

**Replies to initial written questions raised by Finance Committee Members
in examining the Estimates of Expenditure 2012-13**

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

ICAC001

Question Serial No.

0816

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title):

Programme: (2) Operations

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Question:

In 2012-13, the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) will enhance its manpower, training and liaison with experts from local and overseas law enforcement agencies to strengthen its capabilities in computer forensic investigation. What are the relevant details? How much additional manpower and resources will be required?

Asked by: Hon. LAU Kong-wah

Reply:

The rapid technology advancement has presented new challenges for the computer forensic work of the ICAC. The data storage of the computers seized continues to increase, and the ICAC also has to handle seized mobile devices such as mobile phones, personal digital assistants and tablet computers which are gaining popularity. To address the above requirement, ICAC will create an additional Commission Against Corruption Officer (Middle/Lower) post and an additional Assistant Commission Against Corruption Officer post in the Computer Forensics Section in 2012-13. The additional annual expenditure is estimated to be \$0.96M. We will continue to arrange our officers to receive professional computer forensic training to equip our investigating officers with the latest technology development during the year. Simultaneously, we will enhance liaison with experts from local and overseas law enforcement agencies by exchanging experience and forensic methodologies and techniques at working meetings, with a view to further strengthening our capability in computer forensics to retrieve relevant data from seizures and produce such as admissible evidence in courts.

Signature: _____

Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 27.2.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

ICAC002

Question Serial No.

0817

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title):

Programme: (2) Operations

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Question:

For the 2012 Legislative Council Election, will the Independent Commission Against Corruption arrange additional resources and manpower in 2012-13 to monitor the election? What will be the number of additional officers and amount of additional resources involved, and also the relevant details?

Asked by: Hon. LAU Kong-wah

Reply:

X Group, under the Operations Department of the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC), is responsible for investigating election-related corruption reports. In view of the large amount of vote-rigging complaints relating to the 2011 District Council Election, the ICAC redeployed manpower to establish a special taskforce in December 2011 to analyze and investigate the relevant cases. The ICAC will, in accordance with the practical situation of the complaints concerning the 2012 Legislative Council Election, assess the resources required and make suitable redeployment to prioritise the processing of such cases.

Signature: _____

Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 2.3.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

ICAC003

Question Serial No.

0952

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title):

Programme: (2) Operations

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Question:

The Chief Executive Election and Legislative Council Election are going to be held in 2012. What is the budget of the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) for preventing corrupt practices in election? In view of a total of 1 182 complaints involving the 2011 District Council Election received by the ICAC as at 15 January 2012, will the ICAC cope with the new developments by reviewing its past modes of work in preventing corrupt practices in election and conducting studies on new measures to prevent large-scale corrupt practices from taking place in the 2012 Legislative Council Election?

Asked by: Hon. WONG Yuk-man

Reply:

Since preventing corrupt practices in election is an integral part of the work of the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC), there is no separate budget in this respect. The ICAC has, however, reserved about \$1.6 million under publicity expenses for launching a series of educational and publicity campaigns in relation to the 2012 Chief Executive (CE) Election and Legislative Council (LegCo) Election. The ICAC will fight corrupt practices in election on all fronts of law enforcement, prevention and education through flexible redeployment of resources.

X Group of the Operations Department of the ICAC is responsible for investigating election-related corruption reports. In view of the large amount of vote-rigging complaints relating to the 2011 District Council (DC) Election, the ICAC redeployed manpower to establish a special taskforce in December 2011 to analyze and investigate the relevant cases. The ICAC will, in accordance with the practical situation of the complaints concerning the 2012 CE Election and LegCo Election, assess the resources required and make suitable redeployment to prioritise the processing of such cases. The ICAC will ensure that complaints in respect of the 2012 CE Election and LegCo Election are thoroughly investigated.

On the preventive front, the Corruption Prevention Department of the ICAC has provided corruption prevention advice and services to the Constitutional and Mainland Affairs Bureau and the Registration and Electoral Office, including reviewing the existing systems and new measures on monitoring elections.

On the publicity and education front, the Community Relations Department (CRD) of the ICAC has, for various elections, produced a series of information booklets. For the CE Election, the ICAC has approached the election candidates and their election campaign offices to organise briefings on election-related ordinances for them, and through publication of reminders and feature articles on newspaper helped supporters of candidates avoid inadvertent breaches of the law. For the LegCo Election, the ICAC has already set up an enquiry hotline and a dedicated website in February 2012. Action has also commenced to approach major political parties, professional groups and trade associations of functional constituencies for lining up briefings on the ordinances. In view of the public concern on vote-rigging, the ICAC will move in close concert with the Government's voter registration campaign and launch a publicity filmlet on public transport and distribute pamphlets to remind voters and members of the public of the relevant requirements in the ordinances. Other initiatives such as mobile vehicle exhibitions, Announcement of Public Interest and production of reference materials will be rolled out in turn.

The ICAC will continue to adopt its three-pronged strategy to ensure elections are conducted in a fair, just and open manner.

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Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 2.3.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

ICAC004

Question Serial No.

1723

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title):

Programme: (2) Operations

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Question:

The Independent Commission Against Corruption will strengthen its capabilities in computer forensic investigation through enhanced manpower, training and liaison with experts from local and overseas law enforcement agencies to rise to the challenge of fast-paced technological advancement. Please provide details of the plans, their effectiveness, their expenditure in 2011-12 and their budget in 2012-13.

