

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2007-08
**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

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Programme : (2) District and Maintenance

Controlling Officer : Director of Highways

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

Question :

Please provide figures in respect of damaged and stolen road furniture in 2006-07 as well as the incurred losses.

Asked by : Hon. LI Wah-ming, Fred

Reply :

A breakdown of road furniture damaged or stolen in 2006-07 is as follows:

Category of road furniture	Damaged ⁱ		Stolen ⁱⁱ	
	Quantity	Cost (\$)	Quantity	Cost (\$)
Traffic signs	879 nos.	435,620	25 nos.	34,085
Gully grating	5 nos.	3,810	3 nos.	1,580
U-channel grating	2 nos.	400	2 nos.	1,300
Railing/fencing	9 875 metres	4,574,100	36 metres	23,635
Total cost	-	5,013,930	-	60,600

Notes:

- (i) The cost of replacing the damaged road furniture would be recovered from the owners of vehicles involved in the traffic accidents.
- (ii) There are provisions in some of the term contracts that the contractors have to bear the cost for replacing the stolen furniture. Therefore, the loss to Government could be less than that indicated.

Signature _____

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Date _____ 16 March 2007