

Head 106 — MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES

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

Director of Accounting Services (Subheads 163, 188, 190, 192 and 220)
 Secretary for the Treasury (Subheads 182, 251, 281, 284 and 789)
 Secretary for Commerce and Industry (Subhead 262)
 Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene (Subhead 289)
 Director-General of Trade and Industry (Subhead 296)
 Secretary for the Civil Service (Subheads 769 and 777)
 Secretary for Health and Welfare (Subheads 238, 713 and 778)
 Chief Executive, Hong Kong Monetary Authority (Subheads 795 and 819)

Estimate 2002–03	\$7,554.1m
Capital Account commitment balance	\$193.4m

Controlling Officers' Report

Aim

Expenditure under this Head are for items which cannot properly be charged to other heads of expenditure. It covers the appointment of financial and management consultants, subscription to the World Trade Organisation, administration fees on air passenger departure tax, compensation for settlement of claims against the Government, payment to the Commonwealth War Graves Commission, contribution to the International Textiles and Clothing Bureau, initiatives to inculcate a quality service and customer focused culture in the civil service, expenses of public education on rehabilitation and acceptance of people with disabilities by the community, expenses for purchase of technical aids for civil servants with a disability and contribution to the Asian Development Fund. It also covers write-offs and the transfer to expenditure of irrecoverable advances and losses of cash and stores, losses resulting from the difference in exchange rates, expenditure chargeable to public funds not elsewhere specified, refunds of revenue collected in previous financial years, and the monthly payment of honoraria to Members (other than official members) of the Executive Council.

2 Provision is also made for additional commitments to meet unavoidable expenditure which is expected to be required during the year in excess of the amounts provided under other heads of expenditure, but which cannot at present be determined and allocated with precision.

3 These subheads contribute to the following Policy Areas—

<i>Subhead</i>	<i>Policy Area</i>	<i>Responsible Policy Secretary/ Controlling Officer</i>
163, 182, 188, 190, 192, 220, 251, 281, 284 and 789	25: Revenue Collection and Financial Control	Secretary for the Treasury
262	6: Commerce and Industry	Secretary for Commerce and Industry
289	32: Environmental Hygiene	Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene
296	6: Commerce and Industry	Director-General of Trade and Industry
769 and 777	26: Central Management of the Civil Service	Secretary for the Civil Service
238, 713 and 778	14: Social Welfare	Secretary for Health and Welfare
795 and 819	1: Financial Services	Chief Executive, Hong Kong Monetary Authority

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Sub-head (Code)	Actual expenditure 2000-01	Approved estimate 2001-02	Revised estimate 2001-02	Estimate 2002-03
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Recurrent Account				
IV(a)—Other Charges (other than Additional commitments)				
163	195	100	260	260*
182	50,529	62,062	55,434	57,600
188	5,451	10,000	10,000	10,000*
190	3,048	3,119	2,660	2,436*
192	23,437	30,000	30,000	30,000*
220				
	8,542	8,319	7,524	7,383
238	1,999	1,986	1,986	1,986
262	22,690	26,532	26,532	26,532
281				
	38,163	41,693	36,444	33,903*
284	33,479	54,727	37,787	37,787*
289	227	250	247	270
296				
	504	818	639	738
	2,500	—	—	—
	7,202	—	—	—
	197,966	239,606	209,513	208,895
IV(b)—Other Charges (Additional commitments)				
251	—	4,820,000	—	1,830,000
	—	4,820,000	—	1,830,000
	197,966	5,059,606	209,513	2,038,895
Capital Account				
II(a)—Other Non-Recurrent (other than Additional commitments)				
713	—	—	—	1,500
769	140	500	300	300
777	2,445	1,236	2,363	234
778	2,179	535	316	440
795	14,045	18,100	18,100	19,900
819	—	9,751	9,751	12,872
	5,000	—	—	—
	—	—	10,000	—

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	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Capital Account—Cont'd.				
II(a)— Other Non-Recurrent (other than Additional commitments)—Cont'd.				
Grant to Fu Ning Garden	2,384	547	547	—
Outstanding expenses for Provisional Urban Council Members and Secretariat contract staff	240	—	—	—
Payment to the Samaritan Fund	8,000	—	—	—
Total, Other Non-Recurrent (other than Additional commitments)	34,433	30,669	41,377	35,246
II(b)— Other Non-Recurrent (Additional commitments)				
789 Additional commitments	—	1,500,000	—	5,480,000
Total, Other Non-Recurrent (Additional commitments)	—	1,500,000	—	5,480,000
Total, Capital Account.....	34,433	1,530,669	41,377	5,515,246
Total Expenditure	232,399	6,590,275	250,890	7,554,141

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Details of Expenditure by Subhead

The estimate of the amount required in 2002–03 for miscellaneous expenditure which cannot properly be charged to other heads of expenditure is \$7,554,141,000.

Recurrent Account

Other Charges

2 Provision of \$260,000 under *Subhead 163 Write-offs* is a nominal figure to cover write-offs and the transfer to expenditure of irrecoverable advances and losses of cash and stores.

