

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2004-05  
**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO  
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Programme :                      (7) Community Relations

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Question : Under this Subhead 700, Item 567 is to enhance education and community involvement in waste reduction. What is included in this programme? Will it overlap with the projects supported by the Environment and Conservation Fund?

Asked by : Hon. CHOY So-yuk

Reply : This programme started in financial year 2002-03. A series of publicity, outreach and environmental education programmes have been organized to enhance public education and community involvement in waste recycling and recovery, including:

- (1) publicity programmes such as TV productions, development of education materials for the general public and cartoons for children;
- (2) outreach programmes using the Mobile Environmental Resource Centre;
- (3) production of environmental education kits to supplement school curricula for primary and secondary schools; and
- (4) provision of support to community groups in organizing waste recovery schemes.

The activities under this programme are mainly environmental awareness and education programmes which are different from those projects funded by the Environment and Conservation Fund, through which community groups carry out community waste recovery projects themselves.

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