Asked by: Hon. TO Kun-sun, James

Reply:

The rapid technology advancement has presented new challenges for the computer forensic work of the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC). The data storage of the computers seized continues to increase, and the ICAC also has to handle seized mobile devices such as mobile phones, personal digital assistants and tablet computers which are gaining popularity. To ensure the provision of efficient and effective support services by the Computer Forensics Section of the ICAC, the ICAC will create an additional Commission Against Corruption Officer (Middle/Lower) post and an additional Assistant Commission Against Corruption Officer post in the Section in 2012-13. The additional annual expenditure is estimated to be \$0.96M. The ICAC will continue to arrange officers to receive professional computer forensic training to equip our investigating officers with the latest technology development during the year. Simultaneously, the ICAC will enhance liaison with experts from local and overseas law enforcement agencies by exchanging experience and forensic methodologies and techniques at working meetings, with a view to further strengthening its capability in computer forensics to retrieve relevant data from seizures and produce such as admissible evidence in courts. The revised estimate and estimate for 2011-12 and 2012-13 of \$626.8M and \$660.8M respectively under Programme (2) Operations of the ICAC have covered expenses for computer forensic investigation. The ICAC does not have a separate estimate on the area concerned.

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Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 28.2.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

ICAC005

Question Serial No.

1724

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title):

Programme: (2) Operations

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Question: The Independent Commission Against Corruption pointed out that it would monitor elections at all levels and would continue to liaise with the Registration and Electoral Office and other stakeholders in relation to implementation of the newly enacted Electoral Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Ordinance to enforce the rectification arrangement for minor breaches on election returns. Please advise me on the details, effectiveness, expenditure for 2011-12 and estimate for 2012-13 in respect of the scheme.

Asked by: Hon. TO Kun-sun, James

Reply:

X Group of the Operations Department of the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) is responsible for investigating election-related corruption reports. The ICAC will also, in accordance with the practical situation of the election-related complaints, assess the resources required and make suitable redeployment to prioritise the processing of such cases.

The Electoral Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill was passed by the Legislative Council in July 2011. Under the Ordinance, in the case of a candidate whose election return (ER) contains any minor errors or false statements, and the aggregate value of the adjustments required for such minor errors or false statements does not exceed the limit prescribed in the Schedule for the relevant election, the appropriate authority (AA) (Registration and Electoral Office (REO) or Home Affairs Department (HAD), depending on the election concerned) will issue a notice to the candidate on such minor errors or false statements. If the candidate, within 30 days after receiving the notice, lodges a copy of the ER marked with the necessary revisions, AA will deem such revisions as having been made in the ER before the ER was lodged. However, if the total amount of election expenses declared by a candidate, after including the cumulative amount of any minor errors or false statements, has exceeded the maximum amount of election expenses prescribed for a candidate by regulations in force under Section 45 of the Elections (Corrupt and Illegal Conduct) Ordinance, the candidate may not lodge a copy of the ER for marking the necessary revisions. AA will refer to the ICAC for follow-up actions all errors and false statements found in the ER to which this new legislation is not applicable. Through the new legislative arrangement, it is expected that there may be fewer cases concerning minor breaches on ER that require investigation by the ICAC. The ICAC will evaluate the effectiveness of the new legislative arrangement in conjunction with the Electoral Affairs Commission, REO and HAD in due course.

The revised estimate and estimate for 2011-12 and 2012-13 of \$626.8M and \$660.8M respectively under Programme (2) Operations of the ICAC have covered expenses for investigation into election-related complaints. The ICAC does not have a separate estimate on the area concerned.

Signature: _____

Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 2.3.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

ICAC006

Question Serial No.

1726

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title):

Programme: (2) Operations

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Question:

The Independent Commission Against Corruption will enhance its information technology capabilities to support investigation management by developing a New Generation Operations Department Information System. Please provide details of the plan, its effectiveness, and the budget in 2012-13.

Asked by: Hon. TO Kun-sun, James

Reply:

The Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) will replace the existing Operations Department Information System (OP SIS) with a new generation OPSIS to meet evolving information technology (IT) and operational needs. The new OPSIS will better support the entire investigation process and case management of the Operations Department to cope with the growing complexity of investigations. This proposal with a commitment of \$57.457M was approved by the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council in May 2011.

The new OPSIS will replace the existing one using the latest technologies and riding on a new design of system architecture and data model. It will provide customised case management functions covering the entire investigation cycle through the use of modern IT tools. It will also replace the six separate IT application systems developed over the years to facilitate case management and maintenance in the same environment.

Invitation for tenders for the development of the new OPSIS was issued on 3 February 2012. The estimated expenditure in 2012-13 is \$10.05M.

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Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 28.2.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

ICAC007

Question Serial No.

1741

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title):

Programme: (2) Operations

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

- Question : (a) Please provide the establishment of the Technical Services Division by rank and the resources allocated to the Division for 2011-12 and the estimated figures for the same items for 2012-13.
- (b) Please provide a detailed list of the work undertaken by the Technical Services Division in 2011-12, including the types of support services it has provided.
- (c) Please provide the establishment of the Technical Services Division by rank, number of staff and salaries who are responsible for undertaking interception of communications and surveillance duties.

Asked by: Hon. TO Kun-sun, James

Reply:

(a) <u>Establishment</u>	<u>2011-12</u>	<u>2012-13</u>
	(Actual)	(Estimate)
Senior Commission Against Corruption Officer	3	3
Commission Against Corruption Officer (Upper)	6	6
Commission Against Corruption Officer (Middle/Lower)	25	25
Assistant Commission Against Corruption Officer	22	22
Senior Personal Secretary/Personal Secretary II	2	2
Clerical Assistant/Workman II	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
Total:	60	60
 <u>Resources</u>	 <u>(\$M)</u>	 <u>(\$M)</u>
Personal Emoluments	34.653	35.718
General operational equipment, consumables, maintenance services, etc.	<u>3.601</u>	<u>3.601</u>
Total:	38.254	39.319

- (b)&(c) The main role of the Technical Services Division is to provide technical support to the Operations Department of the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) in the investigation of corruption. To disclose details of its work will inevitably compromise the efficiency and effectiveness of the ICAC investigative work. It is hence not in the public interest to disclose such details.

Signature: _____

Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 23.2.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

ICAC008

Question Serial No.

1742

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title): 103 – Rewards and special
services

Programme: (2) Operations

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

- Question : (a) Under this Programme, has the Independent Commission Against Corruption allocated provision from the Subhead of Rewards and Special Services for expenditure in relation to the Technical Services Division for 2011-12? If affirmative, please state the number of occasions and the actual amount of the expenditure.
- (b) Under the Subhead of Rewards and Special Services, what is the estimated provision for allocation to the Technical Services Division in 2012-13? Is the Technical Services Division subject to any expenditure approval limit in the use of the allocated provision? If positive, what is the limit and how is it compared with that in 2011-12?

