

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2004-05  
**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO  
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Head : 44 Environmental Protection Department  
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Question : Will the work to be carried out in 2004-05 in seeking to maintain satisfactory air quality cover measures to improve indoor air quality? If yes, what are the details and the departmental staff resources and expenditure involved? If no, what are the reasons?

Asked by : Hon. CHOY So-yuk

Reply : The work under the Air Programme includes programmes for promoting and improving indoor air quality. In 2004-05, EPD will continue to:

- (a) manage an Indoor Air Quality Information Centre to promote the importance of good indoor air quality and disseminate relevant information to the public as well as professionals; and
- (b) coordinate an Indoor Air Quality Certification Scheme that has commenced since September 2003. Under the Scheme, office buildings and public places meeting "good" and "excellent" levels can be issued a corresponding certificate by qualified personnel.

The budget for the above work in 2004-05 is \$0.725 million. The work is managed by and shared among 3 professional staff.

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