

Engagement of consultancy firms by offices of the Secretaries, policy bureaux and government departments

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1	Offices of the Chief Secretary for Administration and the Financial Secretary	-	-	-	-	31	6,242,933	32	7,582,600	113	17,051,267	88	16,971,878	71	10,302,559
2	Civil Service Bureau	2	2,204,000	1	245,000	1	698,700	1	255,000	2	4,882,000	1	298,000	-	-
3	Joint Secretariat for the Advisory Bodies on Civil Service and Judicial Salaries and Conditions of Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	100,000	2	1,017,000	-	-	1	1,300,000
4	Commerce and Economic Development Bureau (Commerce, Industry and Tourism Branch)	-	-	3	1,644,652	-	-	4	3,484,184	2	7,833,000	6	7,735,678	4	25,894,361
5	Commerce and Economic Development Bureau (Communications and Technology Branch)	-	-	-	-	1	1,175,000	-	-	3	6,341,940	1	499,412	-	-
6	Overseas Economic and Trade Offices ^{Note 1}	9	427,323	10	4,839,880	6	2,526,967	6	5,648,347	3	1,852,621	4	3,840,921	6	7,534,945
7	Trade and Industry Department	6	2,007,621	6	1,396,826	4	1,283,172	3	1,169,913	3	1,018,991	3	1,040,565	2	966,718
8	Invest Hong Kong	-	-	-	-	13	28,329,159	15	6,699,218	14	5,914,439	18	14,969,616	17	14,836,335
9	Intellectual Property Department	1	9,360	-	-	2	457,000	-	-	-	-	1	1,065,000	-	-
10	Hongkong Post	4	3,534,831	3	705,000	1	255,000	4	25,956,046	2	318,000	2	879,105	3	993,000
11	Innovation and Technology Commission	-	-	-	-	1	198,000	-	-	-	-	1	981,251	-	-
12	Office of the Government Chief Information Officer	2	5,295,759	1	940,000	-	-	1	8,376,000	4	3,710,440	4	4,579,000	3	3,074,000
13	Radio Television Hong Kong ^{Note 2}	-	1,862,400	-	2,071,954	-	2,661,176	-	1,684,458	-	1,539,560	-	1,237,947	-	2,288,540
14	Office of Telecommunications Authority	2	2,562,000	6	5,377,000	4	3,397,000	3	3,518,000	4	3,859,000	4	3,862,000	4	506,000
15	Television and Entertainment Licensing Authority	1	375,000	2	1,025,000	2	1,280,000	7	2,499,600	4	859,500	10	6,618,460	17	11,945,948
16	Constitutional and Mainland Affairs Bureau	1	1,660,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	222,900	-	-	5	1,366,750
17	Registration and Electoral Office	1	3,225,737	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
18	Development Bureau (Planning and Lands Branch)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1,044,000	-	-	-	-
19	Buildings Department	72	27,573,000	8	41,261,000	36	22,754,000	39	34,992,000	48	40,989,000	60	52,117,000	36	42,134,000