3 Provision of \$57,600,000 under *Subhead 182 Expenses for the appointment of financial and management consultants* is for the appointment of financial consultants to carry out various financial appraisals and management consultants associated with departmental business reviews and public sector reform initiatives.

4 Provision of \$10,000,000 under *Subhead 188 Difference in exchange* is to cover losses resulting from movements in exchange rates in respect of transactions involving foreign currencies.

5 Provision of \$2,436,000 under *Subhead 190 Other miscellaneous items* is to meet items of expenditure chargeable to public funds not elsewhere specified. These items include reimbursement of certain staff costs to the Housing Authority, and funeral expenses of civil servants and members of the auxiliary services who die on duty. The decrease of \$224,000 (8.4%) against the revised estimate for 2001–02 is mainly due to reduced requirement for reimbursement of staff costs to the Housing Authority in 2002–03.

6 Provision of \$30,000,000 under *Subhead 192 Refunds of revenue* is for refunds of revenue collected in previous financial years.

7 Provision of \$7,383,000 under *Subhead 220 Honoraria for Members of the Executive Council* is for the monthly payment of honoraria to Members (other than official members) of the Executive Council.

8 Provision of \$1,986,000 under *Subhead 238 Public education on rehabilitation* is to meet the annual expenditure of public education activities for promoting and maintaining the community's acceptance of and support to the integration of people with disabilities into the community.

9 Provision of \$1,830,000,000 under *Subhead 251 Additional commitments* is to meet partly the forecast expenditure of a new proposed on-the-job training scheme for the youth, and partly any unavoidable recurrent expenditure that may arise during the year in excess of the amounts provided under other heads and subheads of the Estimates, but which cannot at present be determined and allocated with precision. When, from time to time during the year, additional provision is approved, an equivalent amount under this subhead will be deleted unless savings can be identified elsewhere. Provision for additional commitments in respect of capital expenditure is shown under *Subhead 789*.

10 Provision of \$26,532,000 under *Subhead 262 Subscription to the World Trade Organisation (WTO)* is to meet Hong Kong's annual contribution to the budget of the WTO for 2003 as a member.

11 Provision of \$33,903,000 under *Subhead 281 Air passenger departure tax administration fees* is for the payment to airlines, helicopter companies and the Civil Aviation Department's agent in respect of the collection and the processing of exemption and refund of air passenger departure tax. The decrease of \$2,541,000 (7.0%) against the revised estimate for 2001–02 is mainly due to the full-year effect of the reduction of the administration fees payable to airlines.

12 Provision of \$37,787,000 under *Subhead 284 Compensation* is for settlement of claims (other than compensation connected with land, public works and mail, and for civil servants under the Employees' Compensation Ordinance) and for certain ex-gratia payments.

13 Provision of \$270,000 under *Subhead 289 Commonwealth War Graves Commission* is to meet one-third of the annual expenditure of maintaining the Stanley Military Cemetery in compliance with the terms of a deed signed in January 1957 between the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (formerly the Hong Kong Government) and the Commonwealth War Graves Commission (formerly the Imperial War Graves Commission). The increase of \$23,000 (9.3%) over the revised estimate for 2001–02 is mainly due to the full-year provision for contribution under the Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme.

14 Provision of \$738,000 under *Subhead 296 Contribution to the International Textiles and Clothing Bureau (ITCB)* is to meet Hong Kong's annual contribution to the budget of ITCB. The increase of \$99,000 (15.5%) over the revised estimate for 2001–02 is mainly due to rising ITCB operating budget.

Capital Account

Other Non-Recurrent

15 Provision of \$5,480,000,000 under *Subhead 789 Additional commitments* is to meet partly the forecast expenditure of the proposed Continuing Education Fund, the Community Investment and Inclusion Fund and the Professional Development Assistance Scheme announced in the 2001 Policy Address, and partly any unavoidable

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capital expenditure that may arise during the year in excess of the amounts provided under other heads and subheads of the Estimates, but which cannot at present be determined and allocated with precision. When, from time to time during the year, additional provision is approved, an equivalent amount under this subhead will be deleted unless savings can be identified elsewhere. Provision for additional commitments in respect of recurrent expenditure is shown under *Subhead 251*.

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Capital Account

Commitments

Sub-head (Code)	Item (Code)	Ambit	Approved commitment	Accumulated expenditure to 31.3.2001	Revised estimated expenditure for 2001-02	Balance
			\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
713	601	A major territory-wide publicity campaign to promote "A Society for All" to arouse public attention and acceptance of people with disabilities by all in the community...	1,500	—	—	1,500
769	565	Purchase of technical aids for civil servants with a disability	4,400	1,939	300	2,161
777	580	Initiatives to inculcate a quality service and customer focused culture in the civil service	10,000	7,403	2,363	234
778	581	Public education programme to promote acceptance of people with disabilities by the community	8,000	7,244	316	440
795	579	Contribution to the sixth replenishment of the Asian Development Fund	120,500	30,542	18,100	71,858
819	598	Contribution to the seventh replenishment of the Asian Development Fund	127,000	—	9,751	117,249
		Total	<u>271,400</u>	<u>47,128</u>	<u>30,830</u>	<u>193,442</u>