Asked by : Hon. TO Kun-sun, James

Reply:

Subhead 103 caters for expenditure on rewards and procurement of special services and equipment of a confidential nature, including expenditure incurred by the Technical Services Division for supporting the work of the Independent Commission Against Corruption. The expenditure is based on actual requirement. As this Subhead provides an essential source of funding for covert operational activities and intelligence gathering, disclosure of such expenditure details is not appropriate.

Signature: _____

Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 23.2.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

ICAC009

Question Serial No.

1744

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title): 103 – Rewards and special
services

Programme: (2) Operations

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

- Question : (a) What are the number of cases involved and the number of persons who received rewards/special services fee as well as the number of occasions on which rewards/special services fee were provided and the actual amount of such expenditure in 2011-12?
- (b) What are the number of cases attracting wanted persons rewards, the amount of rewards offered, the actual expenditure and the number of occasions where payments were made as well as the number of rewards recipients in 2011-12?

Asked by : Hon. TO Kun-sun, James

Reply:

As at 13 February 2012, the total expenditure under Subhead 103 (Rewards and Special Services) for 2011-12 was \$12.64M. There were 56 occasions on which reward / special services fee was provided but there was no case involving reward on wanted persons.

Subhead 103 caters for expenditure on rewards and procurement of special services and equipment of a confidential nature. Since this subhead provides an essential source of funding for covert operational activities and intelligence gathering, disclosure of such expenditure details is not appropriate.

Signature: _____

Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 23.2.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

ICAC010

Question Serial No.

1745

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title): 103 – Rewards and special
services

Programme: (2) Operations

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Question : Under this Programme, what is the expenditure of Subhead 103 (Rewards and Special Services) for procurement and maintenance of equipment in 2011-12?

Asked by : Hon. TO Kun-sun, James

Reply:

Subhead 103 caters for expenditure on rewards and procurement of special services and equipment of a confidential nature. Since this subhead provides an essential source of funding for covert operational activities and intelligence gathering, disclosure of such expenditure details is not appropriate.

Signature: _____

Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 23.2.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

ICAC011

Question Serial No.

1855

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title):

Programme: (1) Corruption Prevention

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Question: After producing a Corruption Prevention Best Practice Checklist (BPC) designed for the national sports associations (NSAs), how would the Corruption Prevention Department (CPD) cooperate with the Home Affairs Bureau and the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) to promote the BPC to the NSAs in Hong Kong, and how would the CPD monitor the progress of their implementation of corruption prevention recommendations?

Asked by: Hon. NG Margaret

Reply:

The CPD in collaboration with the LCSD will visit all NSAs and organise seminars covering topics such as selection of athletes and internal controls, etc. in the coming months, and provide tailored-made corruption prevention advice to the NSAs so as to help them implement the control measures in the BPC. In mid February 2012, the CPD issued a letter to all NSAs to introduce the BPC and seek a meeting with them. The CPD will call up NSAs to fix the meeting time as soon as possible. The CPD will work closely with the LCSD and NSAs to monitor the implementation progress of the corruption prevention recommendations.

Signature: _____

Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 1.3.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

ICAC012

Question Serial No.

1856

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title):

Programme: (1) Corruption Prevention

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Question:

Following the completion of assignment reports for government departments and public organisations, how would the Corruption Prevention Department (CPD) assess the effectiveness of its recommendations in these reports? And how would the CPD monitor the progress of implementation of corruption prevention recommendations by government departments and public organisations?

Asked by: Hon. NG Margaret

Reply:

After the completion of assignment reports for government departments and public organisations, the CPD will follow up the recommendations made in the reports and assist the departments / organisations concerned in their implementation by ways like holding meetings with the management and conducting seminars for operational personnel to explain the purpose and importance of the corruption prevention measures recommended. The CPD would keep in view the implementation progress through consultation with the designated persons of the departments / organisations concerned or regular corruption prevention group meetings with them. The CPD would assess the effectiveness of the recommendations in light of their actual implementation. On monitoring, the CPD would check the progress of implementation of recommendations with the departments / organisations concerned every three months and report the progress to respective Corruption Prevention Advisory Committee (CPAC) sub-committees. Unaccepted recommendations (with justifications) will be reported to CPAC bi-annually.

Signature: _____

Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 28.2.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

ICAC013

Question Serial No.

1725

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title):

Programme: (3) Preventive Education

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Question: The Community Relations Department organised a conference in collaboration with the Guangdong Provincial People's Procuratorate and the Commission Against Corruption of Macao in September 2011 to promote business ethics and corporate governance for small and medium enterprises operating in the Pearl River Delta region. Please advise on the details, effectiveness and expenditure of this conference. Will similar conference be held in 2012-13 and what is the budget?

Asked by: Hon. TO Kun-sun, James

Reply:

The Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC), Guangdong Provincial People's Procuratorate (GDPP) and Commission Against Corruption of Macao (CCAC) co-organised an "Integrity and Professionalism – Key to Business Success" Conference for small and medium enterprises (SMEs) in Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao at the ICAC Building on 22 September 2011, with a view to enhancing cross-boundary SMEs' understanding of the business environment in the Pearl River Delta Region and the latest development in anti-corruption efforts of the three places. The Conference featured keynote addresses by Mr SUN Tong, Deputy Director-General, Department of Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macao Affairs of the Ministry of Commerce, People's Republic of China and Professor Stephen CHEUNG, Dean of School of Business of the Hong Kong Baptist University, as well as three panel discussions on the rule of law, professionalism and business success. Around 200 business leaders, cross-boundary SME operators and anti-graft officers from the three places attended the Conference. Majority of the participants found the Conference inspiring and useful in helping them enhance corporate governance and implement integrity management through heightening their understanding of the anti-corruption laws in the three places and their vigilance against corruption risks. Conference materials have been uploaded to the website of the ICAC's Hong Kong Ethics and Development Centre for viewing by chambers of commerce and the public. Expenditure incurred for the Conference was around \$150,000.

