

**Replies to written questions raised by Finance Committee Members in
examining the Draft Estimates of Expenditure 2002-03**

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Question :

Regarding Reply Serial No. ESB044 (Question Serial No. 1064) which reveals that 200 graduates of “tourism-related courses” are recruited to the tourism orientation programme each year, please give your estimation of the number of graduates in 2002-03 and the number of graduates who will continue pursuing their career in tourism.

Asked by: Hon. WU King-cheong, Henry

Reply:

According to the information collected by the Hong Kong Tourism Board from the various education institutes, it is estimated that the number of “tourism-related courses” graduates and the number of graduates who are expected to work for the tourism industry in 2002–03 are as follows –

| <u>Types of programme</u> | <u>Estimated No. of Graduates</u> | <u>Estimated No. of graduates who will work for the tourism industry¹</u> |
|---|-----------------------------------|--|
| - Full-time Degree Courses | 75 | 45 (75 x 60%) |
| - Full-time Higher Diploma Courses | 254 | 203 (254 x 80%) |
| - Full-time Diploma Courses | 447 | 313 (447 x 70%) |
| - Full-time Certificate Courses | 610 | 366 (610 x 60%) |
| Total Full-time Courses | <u>1 386</u> | <u>927</u> |
| - Part-time Degree, Diploma and Certificate Courses (which have more than 70 contact hours) | 285 | 271 (285 x 95%) |
| Total Full time & Part time Courses | <u>1 671</u> | <u>1 198</u> |

¹ The estimated percentages are gathered from the education institutes based on their experience with past graduates.

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