## Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2010-11

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## CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION

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## Question:

Please provide the following information on the use of outsourced services (including property management, security, cleansing, information technology, survey, etc., but excluding outsourced construction works):

	2010-11	2009-10	2008-09	2007-08
Number of outsourcing service contracts	( )	( )	( )	( )
Total contract sum of the outsourcing service	( )	( )	( )	( )
contracts				
Total number of staff employed under the	( )	( )	( )	( )
outsourcing service contracts				
Number of posts under outsourcing service	( )	( )	( )	( )
contract replaced with civil servants				

Figures in ( ) denote year-on-year changes

How many posts under outsourcing service contract could be replaced with staff appointed on permanent terms by the Government in the coming three years (i.e. 2010-11 to 2012-13)?

Asked by: Hon. WONG Kwok-hing

## Reply:

a.

	2010-11	2009-10	2008-09	2007-08
	(Note 1)			
Number of outsourcing service contracts	-	65	42	39
(Note 2)		(+55%)	(+8%)	
Total contract sum of the outsourcing	-	\$15.73	\$13.08	\$9.62
service contracts (\$million)		(+20%)	(+36%)	
(Note 3)				
Total number of staff employed under the	-	134	144	101
outsourcing service contracts (Note 4)		(-7%)	(+43%)	
Number of posts under outsourcing service	-	-	-	-
contract replaced with civil servants				

Figures in ( ) denote year-on-year changes

- Note 1: Figures are not available as the number of outsourcing services varies from time to time in the light of changing service and operational requirements.
- Note 2: The figures represent the number of contracts awarded for the year while the duration of each contract may vary in the light of operational requirements.
- Note 3: The figures represent the sum of the value of the contracts awarded for the year (in million).
- Note 4: The figures represent the approximate number of staff employed under the outsourcing service contracts.
- b. As the need for outsourcing services varies from time to time, we have no plan to change the outsourcing mode of service delivery by employing civil servants in the coming three years.

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