

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2005-06
**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

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Controlling Officer : Permanent Secretary for Housing, Planning and
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Question :

In 2004-05, the Planning and Lands Branch conducted preliminary consultation with stakeholders on proposals for resolving the problem of missing or illegible government leases. What is the outcome of the consultation? What is the amount of resources spent on that in 2004-05 and what is the amount of funds allocated in the Estimates for 2005-06? What are the next steps planned by the Administration?

Asked by : Hon. CHEUNG Hok-ming

Reply :

The preliminary consultation we have conducted shows that there is general support for our proposals. Our work plan is to complete the drafting of the proposed legislation for further consultation before taking forward the legislative process.

The above work mainly involves staff costs and is carried out as part of the normal duties of staff in HPLB and the concerned Departments.

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Date _____

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