In 2012-13, the ICAC, GDPP and CCAC will jointly publish a corruption prevention guide for SMEs in Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao. The Guide will cover the anti-corruption laws of the three places, case studies and corruption prevention measures and will be distributed to SMEs with cross-boundary operations. Seminars will be organised for SMEs associations to promulgate the Guide, if necessary. The ICAC has tentatively set aside \$1 million for producing about 20 000 copies of the Guide, the actual quantity and expenditure of which to be finalized with GDPP and CCAC.

Signature: _____

Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 28.2.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

ICAC014

Question Serial No.

1727

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title):

Programme: (4) Enlisting Support

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Question: The Community Relations Department indicated that it would sustain its partnership with local leaders in organising preventive education activities to enhance public awareness of the importance of anti-corruption work. Please advise on the details of the work plan, the expenditure and effectiveness of last year's activities, and the budget and plans for the coming year.

Asked by: Hon. TO Kun-sun, James

Reply:

The Community Relations Department (CRD) of the Independent Commission Against Corruption maintains regular co-operation with the 18 District Councils (DCs) and other district organisations through conducting multi-faceted activities on different themes each year to reinforce the community's commitment to sustaining a probity culture and keep the issue of anti-corruption on the public agenda. In 2011-12, to tie in with the education and publicity programme for various public elections, the CRD continued to join hands with the 18 DCs and their sub-committees to launch a series of activities under the theme of "Abide by the Rules - Support Clean Elections" with a view to enhancing public understanding on the importance of clean elections and the relevant legislations. These activities included briefings and talks on Elections (Corrupt and Illegal Conduct) Ordinance, mobile vehicle exhibitions, poster exhibitions, distribution of publicity leaflets, feature articles on district newspapers, game booths and quizzes, etc. The clean election messages were widely disseminated to members of the public and students. The activities were strongly supported by nearly 1 000 organisations, including schools, owners' corporations, mutual aid committees, non-governmental organisations and resident associations, reaching around 300 000 people. Around \$1 million was incurred for the activities, half of which was borne by the DCs.

In 2012-13, the CRD will continue to organise district activities jointly with the 18 DCs and their sub-committees to explore with parents on ways to instil integrity and positive values in children and to promote an ethical culture among youngsters. Through co-operating with parent-teacher associations and other related organisations, a series of interactive programmes including parenting workshops, tailor-made parenting activities and talks will be organised to promote integrity message to kindergarten, primary and secondary school students. The expenditure for all these activities is estimated to be over \$1 million, half of which will be sponsored by the DCs.

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Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 28.2.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

ICAC015

Question Serial No.

2413

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title):

Programme: (3) Preventive Education

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Question:

The Legislative Council Election will be held in September this year with the total number of seats increasing from 60 to 70 and “one-person-two-votes” for all electors. Has the Independent Commission Against Corruption earmarked resources for launching a series of education and publicity programmes to uphold a fair and clean election?

Asked by: Hon. IP Kwok-him

Reply:

Taking into account the increased number of seats and enhanced level of public participation in the coming Legislative Council Election, the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) considers it necessary to strengthen the education and publicity programme under the theme of “Abide by the Rules - Support Clean Elections”. Apart from the fundings from the Constitutional and Mainland Affairs Bureau (CMAB) and Registration and Electoral Office (REO), the ICAC has additionally earmarked about \$1.5 million to enhance the impact of the publicity programme. The programme aims at helping candidates, election helpers and electors better understand the legal provisions applicable to electoral conducts and ensuring a clean and fair election. The education and publicity programme includes:

- (a) Production of reference materials – The ICAC will produce an information booklet for reference of candidates and election agents; as well as various leaflets to remind candidates, election helpers and electors of the points-to-note in the electioneering process. In addition, the ICAC will launch a thematic website with relevant materials uploaded for use of the public. Enquiry and report hotlines have also been set up to answer enquiries and receive complaints from the public.
- (b) Launching of education and publicity activities – The ICAC will proactively approach major political parties/organisations as well as professional bodies and trade associations under different functional constituencies to arrange briefings and talks to explain the Elections (Corrupt and Illegal Conduct) Ordinance (ECICO) for potential candidates and election helpers. The ICAC will also enhance the use of the multi-media to explain the legal provisions of ECICO through posters, newspapers, TV and radio APIs, e-games, mobile vehicle exhibitions, etc.
- (c) Enhancing co-operation with relevant government departments – The ICAC will continue to work closely with the Department of Justice, CMAB, Electoral Affairs Commission, REO, Home Affairs Department, Information Services Department, Police, etc. to jointly promote clean election messages. Related education and publicity initiatives will also be launched to tie in with the Government’s voter registration campaign.

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Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 28.2.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
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ICAC016

Question Serial No.

1746

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title): 103 – Rewards and special
services

Programme: (2) Operations

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

- Question : (a) Would the Government please provide the amount of expenditure in 2011-12 in respect of information obtained from abroad in connection with investigations as well as the overseas places involved;
- (b) Please provide the amount of expenditure in 2011-12 in respect of information obtained locally in connection with investigations; and
- (c) Of the proposed provision for 2012-13, what is the estimated percentage of total expenditure to be spent on information obtained from abroad in connection with investigations?

Asked by : Hon. TO Kun-sun, James

Reply:

Subhead 103 caters for expenditure on rewards and procurement of special services and equipment of a confidential nature. Since this subhead provides an essential source of funding for covert operational activities and intelligence gathering, disclosure of such expenditure details is not appropriate.

Signature: _____

Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 23.2.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

ICAC017

Question Serial No.

1615

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title):

Programme: (2) Operations

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Question:

The Operations Department of the Independent Commission Against Corruption will monitor elections at all levels in 2012-13. As there will be a number of elections to be held in 2012, how much manpower and financial provision will be allocated to the monitoring work concerned?

