

JUDICIARY

ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT 2001

Judiciary Administrator's Message

This is the third Environmental Report of the Judiciary. In the past year, we have introduced some further initiatives to help protect the environment. These are covered in this report, together with our performance in 2001 as well as our plans and targets for 2002.

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Judiciary Administrator

ENVIRONMENTAL GOAL AND POLICY

The Judiciary is committed to ensuring that its operations are conducted in an environmentally responsible manner.

We act consciously in minimising waste, conserving energy, promoting "reuse" and "recycle" of resources, and promoting staff awareness and participation in conserving the environment.

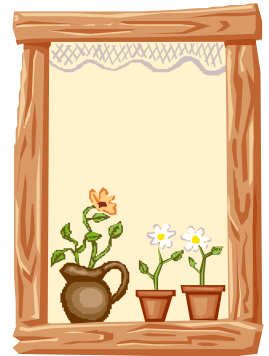
ENVIRONMENTAL MEASURES ADOPTED

Examples of our continued efforts in minimising waste, conserving energy, recycling waste and promoting awareness and participation amongst staff include –

- ☒ Minimising the use of paper and paper products
- ☒ Promoting the use of e-mail for communication
- ☒ Promoting circulation of documents on computer network database
- ☒ Saving energy consumption on lighting, air-conditioning and other electrical equipment and appliances



- ☒ Collecting waste paper and printer cartridges for recycling
- ☒ Creating smoke-free work/court environment
- ☒ Appointing Green Executives and regular reporting on performance
- ☒ Enhancing staff awareness and promoting staff participation
- ☒ Encouraging staff suggestions about green measures



ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE IN 2001

Major Environmental Activities and Initiatives in 2001

In support of our efforts as quoted above, there were initiatives taken and activities organised in 2001. Highlights of some of these initiatives and activities are reported below -

☒ ***Creating greener environment***

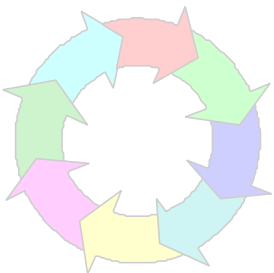
- ☆ Over 200 pots of plants were provided to offices and public areas of court buildings from July 2001
- ☆ The public canteen in the High Court Building was made a no-smoking canteen in November 2001

☒ ***Promoting waste separation and recycling***

- ☆ Provision of separation bins for collecting paper, plastic bottles and aluminum in court buildings was introduced in June 2001

☒ ***Organising promotional activities***

- ☆ A “Clean Country Park” activity took place at Clear Water Bay Country Park on 20 October 2001. 35 Judiciary staff members participated
- ☆ A Green Management Workshop was held on 27 November 2001. 30 Judiciary Green Executives exchanged views on the green measures implemented and proposed initiatives to further enhance green management in the Judiciary

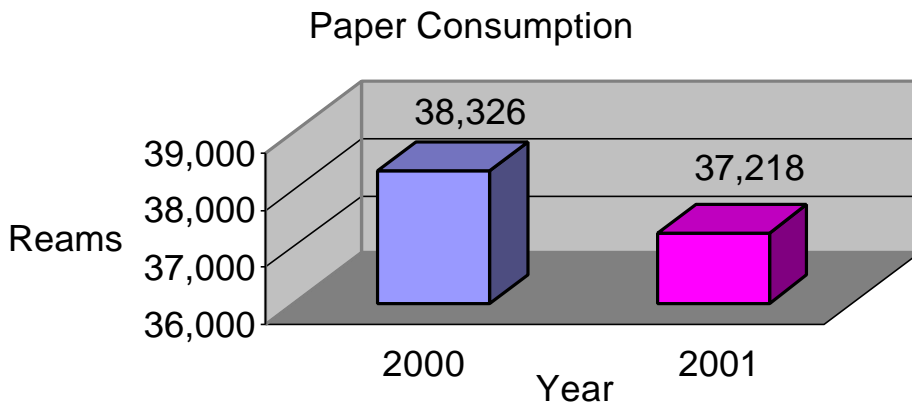


Environmental Performance vs Targets for 2001

Paper Consumption (Target : 2% Reduction)

Thanks to the co-operation of all Judiciary colleagues, the total paper consumption has further reduced by 3% when compared with 2000.

