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Head : 118 - Planning Department Subhead (No. & title) : 838 – Minor consultancy studies
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Programme : (2) – District Planning
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Controlling Officer : Director of Planning

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Question : Please list out the details and expenditure of each of the minor consultancy studies of the Planning Department in 2003-04 and of those planned for 2004-05.

Asked by : Hon. CHAN Yuen-han

Reply :

Details and expenses of the minor consultancy studies for 2003-04 and 2004-05 are appended below:

<u>Study</u>	Estimated Expenditure in 2003-04 \$'000	Estimated Expenditure in 2004-05 \$'000	Objectives
1. Enhancement of the Territorial and Cross Boundary Transport Models	348	522	To restructure the existing transport models and to incorporate latest parameters collected from recent studies.
2. Updating of "Development Intensity" Model	100	600	To update the parameters of the model for assessing the redevelopment potential of buildings in the Metro area.
3. Updating of the Financial Assessment Model under the Urban Renewal Strategy Review	--	730	To enhance the existing broad financial assessment model and update its parameters to provide input to the Urban Renewal Strategy Review.

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4. Survey on Occupancy of Recently Completed Housing Units	--	1,066	To collect data on the level of occupancy and characteristics of occupants in newly completed housing units to provide input for population distribution estimates and other strategic planning activities.
5. Commercial and Industrial Floor Space Utilization Survey	--	1,990	To collect data on the utilization of commercial and industrial floor space for forecasting commercial and industrial floor space requirements and job distribution.
6. Development of Employment Projection Model for Strategic Land Use Planning	--	500	To develop a statistical/econometric model for producing long-term employment projections for strategic land reservation and other planning purposes.

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