

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2007-08
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Question :

What were the details of and expenditure for the rehabilitation strategies and re-integration programmes in 2006-07? What are the details of and the estimated expenditure for the same in 2007-08?

Asked by : Hon. LEUNG Yiu-chung

Reply :

The rehabilitation and reintegration programmes run by the Correctional Services Department (CSD) for prisoners, inmates and supervisees include pre-sentencing assessment, programme services, psychological services, education programme, vocational training and supervision services.

The revised estimated expenditure for the rehabilitation and re-integration programmes in 2006-07 and the corresponding estimates for 2007-08 are \$446.1 million and \$460.8 million respectively. The major initiatives are as follows : –

- (a) The Department has established, on a trial basis, a pre-release vocational training centre for adult prisoners at Lai Sun Correctional Institution (LSCI) since July 2006, to enhance adult prisoners' employability after discharge, thereby facilitating their reintegration into the community. The centre aims to provide full-time market-oriented vocational training for male adult offenders in custody. CSD will continue to monitor closely the operation of the pre-release vocational training centre and strengthen its training programmes; and

- (b) The Department has been implementing the Risks and Needs Assessment and Management Protocol for Offenders since October 2006. The Protocol provides a scientific and evidence-based approach to custodial management and offender rehabilitation. We will embark on rehabilitative programme matching for target offenders in 2007 in inmate centres, namely the detention centre, drug addiction treatment centres, training centres and rehabilitation centres.

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