

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

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Programme: (1) Prison Management

Controlling Officer: Commissioner of Correctional Services (YAU Chi-chiu)

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Question:

Please set out in detail the following figures, including the nationality involved and sex ratio, in the past 5 years:

1. the number of transgendered persons / (whose gender is indicated as X in passports);
2. the number of cases involving special confinement in each reception centre, correctional institution, prison, rehabilitation centre and Siu Lam Psychiatric Centre, and the reasons for special confinement;
3. in connection with the above, what is the staff establishment and financial resources required? Is the manpower sufficient for handling the existing number of cases? What is the expenditure involved?

Asked by: Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Member Question No. 752)

Reply:

From 2011 to 2015, there were 100 admissions of transgendered persons into the custody of the Correctional Services Department, including 39 admissions of Hong Kong permanent residents, 5 from the Mainland, 24 from the Philippines, 29 from Thailand and 3 from other regions.

The numbers of disciplinary cases involving persons in custody (PICs) being imposed separate confinement as punishment and cases involving PICs being removed from association with other PICs in the past 5 years are listed below:

Year	Disciplinary cases involving PICs being imposed separate confinement as punishment	Cases involving PICs being removed from association with other PICs <sup>(Note 1)</sup>
2015	2 905	1 267
2014	2 715	1 417
2013	2 423	1 382
2012	2 508	1 671
2011	2 477	1 856

(Note 1) To deter the smuggling of dangerous drugs into correctional institutions, more than 50% of the above cases involved PICs suspected of having internal concealment of dangerous drugs and they were removed from association with other PICs as a security measure. Separately, there were nearly 10% of the cases that involved PICs taking the initiative to apply for removal from association in view of their own circumstances such as special criminal background.

As the management of PICs being imposed separate confinement is part of the daily management work of CSD, separate figures on the staff establishment in handling PICs being imposed separate confinement and the expenditure involved are not available.

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