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Question:

It is mentioned in paragraph 234(a) of the Budget Speech that the Audit Commission will organise workshops for the senior management of Government departments and public bodies to assist bureaux and departments reduce expenditure. What is the expenditure involved in organising the workshops? How many sessions will be held? When will the first session be held?

Asked by: Hon TAN Sunny (LegCo internal reference no.: 9)

Reply:

The mission of the Audit Commission is to provide independent, professional and quality audit services in order to help the Government and public sector organisations enhance their performance and accountability. The Audit Commission will be hosting workshops with an aim to share its audit experience with staff of Government departments and public bodies so as to help them enhance the economy, efficiency and effectiveness with which they discharge their duties.

The additional workload arising from the workshops will be absorbed by re-deployment of internal resources across programme areas, while the daily audit work will remain unaffected. Details of the arrangement are under discussion and will be announced in due course.

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