

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**DEVB(W)164****(Question Serial No. 3570)**Head: (95) Leisure and Cultural Services DepartmentSubhead (No. & title): (000) Operational ExpensesProgramme: (3) Heritage and MuseumsControlling Officer: Director of Leisure and Cultural Services (Ms Michelle LI)Director of Bureau: Secretary for DevelopmentQuestion:

Please provide the details of and expenditure on conducting archaeological surveys and excavations in the past 3 years.

Asked by: Hon CHAN Tanya (Member Question No. 208)Reply:

The Antiquities and Monuments Office (AMO) under the Leisure and Cultural Services Department conducts archaeological surveys and excavations necessitated by small-scale development projects such as those concerning housing development in the New Territories. Details of the archaeological surveys and excavations undertaken by AMO and the expenditures incurred in the past three years are set out below:

Year	Number of archaeological surveys and excavations arising from small-scale development projects	Districts	Expenditure (\$'000)
2014-15	10	Tai Po, Sai Kung, Tuen Mun and Islands	817
2015-16	7	Sai Kung and Islands	801
2016-17	5	Tuen Mun, North District and Islands	828 (Estimated)

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