

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**SB324****(Question Serial No. 4853)**Head: (30) Correctional Services DepartmentSubhead (No. & title): ()Programme: Not SpecifiedControlling Officer: Commissioner of Correctional Services (WOO Ying-ming)Director of Bureau: Secretary for SecurityQuestion:

In the coming financial year, what are the estimated expenditure and work plan for the new item "Replacement and enhancement of the closed circuit television system for Pik Uk Prison"? Why is the funding for this item sought in the context of the Appropriation Bill 2018, instead of separately sought from the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council?

Asked by: Hon CHEUNG Chiu-hung, Fernando (LegCo internal reference no.: 2000)Reply:

The funding for the project of replacement and enhancement of the closed circuit television (CCTV) system for Pik Uk Prison was approved by the Legislative Council (LegCo) in the context of the Appropriation Bill 2018 last year. The project includes the installation of a new and enhanced digital CCTV system and 639 high resolution cameras. The system will be installed with a server, a video storage system, network equipment and uninterrupted power supply etc. It is expected to come into operation in 2022. The commitment for this item is \$37,409,000 and the latest estimated cash flow is as follows:

Financial Year	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Total
Estimated Expenditure (\$'000)	475	1,267	2,058	33,609	37,409

It is not a new arrangement to include in the draft Estimates funding proposals for creating commitments or increasing approved commitments under the General Revenue Account, for consideration by the LegCo in the context of the Appropriation Bill. The Government explained the relevant arrangements to the Finance Committee in early 2015. We have also included the necessary provision for this proposal under the respective head and sub-head of expenditure for Members' consideration.