

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

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Question: Regarding the key performance measures in respect of land administration – Clearance of environmental black spots on private and government land in the New Territories, what section/unit will be responsible for the clearance of environmental black spots in the New Territories upon the disbandment of the Task Force (Black Spots) Team? What are the arrangements to be made by the Department for such work in 2004? What will be the amount of expenses involved?

Asked by: Hon. TAM Yiu-chung

Reply:

The Task Force (Black Spots) Team, whose funding is up to 31 March 2004, has accomplished its mission of cleaning up the major environmental black spots in the New Territories. The residual work will be taken over by the concerned District Lands Offices in 2004-05 and we will strengthen the manpower of these District Lands Offices for the purpose. The amount of expenses for 2004-05 is estimated to be \$6.2 million.

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