

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

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Head : 60 - Highways Department

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Programme :

Controlling Officer : Director of Highways

Director of Bureau : Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works

Question : Regarding the Civil Service Provident Fund contribution under Personnel Related Expenses, the estimated expenditure for 2006-07 is \$623,000, which is significantly higher than the revised estimate of \$239,000 for 2005-06. What are the reasons and what is the number of staff involved?

Asked by : Hon. CHEUNG Hok-ming

Reply : The increase is due to –

- (a) the full-year effect of the Civil Service Provident Fund (CSPF) contribution for five serving officers who were transferred to New Permanent Terms (NPT) in August 2005; and
- (b) the CSPF contribution for five other serving officers to whom the Highways Department plans to offer transfer to NPT in 2006-07.

Signature _____

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