

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

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Head : 30 Correctional Services Department

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Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Correctional Services

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Question :

The Mandatory Provident Fund contribution by the Correctional Services Department has been significantly revised to \$3,081,000 from the original \$4,284,000 in 2007-08, would the Administration inform this Council of:

1. the reasons;
2. the staff wastage in 2007-08 in terms of rank and institution. If the staff wastage is high, what are the reasons; and
3. the establishment by rank in 2008-09 and the number of staff retiring in the coming three years?

Asked by : Hon. LI Fung-ying

Reply :

1. The downward adjustment in the revised estimate is mainly due to the smaller number of new recruits in 2007-08 than originally estimated when the 2007-08 Estimates were prepared in October 2006.
2. Staff wastage by rank of the Department in 2007-08 is as follows:

Rank	No. of Posts
Directorate	1
Disciplined Grade:	
Senior Superintendent of Correctional Services	2
Superintendent of Correctional Services / Superintendent of Correctional Services Industries	4
Chief Officer / Chief Industrial Officer	4
Principal Officer / Principal Industrial Officer	11
Officer / Industrial Officer	37
Assistant Officer I	94
Assistant Officer II	63
Technical Instructor	6
Instructor	5
General Grade & Common Grade	22
Total :	249

