

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2007-08

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Head: 91 Lands Department

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Question: In 2007-08, the Lands Department is prepared to establish a new management services team to ensure compliance with performance standards. What will be the manpower and expenditure involved? What is the scope of work of the team?

Asked by: Hon. LI Kwok-ying

Reply:

The new management services team (MST), to work under the supervision of a directorate officer of the Department, will comprise four non-directorate posts. The estimated annual salary expenditure involved is \$2.7 million. This will be absorbed by the existing resources of the Department. The MST will initially focus on work relating to land control, lease enforcement, and management of short-term tenancies. Consideration will be given to expanding its scope of work in the light of the operational experience gained.

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