Asked by: Hon. WONG Ting-kwong

Reply:

X Group of the Operations Department of the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) is responsible for investigating election-related corruption reports. In view of the large amount of vote-rigging complaints relating to the 2011 District Council Election, the ICAC redeployed manpower to establish a special taskforce in December 2011 to analyze and investigate the relevant cases. The ICAC will also, in accordance with the practical situation of the complaints concerning the elections in 2012, assess the resources required and make suitable redeployment to prioritise the processing of such cases. The estimated expenditure for Programme (2) Operations of the ICAC in 2012-13 is \$660.8M, which includes expenses for investigation into election-related complaints. The ICAC does not have a separate estimate on the area concerned.

Signature: _____

Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 2.3.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION****ICAC018**

Question Serial No.

1853

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against CorruptionSubhead (No. & title):Programme: (2) OperationsControlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against CorruptionDirector of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Question : Please provide in table form the number of officers at the rank of Assistant Commission Against Corruption Officer and above, including the directorate, of the Operations Department (OPS) leaving the service in the past 5 years and the percentage in respect of the grade establishment. How many directorate officers in the OPS will be expected to leave the service in the coming 3 years? How does the Independent Commission Against Corruption ensure that succession problem will not arise in various grades of the OPS in view of the relatively large number of officers leaving the service?

Asked by : Hon. NG MargaretReply:

The number of officers in the Operations Department (OPS) of the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) leaving the service in the past 5 years and the wastage rate are tabulated below:

OPS	2007			2008			2009			2010			2011		
	Wastage	Strength	Wastage Rate (%)	Wastage	Strength	Wastage Rate (%)	Wastage	Strength	Wastage Rate (%)	Wastage	Strength	Wastage Rate (%)	Wastage	Strength	Wastage Rate (%)
Directorate Officers	0	7	0.0%	0	6	0.0%	0	6	0.0%	1	6	16.7%	1	6	16.7%
SCACO	1	16	6.3%	3	16	18.8%	0	17	0.0%	1	18	5.6%	2	19	10.5%
CACO(U)	3	58	5.2%	5	63	7.9%	2	62	3.2%	3	61	4.9%	1	61	1.6%
CACO(M/L)	19	258	7.4%	16	252	6.3%	7	273	2.6%	16	292	5.5%	14	280	5.0%
ACACO	41	308	13.3%	36	282	12.8%	27	328	8.2%	21	314	6.7%	23	353	6.5%
CACI Grade	5	105	4.8%	3	114	2.6%	3	111	2.7%	5	114	4.4%	8	114	7.0%
Total	69	752	9.2%	63	733	8.6%	39	797	4.9%	47	805	5.8%	49	833	5.9%

Legend

Wastage rate : Total number of officers leaving the service during a year as a percentage of strength as at 1 January of the same year

SCACO : Senior Commission Against Corruption Officer

CACO(U) : Commission Against Corruption Officer (Upper)

CACO(M/L) : Commission Against Corruption Officer (Middle / Lower)

ACACO : Assistant Commission Against Corruption Officer

CACI : Commission Against Corruption Investigator

3 directorate officers in OPS are expected to leave the service in the coming 3 years.

As the ICAC has been established for more than 30 years, officers joining the Commission in its early years are retiring from the service gradually. The ICAC has formulated relevant policies and measures to train up officers to cope with the succession arrangements for all ranks. The policies and measures will be reviewed from time to time in response to actual circumstances to ensure that the ICAC's operational efficacy will be maintained.

Signature: _____

Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 1.3.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

ICAC019

Question Serial No.

1854

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title):

Programme: (2) Operations

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Question : Please provide in table form the intake figures for ranks at Assistant Commission Against Corruption Officer and above, including the directorate, of the Operations Department in the past 5 years, and also their percentage in respect of the grade establishment. How many of them were appointed through internal promotion and how many were recruited externally?

Asked by : Hon. NG Margaret

Reply:

The intake figures for the Operations Department of the Independent Commission Against Corruption in the past 5 years and their percentage in respect of establishment of the respective rank (as at 1 January of the year) are tabulated below:

Operations Department	2007		2008		2009		2010		2011	
Directorate Officers	1 (1)	14.3%	0 (0)	0.0%	0 (0)	0.0%	1 (1)	14.3%	3 (3)	42.9%
SCACO	2 (2)	10.5%	3 (3)	15.0%	2 (2)	9.1%	3 (3)	13.6%	5 (5)	22.7%
CACO(U)	12 (12)	17.9%	8 (7)	11.6%	4 (4)	5.7%	6 (6)	8.7%	2 (1)	2.8%
CACO(M/L)	24 (21)	8.7%	43 (17)	15.0%	32 (20)	10.9%	17 (15)	5.7%	12 (11)	4.0%
ACACO	36 (3)	9.9%	97 (1)	27.4%	36 (1)	9.9%	85 (2)	23.4%	29 (3)	8.2%
SFA	- -	-	- -	-	- -	-	- -	-	1 (1)	-
FA	- -	-	- -	-	- -	-	- -	-	3 (3)	-
CACI Grade	17 (1)	14.7%	4 (4)	3.4%	6 (0)	5.2%	11 (6)	9.5%	16 (9)	13.8%

Legend

SCACO : Senior Commission Against Corruption Officer
 CACO(U) : Commission Against Corruption Officer (Upper)
 CACO(M/L) : Commission Against Corruption Officer (Middle/Lower)
 ACACO : Assistant Commission Against Corruption Officer
 SFA : Senior Forensic Accountant
 FA : Forensic Accountant
 CACI : Commission Against Corruption Investigator

() figures in bracket represent intake by in-service appointment/promotion.

Signature: _____

Name in block
letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 2.3.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

ICAC020

Question Serial No.

2794

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title):

Programme: (2) Operations

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Question : The actual numbers of pursuable and non-pursuable corruption reports as well as completed investigations in 2011 are higher than those in 2010. Has the authority concerned increased the resources and manpower to handle cases continuously on the rise? If so, what are the relevant details? If not, why?

