

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**S-CSTB005****(Question Serial No. SV036)**Head: (95) Leisure and Cultural Services DepartmentSubhead (No. & title): (-) Not SpecifiedProgramme: (2) Horticulture and AmenitiesControlling Officer: Director of Leisure and Cultural Services (Vincent LIU)Director of Bureau: Secretary for Culture, Sports and TourismQuestion:

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department anticipates to commit about \$250 million to engage outsourced horticultural contractors to assist with the daily horticulture maintenance in 2023-24. In this connection, please set out the types of work involved and the breakdown of the estimated costs.

Asked by: Hon LEUNG Mei-fun, PriscillaReply:

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) anticipates to commit about \$250 million to engage outsourced horticultural contractors to assist with the daily horticulture maintenance in 2023-24, details of which are tabulated below:

Type of Service Contract	Amount (\$m)
Horticulture maintenance services contracts (providing daily horticulture maintenance services for the leisure venues and roadside landscaped areas under the management of the LCSD across the 18 districts, covering shrubs, groundcovers, lawns and trees)	201
Tree inspection and survey services contracts (conducting inspections and survey services to trees in areas within 10 metres along non-expressway public roads)	5

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Tree maintenance services contracts (covering maintenance services for trees growing at roadside tree pits in urban areas; and trees in areas within 10 metres along non-expressway public roads)	18
Short-term service contracts (covering urgent and massive tree remedial works after typhoons or inclement weather, such as removal of fallen trees, clearance of hanging twigs and tree debris. Other services include the hiring of hydraulic platform vehicles, applications for temporary traffic arrangement, pest and disease control, compensatory tree planting and conduct of tree risk assessments)	26
Total	250

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