

Head 106 — MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES

Controlling officers: expenditure under this Head will be accounted for as follows:

Permanent Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury (Treasury) (Subheads 251, 284, 689 and 789)

Permanent Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury (Financial Services) (Subheads 825 and 826)

Estimate 2024–25	\$7,275.8m
Commitment balance	\$81.5m

Controlling Officers' Report

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Expenditure under this Head is for items which cannot properly be charged to other heads of expenditure. It covers compensation for settlement of claims against the Government and certain ex-gratia payments, and contribution to the Asian Development Fund.

2 Provision is also made for additional commitments to meet unavoidable expenditure that may arise during the year in excess of the amounts provided under other heads of expenditure.

3 These subheads contribute to the following Policy Areas—

<i>Subhead</i>	<i>Policy Area</i>	<i>Responsible Officers</i>
251, 284, 689 and 789	25: Revenue Collection and Financial Control	Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury
825 and 826	1: Financial Services	Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury

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Sub-head (Code)	Actual expenditure 2022-23	Approved estimate 2023-24	Revised estimate 2023-24	Estimate 2024-25
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Operating Account				
Recurrent				
251	—	8,644,000	—	6,125,133
284	89,609	152,743	73,838	163,865
	<u>89,609</u>	<u>8,796,743</u>	<u>73,838</u>	<u>6,288,998</u>
Non-Recurent				
789	—	608,000	—	861,373
825	12,379	9,106	9,080	6,940
826	18,214	21,894	21,829	18,478
	<u>30,593</u>	<u>639,000</u>	<u>30,909</u>	<u>886,791</u>
	<u>120,202</u>	<u>9,435,743</u>	<u>104,747</u>	<u>7,175,789</u>
Capital Account				
Plant, Equipment and Works				
689	—	100,000	—	100,000
	<u>—</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>100,000</u>
	<u>—</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>100,000</u>
	<u>120,202</u>	<u>9,535,743</u>	<u>104,747</u>	<u>7,275,789</u>

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Details of Expenditure by Subhead

The estimate of the amount required in 2024–25 for miscellaneous expenditure which cannot properly be charged to other heads of expenditure is \$7,275,789,000.

Operating Account

Recurrent

2 Provision of \$6,125,133,000 under *Subhead 251 Additional commitments* is to meet funding for initiatives under planning and also any unavoidable recurrent expenditure that may arise during the year in excess of the amounts provided under other heads and subheads of the Estimates. From time to time during the year, when additional provision chargeable to other heads of expenditure is approved, an equivalent amount will be deducted/drawn from this subhead unless savings can be identified elsewhere.

3 Provision of \$163,865,000 under *Subhead 284 Compensation* is for settlement of claims (other than compensation connected with land, public works and mail, and for government employees under the Employees' Compensation Ordinance (Cap. 282)) and for certain ex-gratia payments. The increase of \$90,027,000 (121.9%) over the revised estimate for 2023–24 is to cater for possible requirements in 2024–25.

Non-Recurrent

4 Provision of \$861,373,000 under *Subhead 789 Additional commitments* is to meet funding for initiatives under planning and also any unavoidable non-recurrent expenditure that may arise during the year in excess of the amounts provided under other heads and subheads of the Estimates. From time to time during the year, when additional provision chargeable to other heads of expenditure is approved, an equivalent amount will be deducted/drawn from this subhead unless savings can be identified elsewhere.

Capital Account

Plant, Equipment and Works

5 Provision of \$100 million under *Subhead 689 Additional commitments* is to meet forecast capital expenditure, subvention payments, and any unavoidable capital expenditure that may arise during the year in excess of the amounts provided under other heads and subheads of the Estimates. From time to time during the year, when additional provision chargeable to other heads of expenditure is approved, an equivalent amount will be deducted/drawn from this subhead unless savings can be identified elsewhere.

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Commitments

Sub-head (Code)	Item (Code)	Ambit	Approved commitment	Accumulated expenditure to 31.3.2023	Revised estimated expenditure for 2023–24	Balance
			<u>\$'000</u>	<u>\$'000</u>	<u>\$'000</u>	<u>\$'000</u>
<i>Operating Account</i>						
825	801	Contribution to the 11th replenishment of the Asian Development Fund.....	137,165	112,342	9,080	15,743
826	802	Contribution to the 12th replenishment of the Asian Development Fund.....	126,995	39,365	21,829	65,801
		Total	<u>264,160</u>	<u>151,707</u>	<u>30,909</u>	<u>81,544</u>