Asked by : Hon. LEE Kok-long, Joseph

Reply:

The number of corruption reports fluctuates with the circumstances of each year. To process the increased number of cases in 2011, the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) has based deployment of its human resources on its operational requirements to ensure efficacy. The Commission will keep in view the ongoing circumstances and assess how much resource it requires, and assign the resources accordingly. If necessary, the ICAC will seek additional resources through the established mechanism.

Signature: _____

Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 29.2.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

ICAC021

Question Serial No.

2795

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title):

Programme: (2) Operations

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Question : In relation to financial provision and staff establishment, the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) will create 14 posts in 2012-13 for strengthening investigation capabilities and operational support. Please advise on the expenditure and the ranks involved for the 14 posts.

Asked by : Hon. LEE Kok-long, Joseph

Reply:

The 14 posts include one Commission Against Corruption Officer (Upper), five Commission Against Corruption Officers (Middle/Lower), seven Assistant Commission Against Corruption Officers, and one Personal Secretary II. The annual expenditure is estimated to be \$6.5M.

Signature: _____

Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 24.2.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

ICAC022

Question Serial No.

2060

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title):

Programme: (2) Operations

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Question : The Independent Commission Against Corruption will create 14 posts and also the Forensic Accountant grade in 2012-13. In this regard, would the authority concerned provide the following information:

- (a) Please provide the number of newly created posts by department, rank and function;
- (b) Please provide by programme the establishment and strength of all ranks for 2011-12 and 2012-13;
- (c) How many ranks are there in the newly created Forensic Accountant grade? What are their entry requirements and promotion prospects?

Asked by : Hon. LI Fung-ying

Reply:

- (a) All the 14 posts will be created in the Operations Department of Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) with details listed below:
 - (i) One Commission Against Corruption Officer (Upper), two Commission Against Corruption Officers (Middle/Lower) and two Assistant Commission Against Corruption Officers will be deployed for providing technical support to ensure compliance with the requirements of the Interception of Communications and Surveillance Ordinance (Cap 589).
 - (ii) One Commission Against Corruption Officer (Middle/Lower) and one Assistant Commission Against Corruption Officer will be deployed for strengthening capabilities of computer forensics, whereas two Commission Against Corruption Officers (Middle/Lower) and four Assistant Commission Against Corruption Officers will be deployed for reinforcing information technology support.
 - (iii) One Personal Secretary II will provide secretarial support for the Forensic Accounting Group.

- (b) The establishment and strength by department of the ICAC are tabulated below. The establishment is projected as at 31 March 2012 for 2011-12 and as at 31 March 2013 for 2012-13. The strength for 2011-12 (as at 29 February 2012) is provided in bracket and projection of strength for 2012-13 is not available.

	Grade/Rank	Operations Department		Community Relations Department		Corruption Prevention Department		Administration Branch	
		2011-12	2012-13	2011-12	2012-13	2011-12	2012-13	2011-12	2012-13
	Directorate	10 (6)	10	3 (3)	3	3 (2)	3	1 (1)	1
Departmental Grade	Senior Forensic Accountant / Forensic Accountant	10 (6)	10	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0
	Senior Commission Against Corruption Officer	19 (21)	19	11 (10)	11	8 (9)	8	1 (0)	1
	Commission Against Corruption Officer (Upper)	70 (58)	71	16 (15)	16	23 (20)	23	4 (4)	4
	Commission Against Corruption Officer (Middle/Lower)	291 (269)	296	83 (70)	83	17 (13)	17	3 (3)	3
	Assistant Commission Against Corruption Officer	369 (336)	376	35 (26)	35	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0
	Commission Against Corruption Investigator Grade	116 (113)	116	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0
General Grades	Executive Officer & Linked Grade	4 (4)	4	0 (2)	0	1 (1)	1	6 (7)	6
	Chinese Language Officer Grade	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	29 (26)	29
	Clerical & Linked Grade	49 (47)	49	37 (37)	37	6 (8)	6	52 (50)	52
	Secretarial & Linked Grade	27 (28)	28	2 (2)	2	6 (7)	6	4 (4)	4
	Supplies Grade	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	5 (5)	5
	Others	45 (56)	45	13 (12)	13	1 (1)	1	14 (15)	14
	Total	1 010 (944)	1 024	200 (177)	200	65 (61)	65	119 (115)	119

- (c) The newly established Forensic Accountant (FA) grade comprises three ranks, namely, Chief Forensic Accountant (CFA), Senior Forensic Accountant (SFA) and Forensic Accountant. Candidates for the FA grade must be Certified Public Accountants of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants or equivalent, and have a degree from a Hong Kong university or equivalent. In addition, candidates for CFA and SFA must have at least ten years' and eight years' post-qualification experience respectively, of which five years and three years are respectively related to financial fraud investigation. Candidates for FA must have at least two years' post-qualification experience related to financial fraud investigation. With a specialized FA grade of its own, the ICAC can offer a reasonably attractive remuneration package and establish a clear career path for the officers concerned. CFA and SFA are promotion ranks. The establishment, salary and number of increments of the FA grade are as follows –

	Establishment	ICAC Pay Scale (Monthly Salary)	Number of Increments
Chief Forensic Accountant	1	Point 45, equivalent to D1 on Directorate Pay Scale (\$109,700-\$120,150)	3
Senior Forensic Accountant	2	Point 41-Point 44a (\$89,310-\$103,900)	4
Forensic Accountant	8	Point 26-Point 40 (\$49,835-\$86,005)	14

Signature: _____

Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 2.3.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

ICAC023

Question Serial No.

1415

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title):

Programme:

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Question :

Concerning consultancy commissioned by the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) to research on the formulation and evaluation of policies (if any), please provide relevant information according to the following format.

(a) Please advise any relevant information about the public policy research and strategic public policy research projects funded by the government from 2009-10 to 2011-12 in the following table:

Name of consultant	Method of award (open tender/ tender/others (please specify))	Project name, content, and purpose	Consultancy Fee (\$)	Start Date	Research Progress (in preparation/ in progress/ already completed)	Follow-up actions taken by authorities and the progress (if any)	If completed, has it been publicized? If yes, through which channel? If not, what is the reason?

