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Question:

The estimate for 2016-17 is 15.4% higher than the revised estimate for 2015-16. What are the reasons? What are the manpower and expenditures involved?

Asked by: Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki (Member Question No. 626)

Reply:

The estimate of Programme 3 - Heritage and Museums for 2016-17 is 15.4% higher than the revised estimate for 2015-16. This is mainly due to the increased provision for public art projects, implementation of the renewal of permanent exhibitions of 4 public museums, the net increase of 56 posts and filling of vacancies. The estimate of Programme 3 for 2016-17 involves 767 staff with estimated personal emoluments of around \$319 million.

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