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Question:

The revised estimate for 2015-16 is 2% lower than the original 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. 666)

Reply:

The revised estimate of Programme 5 - Public Libraries for 2015-16 is 2% lower than the original estimate. This is mainly due to rescheduling of the commissioning of new public libraries, including the Fanling South Public Library and the Yuen Chau Kok Public Library, and decrease in the level of hire of services. The revised estimate of Programme 5 for 2015-16 projected at 31 March 2016 would involve 1 521 staff with estimated personal emoluments of around \$495 million.

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