(b) Has provision been earmarked for conducting consultancy research projects in 2012–13? If yes, please provide information in the following table:

Name of consultant	Method of award (open tender/ tender/others (please specify))	Project name, content, and purpose	Consultancy Fee (\$)	Start Date	Research progress (in preparation/ in progress/ already completed)	If anticipated to be completed in 2011-12, would it be publicized? If yes, what is the planned channel for promulgation? If not, what is the reason?

(c) What are the criteria considered in awarding consultancy projects to research institutions?

Asked by : Hon. HO Sau-lan, Cyd

Reply :

The ICAC has not commissioned any consultancy to conduct research on public policy from 2009-10 to 2011-12 and does not have any plan to do so in 2012-13.

Signature: _____

Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 23.2.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title):

Programme:

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Question : In view of the implementation of the Framework Agreement on Guangdong/Hong Kong Co-operation (the “Framework Agreement”) and the increased cross-boundary collaborations between China and Hong Kong in recent years, please provide in the following table relevant information of the cross-boundary projects / programmes in which the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) has taken part:

(a) Please list out the cross-boundary projects/programmes between China and Hong Kong for 2009-10 to 2011-12 in the following table:

Name of Project/ Programme	Detailed content, purpose and whether it is related to the Framework Agreement	Expenditure incurred	Name of Mainland department or institution involved	Progress (% completed, commencement date, estimated completion date)	Were the detailed content, purpose, amount or the impact on the public, society, culture or ecosystem ever publicized? If yes, through which channel were they publicized and how much manpower and expenditure was involved? If not, what is the reason?

(b) Please list out the cross-boundary projects/programmes between China and Hong Kong in 2012-13 in the following table:

Name of Project/ Programme	Detailed content, purpose and whether it is related to the Framework Agreement	Expenditure incurred	Name of mainland department or institution involved	Progress (% completed, commencement date, estimated completion date)	Will the detailed content, purpose, amount or the impact on the public, society, culture or ecosystem be publicized? If yes, through which channel will they be publicized and how much manpower and expenditure will be involved? If not, what is the reason?

(c) Other than the projects/programmes listed in the above tables, were there any cross-boundary collaborations between China and Hong Kong in other formats? If yes, in what formats were they conducted? How much manpower and expenditure was involved in the previous three financial years in this respect and how much expenditure and manpower will be reserved in the budget of 2012-13 for this purpose?

Asked by : Hon. HO Sau-lan, Cyd

Reply:

(a) The cross-boundary projects/programmes between China and Hong Kong for 2009-10 to 2011-12 are listed in the following table:

Name of Project/ Programme	Detailed content, purpose and whether it is related to the Framework Agreement	Expenditure incurred	Name of Mainland department or institution involved	Progress (% completed, commence-ment date, estimated completion date)	Were the detailed content, purpose, amount or the impact on the public, society, culture or ecosystem ever publicised? If yes, through which channel were they publicised and how much manpower and expenditure was involved? If not, what is the reason?
(1) Mutual case assistance in cross-boundary corruption enquiries	To organise an annual exchange forum on mutual case assistance in cross-boundary corruption enquiries. This programme is related to the Framework Agreement.	The ICAC does not maintain a separate account on this item as the expenditure incurred is insignificant.	Supreme People's Procuratorate Guangdong Provincial People's Procuratorate (GDPP)	This programme is a standing arrangement. Commission Against Corruption of Macao (CCAC) and the ICAC hosted the forum in 2009-10 and 2010-11 respectively. GDPP hosted the forum in 2011-12 at Foshan from 30.11.2011 to 2.12.2011.	Corruption enquiries discussed are confidential in nature and not suitable to be publicised.

<p>(2) Conference on “Prevention and Suppression of Corruption in the Private Sector: Reality and Foresight”</p>	<p>For exchanges of views and experience among anti-corruption officials in the prevention and suppression of private sector corruption, the Ministry of Supervision (MoS), ICAC and CCAC jointly organised the Conference which was attended by about 140 participants from the three places. This Conference was not related to the Framework Agreement.</p>	<p>Expenses borne by CCAC</p>	<p>MoS</p>	<p>Completed (Conference held in Macao on 9 and 10.11.2009)</p>	<p>ICAC issued a press release about the Conference on the event day.</p>
<p>(3) Guangdong - Hong Kong - Macao Anti-Corruption TV Commercial Competition for Youth</p>	<p>Jointly organised by the ICAC, GDPP and CCAC, the Competition aimed at promoting integrity building messages among youth. The Competition attracted the participation of about 7 000 tertiary and senior secondary students from the three places. Apart from the Competition, training workshops and exchange visits were also organised for the participants. This activity was not related to the Framework Agreement.</p>	<p>\$650,000</p>	<p>GDPP</p>	<p>Completed (Competition held from January to July 2010)</p>	<p>The Competition was publicised through ICAC website, posters and pamphlets. ICAC had also invited press coverage and issued press releases about the Competition.</p>
<p>(4) Conference on Trans-parency of Public Finance and Corruption Prevention</p>	<p>For exchanges of views and experience on anti-corruption work relating to public finance, MoS, National Bureau of Corruption Prevention (NBCP), ICAC and CCAC jointly organised the Conference with the assistance of the Heilongjiang Provincial People’s Government (HPPG). The Conference was attended by over 100 members from the anti-corruption agencies of the three places. This activity was not related to the Framework Agreement.</p>	<p>Expenses borne by MoS</p>	<p>MoS NBCP HPPG</p>	<p>Completed (Conference held in Harbin on 30.8.2010)</p>	<p>ICAC issued a press release about the Conference on the event day.</p>

