage of work outsourced? What are the details and amount involved in the outsourced work?

Asked by: Hon. HO Chun-yan, Albert

Reply: In 2003-2004, TDD has no provision to employ private consultants under Head 110.

However, the department has already engaged or planned to employ private consultants under Capital Works Reserve Fund to deliver about 75% of its projects related to the provision of land and infrastructure in new towns and urban development areas. The work outsourced to the consultants mainly comprises feasibility studies, engineering investigation, detailed design, tender documentation, assessment of tenders and contract management. In 2003-2004, we forecast to spend about \$200 million on consultants' fees for projects managed by TDD.

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