

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

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Question :

The Department will consider further extending the scheme on contracting out market management to other districts. Please advise on the progress, the estimated financial provision required for launching and implementing the scheme and the number of public markets currently covered by the scheme.

Asked by : Hon. CHEUNG Hok-ming

Reply :

In 2009-10, we will contract out the management of eight markets in total in Tai Po District and Islands District in July and October respectively. After contracting out these eight markets, there will be a total of 65 public markets managed by contractors in the private sector.

We are not able to provide details on the financial provisions required as the tender exercise has yet to commence and the tender price is not known.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Name in block letters \_\_\_\_\_ W H CHEUK

Post Title \_\_\_\_\_ Director of  
Food and Environmental Hygiene

Date \_\_\_\_\_ 17.3.2009