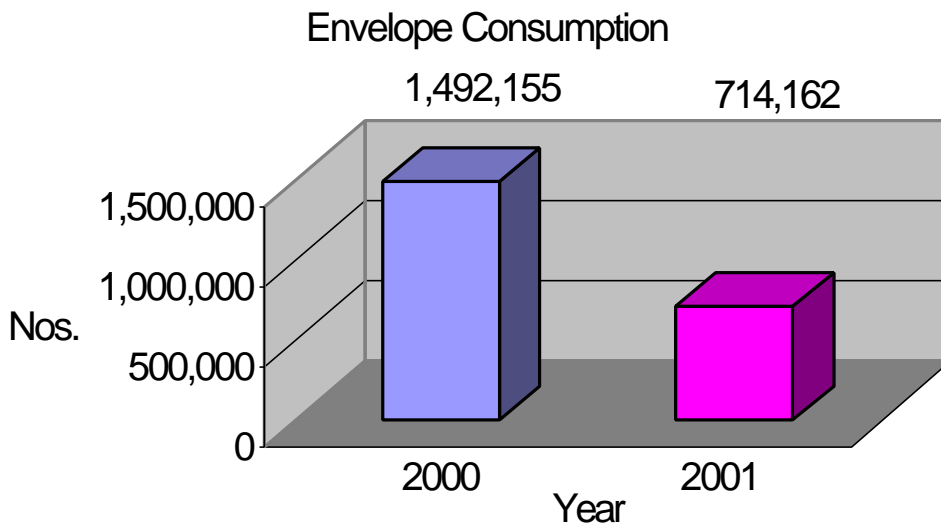
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Envelope Consumption (Target : 2% Reduction)

The number of envelopes consumed in 2001 has decreased significantly by 52% when compared with 2000, mainly due to a much reduced use of envelopes for transmitting documents.

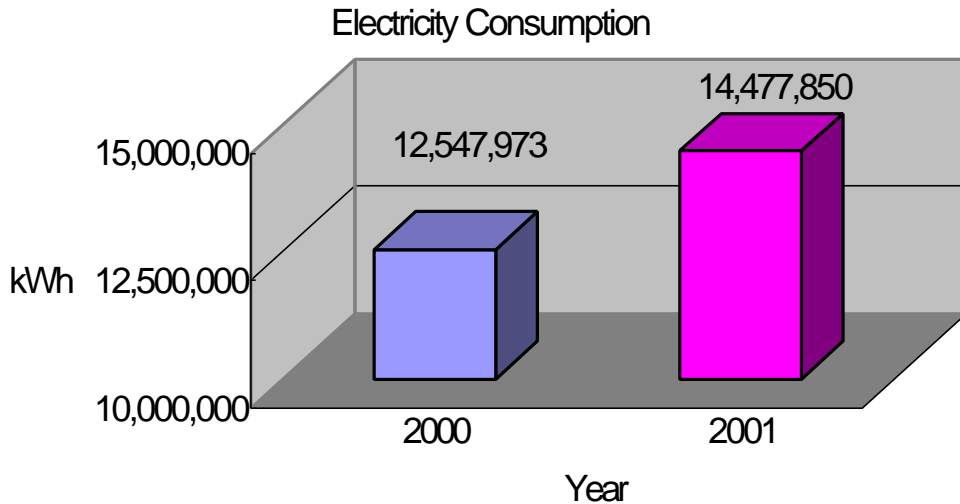
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Electricity Consumption (Target : 1% Reduction)

The electricity consumption has increased by 15% as compared with 2000. This is mainly due to the opening in July 2001 of the Kowloon City Law Courts Building which is a much bigger building than the old San Po Kong Magistracy Building.

TARGET NOT ACHIEVED



Waste Paper Collection (Target : 4% Increase)

The volume of waste paper collected has increased by 9% as compared with 2000.

TARGET ACHIEVED



OBJECTIVES AND TARGETS FOR 2002

Potential Areas for Improvement

The Judiciary will continue to adopt effective measures of green management. For the year 2002, we plan to make further efforts in the following aspects of environmental protection –

- ☒ Make greater efforts in reducing paper and envelope consumption by taking forward the proposed initiatives developed in the Green Management Workshop
- ☒ Promote waste separation and recycling by providing more separation bins for collection of paper, plastic bottles and aluminium cans in court buildings
- ☒ Organise at least two activities to promote staff awareness and participation in protecting the environment

Targets for 2002

The Judiciary is committed to further improving its environmental performance in the year 2002. We aim at achieving in 2002 the following –

- ☒ 2% reduction in paper consumption
- ☒ 2% reduction in envelope consumption
- ☒ 2% increase in waste paper collection

As for electricity consumption, a Work Improvement Team will be set up to look into the question of increased electricity consumption.



COMMENTS

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