<p>(5) "Integrity and Professional-ism – Key to Business Success" Conference for small and medium enterprises (SMEs) in Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao</p>	<p>For enhancing the corruption prevention capabilities of cross-boundary SMEs, ICAC collaborated with GDPP and CCAC to organise a seminar on the latest business environment of the Pearl River Delta region and corruption prevention measures. Over 200 SME operators from the three places and foreign investors in Hong Kong attended the Conference.</p> <p>This Conference was an item under the Framework Agreement.</p>	<p>\$150,000</p>	<p>GDPP</p>	<p>Completed (Conference held on 22.9.2011 in Hong Kong)</p>	<p>The Seminar was promoted to SMEs through a network of trade associations and business chambers. Information about the Seminar was also publicised through ICAC website and the mass media.</p>
<p>(6) Regional Conference on Civil Service Integrity</p>	<p>For exchanges of views and experience on building a clean civil service through promotion of integrity and system control, MoS, ICAC and CCAC jointly organised the Conference which was attended by 200 participants from the three places.</p> <p>This Conference was not related to the Framework Agreement.</p>	<p>\$240,000</p>	<p>MoS</p>	<p>Completed (Conference held in Hong Kong on 10 and 11 November 2011)</p>	<p>ICAC issued a press release about the Conference on the event day.</p>

(b) The cross-boundary projects/programmes between China and Hong Kong in 2012-13 are listed in the following table:

Name of Project/ Programme	Detailed content, purpose and whether it is related to the Framework Agreement	Expenditure incurred	Name of mainland department or institution involved	Progress (% completed, commencement date, estimated completion date)	Will the detailed content, purpose, amount or the impact on the public, society, culture or ecosystem be publicised? If yes, through which channel will they be publicised and how much manpower and expenditure will be involved? If not, what is the reason?

(1) Mutual case assistance in cross-boundary corruption enquiries	To organise an annual exchange forum on mutual case assistance in cross-boundary corruption enquiries. This programme is related to the Framework Agreement.	Not applicable	Supreme People's Procuratorate GDPP	CCAC will host the forum in 2012-13.	Corruption enquiries discussed are confidential in nature and not suitable to be publicised.
(2) Cross-Boundary Computer Animation / Comic Competition in Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao	To disseminate integrity messages to the youth, ICAC collaborated with GDPP and CCAC to organise a computer animation and comic competition on anti-corruption themes for tertiary and secondary students of the three places. This activity is an item under the Framework Agreement.	\$660,000 (estimated)	GDPP	In progress (Publicity of the Competition started in the three places in late 2011, with over 3 000 enrolments received by mid-Feb 2012. The event will be concluded in August 2012 tentatively.)	The Competition will be promoted through ICAC website, posters and pamphlets. Information about the Competition will also be publicised through ICAC website and the mass media.
(3) Corruption Prevention Guide for SMEs in Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao	ICAC, GDPP and CCAC will jointly publish a Guide to enhance the corruption prevention capabilities of cross-boundary enterprises. The Guide will cover the anti-corruption laws of the three places, case analysis and corruption prevention measures. This publication is an item under the Framework Agreement.	\$1 million for printing about 20 000 copies (The exact number of copies and final budget will be further worked out with the GDPP and CCAC.)	GDPP	In progress (Drafting of the Guide started in late 2011. The publication will be launched in late 2012.)	The Guide will be promoted to the business sector through a network of trade associations and business chambers. Information about the Guide will also be publicised through ICAC website and the mass media.
(4) Thematic Conference jointly organised by ICAC, MoS and CCAC	For exchanges of views and experience on anti-corruption work, MoS, ICAC and CCAC will jointly organise the Conference. The theme will be determined pending further discussion with MoS and CCAC. This Conference is not related to the Framework Agreement.	Expenses to be borne by CCAC	MoS	Preparation in progress (The Conference will be held in Macao in late 2012 tentatively)	Press release about the Conference will be issued on the event day.

- (c) The ICAC does not have cross-boundary projects/programmes between China and Hong Kong in other formats.

Signature: _____

Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 1.3.2012

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

ICAC025

Question Serial No.

1857

Head: 72 – Independent Commission
Against Corruption

Subhead (No. & title):

Programme:

Controlling Officer: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Director of Bureau: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Question : Please specify the number, duration, destination and purpose of overseas visits made by the Commissioner in 2010-11, as well as the expenditure details of each visit.

Asked by : Hon. NG Margaret

Reply:

There are a total of nine overseas visits made by the Commissioner in 2010-11 with details as follows:

	Destination City / Country	Duration (Days)	Function	Expenditure (\$)#
1.	Salvador / Brazil London / UK	7	a) International Association of Anti-corruption Authorities (IAACA) Executive Committee Meeting (8-12.4.2010) b) Meetings with heads of ICAC's counterparts and scholars (13-14.4.2010)	108,200
2.	Beijing & Chengdu / China	8	a) Visits to Ministry of Supervision and National Bureau of Corruption Prevention (16-20.5.2010) b) Visit to Sichuan earthquake reconstruction projects (20-23.5.2010)	26,900
3.	Shanghai / China	4	Delivery of lecture in the China Executive Leadership Academy (10-13.6.2010)	16,100

	Destination City / Country	Duration (Days)	Function	Expenditure (\$)
4.	Guangzhou / China	3	Meeting with the Chief Procurator of the Guangdong Provincial People's Procuratorate (2-4.7.2010)	5,200
5.	Harbin / China	4	Seminar on anti-corruption and public finance (25-28.8.2010)	20,200
6.	Beijing / China	3	a) Officiating the opening ceremony of training course on Mainland government policies for ICAC officers b) Meeting with the Procurator General of the Supreme People's Procuratorate (19-21.9.2010)	15,100
7.	Macao	4	4 th IAACA Annual Conference and General Meeting (2-5.11.2010)	13,300
8.	Macao	2	3 rd Regional Forum on Criminal Law in China (12-13.12.2010)	3,900
9.	Singapore	3	IAACA Expert Meeting (17-19.1.2011)	26,000
Total				234,900

Rounded off to the nearest hundred

Signature: _____

Name in block letters: Timothy HM TONG

Post Title: Commissioner, ICAC

Date: 28.2.2012