

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2006-07
**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

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Head: 91 Lands Department

Subhead (No. & title): 700 General non-recurrent
Cleaning up of black spots in
N.T. (block vote)

Programme:

Controlling Officer: Director of Lands

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Housing, Planning and Lands

Question : There are no estimates for 2005-06 and 2006-07 under this subhead. Has the Administration utilised other resources to execute the work concerned? If yes, please advise us of the source of funding and the amount involved; if not, the reasons for not carrying out the work concerned.

Asked by: Hon. CHEUNG Hok-ming

Reply:

The non-recurrent block vote under subhead 700 for cleaning up of black spots in the New Territories was created for provision of the task force (black spots) under a specific ten-year programme from 1994 to 2004. The team was disbanded on 1 April 2004 and the residual work has been subsumed under the routine land administration work of District Lands Office/Yuen Long (DLO/YL) and District Lands Office/North. In this regard, we have redeployed one team of land grade staff to DLO/YL as most of the residual cases are situated within Yuen Long district.

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