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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Question:

Please list the prices of various canteen items in correctional institutions. By comparing the current basic level of earnings of persons in custody (PICs) with the prices of canteen items, what is the percentage of earnings spent on purchasing basic necessities by PICs? How often are the prices of canteen items in correctional institutions reviewed? What criteria are made reference to?

Asked by: Hon TIK Chi-yuen (LegCo internal reference no.: 288)

Reply:

The canteen items currently available for purchase by persons in custody (PICs) and their prices are listed in **Table**.

PICs may save their earnings or use them to purchase canteen items. The Correctional Services Department (CSD) does not maintain the relevant figures on the percentage of earnings PICs spent on purchasing canteen items.

Canteen items are procured through an open tender exercise. CSD will deduct the payment of the items ordered by individual PICs from the balance of their earnings according to the supplier's contract prices. The prices of various types of canteen items will be subject to review every time CSD arranges for a new contract or whenever it is deemed necessary.

Table

Canteen items available for purchase by PICs					
Item	**Description**	**Price (HK$)**	**Item**	**Description**	**Price (HK$)**
1	Curry Beef Cube	9.81	39	Pencil	1.25
2	BBQ Fried Dough	9.6	40	Exercise Book	2.15
3	Dried Shredded Cuttlefish	7.3	41	Envelope (5 pieces)	1.5
4	Dried Pork	8.5	42	Writing Paper (10 sheets)	3
5	Salted Fried Peanuts	3.53	43	Skin Lotion/Cream	29.7
6	Nam Yue Peanuts	4.14	44	Lip Balm	14.9
7	Mixed Nuts	2.9	45	Baby Powder	14.3
8	Fried Broad Beans	7.15	46	Baby Oil	28.9
9	Corn Flakes	5.5	47	Shampoo (400 ml)	25.2
10	Preserved Mandarin Orange Peel	6.42	48	Shampoo (200 ml)	29.3
11	Liquoriced Red Ginger	2.62	49	Hair Conditioner	26.7
12	Cream Sandwich Biscuits-Chocolate flavour	2.7	50	Plastic Hair Comb	2.4
13	Cream Sandwich Biscuits-Peanut flavour	2.7	51	Plastic Soap Box	9.35
14	Crispy Fruit Slices/Biscuits	26.59	52	Toilet Soap	5.17
15	Cream Wafers-Coconut flavour	8.6	53	Toothpaste	18.72
16	Sesame Crackers/Soda Biscuits	5	54	Desensitising Toothpaste	44.99
17	Crisp Biscuits-Orange or lemon flavour	14.19	55	Tooth Brush (Soft)	10.2
18	Saltine Soda Biscuits	8	56	Tooth Brush (Ultra Soft)	14.8
19	Digestive Biscuits	16.8	57	Facial Towel	6.4
20	Spring Onion Crackers	15.8	58	Tissue Paper	5.85
21	Calcium Crackers	14.7	59	Hair Brush	9.8
22	BBQ Flavoured Potato Chips	3.1	60	Plastic Hair Clip (2 pieces)	8.9
23	Cheese Flavoured Snacks	1.4	61	Sanitary Napkins (10 pieces)	23.9
24	Shrimp Sticks	2.97	62	Ear Plugs (1 pair)	19.3
25	Glucose Lemon Flavoured Candies	6.6	63	Double-wall Plastic Cup with lid	28.5
26	Dairy Chocolate Bar	9.7	64	Battery (AA) (2 pieces)	5.5
27	Peanut Chocolate Beans	8.62	65	Battery (AAA) (2 pieces)	5.5
28	Fruit Chewy Soft Candies with Vitamins	12.52	66	Photo Album (4R)	8.7
29	Seedless Raisins	26	67	Stamps($2.2x1+$0.5x1+$0.2x2+0.1x1)	3.2
30	Soya Bean Drink	2.6	68	Aerogrammes (2 pieces)	7.4
31	Malt Soya Bean Drink	3.25	69	Cigarettes (Gentori)	46.45
32	Orange Drink	2.8	70	Cigarettes (Wealth)	50.45
33	Sugar Cane Drink	2.6	71	Deodorant	2.65

34	Chrysanthemum Tea	2.6	72	Mosquito Repellent Patches	26.4
35	Lemon Tea	2.8	73	Oat Crackers	5.76
36	High Calcium Low Fat Milk	5.05	74	Hi-calcium Soya Drink – Original flavour	5.05
37	Plastic Ruler	3.7	75	Body Wash	36.6
38	Ball Pen (blue)	2.4	76	Panty Liners (40 pieces)	16.8

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