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Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2004-05
**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

Head : 138 Government Secretariat:
Housing, Planning and Lands Bureau
(Planning and Lands Branch)

Subhead (No. & title) :

Programme : (2) Buildings, Lands and Planning

Controlling Officer : Permanent Secretary for Housing, Planning and Lands
(Planning and Lands)

Director of Bureau : Secretary for Housing, Planning and Lands

Question : Under Subhead 000, the estimated Departmental Expenses for 2004-05 amount to a total of \$33,954,000, covering temporary staff, honoraria for members of committees and general departmental expenses. In this connection, could the Government inform this Committee of the relevant details?

Asked by : Hon. LAU Ping-cheung

Reply :

Details of the estimated Departmental Expenses for 2004-05 are appended below –

Item	(\$'000)
Temporary Staff	14,087
- Funding of the Graduate Training Scheme for graduate trainees and the Vacation Training Scheme for post-secondary students	
Honoraria for members of committees	1,527
- Payment of honoraria to the Chairmen and Members of the Appeal Tribunal (Buildings), the Town Planning Appeal Board and the Home Purchase Allowance Appeals Committee	

Item	(\$'000)
General departmental expenses	18,340
- Expenses for the day-to-day running of the Bureau, such as administration, stores and equipment, salary of SHPL, temporary staff, IT network communication equipment and related expenses, and hire of services, etc.	
Total :	33,954

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Date _____ 18 March 2004