

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2008-09
**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

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Head : 30 Correctional Services Department

Subhead (No & title) :

Programme : (2) Re-integration

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Correctional Services

Director of Bureau : Secretary for Security

Question :

Under this programme, the Administration provides education and vocational training to young prisoners and inmates to enhance their opportunities of gainful employment on release. Are there any prisoners who have been unsuccessful in applying for computer courses? If yes, what are the reasons and the number of prisoners involved?

Asked by : Hon. LAU Wai-hing, Emily

Reply :

The Correctional Services Department provides half-day compulsory education and half-day vocational training to young prisoners and inmates ("young offenders") who are under the age of 21. Young offenders are given computer training as part of the education curriculum or in the form of vocational training. None of them have been unsuccessful in applying for these courses.

Signature	
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