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20	Lands Department	3	48,324,930	5	46,513,000	3	30,975,000	9	24,358,448	5	25,418,781	11	29,842,403	6	34,650,026
21	Planning Department	15	20,384,493	9	22,179,310	18	10,126,869	13	16,607,038	18	12,603,774	24	18,389,100	20	29,579,765
22	Development Bureau (Works Branch)	6	5,792,211	3	5,821,693	2	2,463,225	1	419,720	-	1,301,750 ^{Note 3}	4	1,125,000	-	378,000 ^{Note 3}
23	Architectural Services Department	39	273,580,000	37	426,510,000	18	414,160,000	11	321,620,000	30	252,390,000	36	201,470,000	35	197,970,000
24	Civil Engineering and Development Department	19	14,406,000	30	87,834,000	15	132,984,000	16	122,475,000	18	142,197,000	22	125,291,000	21	154,012,000
25	Drainage Services Department	10	28,402,900	12	47,787,000	6	49,709,000	1	43,735,700	17	129,891,900	16	33,342,400	12	146,859,800
26	Electrical and Mechanical Services Department	3	15,044,164	1	18,103,791	2	8,695,294	1	8,874,560	1	4,359,587	1	4,050,721	1	6,411,496
27	Water Supplies Department	11	16,179,000	7	27,332,000	1	31,057,000	5	29,045,000	11	33,781,000	8	28,105,000	14	35,447,000
28	Education Bureau ^{Note 4}	5	3,372,625	5	9,575,128	11	15,672,652 ^{Note 5}	8	6,940,208	18	10,031,644	17	7,340,051	10	7,123,091
29	Student Financial Assistance Agency	-	-	1	900,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	622,000	1	2,450,000
30	University Grants Committee	1	1,290,000	-	-	1	399,000	3	1,307,845	1	14,691	-	-	4	1,076,188
31	Environmental Protection Department	7	37,420,000	11	14,677,506	5	5,042,680	17	35,083,442	12	21,934,140	26	29,620,953	17	57,057,144
32	Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau	2	28,664,939	-	-	3	5,411,894	2	39,443,520	2	11,300,000	2	1,534,940	-	-
33	Census and Statistics Department	-	-	-	-	1	3,998,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
34	Companies Registry	1	40,000	2	394,131	1	31,000	2	122,206	1	50,000	3	14,519,002	3	3,040,092
35	Office of the Commissioner of Insurance	1	3,480,000	1	3,620,000	1	3,320,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4,580,000
36	Official Receiver's Office	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	64,514
37	Audit Commission	4	1,004,000	6	1,725,005	1	200,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
38	Government Logistic Department	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	180,000	-	-
39	Rating and Valuation Department	1	546,000	3	3,612,017	1	530,080	1	63,211	1	1,551,850	2	1,663,427	1	120,000
40	Treasury	5	22,713,413	1	868,497	4	699,943	2	508,473	5	2,330,685	5	2,224,598	3	1,613,954
41	Food and Health Bureau	-	-	5	4,294,030	3	885,141 ^{Note 6}	-	-	3	2,366,321	4	1,470,051	13	9,569,067
42	Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department	-	-	-	-	3	2,129,469	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
43	Department of Health	2	792,317	9	4,350,280	27	11,661,188	6	2,800,045	18	18,820,405	4	1,559,000	4	3,319,805 ^{Note 7}
44	Food and Environmental Hygiene Department	1	2,010,600	2	1,250,300	1	4,016,863	1	25,000	2	34,800	3	68,000	3	1,921,000
45	Home Affairs Bureau	3	1,250,000	2	3,542,600	2	665,600	3	1,732,350	3	620,300	4	8,345,850	3	2,280,000
46	Home Affairs Department	2	1,248,000	1	1,300,000	-	-	2	1,258,000	6	5,521,000	2	1,395,000	5	690,000
47	Information Services Department	-	-	-	-	1	1,295,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
48	Legal Aid Department	1	259,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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49	Leisure and Cultural Services Department	13	4,886,800 ^{Note 8}	11	2,930,650	5	1,085,600	9	2,956,300	17	4,195,092	15	4,302,050	12	6,603,925
50	Labour and Welfare Bureau ^{Note 9}	1	597,000	1	480,130	-	-	4	4,258,343	1	210,990	3	4,553,070	4	3,640,647
51	Labour Department	1	150,000	1	3,211,000	1	1,264,000	2	3,562,000	-	-	-	-	2	2,200,000
52	Social Welfare Department	2	1,805,895	3	1,080,000	1	0.1 ^{Note 10}	1	480,000	1	640,000	3	1,762,480	1	499,500
53	Security Bureau	1	300,000	3	1,006,215	1	455,620	1	149,523	1	600,000	2	298,731	2	950,800
54	Hong Kong Police Force	-	-	1	397,000	-	-	-	-	1	49,800	1	28,500	-	-
55	Customs and Excise Department	2	1,400,000	3	874,000	3	970,000	2	488,000	-	-	2	458,911	-	-
56	Fire Services Department	3	4,550,000	3	3,150,000	2	2,640,000	3	3,380,000	5	9,840,000	8	8,930,000	6	6,180,000
57	Government Flying Service	-	-	2	445,000	1	1,000,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
58	Immigration Department	-	-	1	690,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
59	Correctional Services Department	-	-	1	1,011,339	1	999,439	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	781,000
60	Transport and Housing Bureau (Transport Branch)	5	9,827,500	3	15,612,980	-	-	-	-	4	7,581,507	1	1,957,500	2	3,621,795
61	Civil Aviation Department	2	4,356,584	1	562,084	2	1,233,477	5	1,527,701	4	2,797,931	1	524,520	-	-
62	Highways Department	25	144,870,000	29	147,978,000	16	76,454,000	8	13,270,000	11	109,204,000	8	22,832,000	19	66,152,000
63	Marine Department	2	5,004,530	-	-	2	3,157,396	1	508,630	-	-	-	-	1	585,000
64	Transport Department	11	21,473,000	28	18,672,000	16	8,603,000	6	3,526,000	9	12,643,000	9	19,297,000	6	6,224,000
65	Department of Justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	5,250,000	-	-	-	-	-	-
66	Independent Commission Against Corruption	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4,979,000	-	-	-	-	-	-
67	Judiciary	1	168,000	1	128,000	-	-	2	149,750	1	380,000	1	880,000	-	-
	Total	312	776,331,432	285	989,924,998	284	905,249,537	266	802,870,379	433	923,115,606	453	694,679,091	404	920,794,765

Note :

1. Consultancy fee in foreign currencies is converted into Hong Kong dollars using the exchange rate as at 1 April of the respective financial years. As for US dollars, the exchange rate is fixed at US\$1=HK\$7.8.
2. Since part of the supporting documents have been disposed of, RTHK is unable to provide information on the number of consultancy services contracts signed.
3. Being consultancy fee paid for the contracts signed in preceding years.
4. Including consultancy studies on public policy only for which funds had been allocated between 2001-02 and 2007-08.
5. Since file records of three of the studies are not traceable, the Education Bureau is unable to provide information on their consultancy fee.
6. Being a total consultancy fee of HK\$317,301 and US\$72,800 (approximately HK\$567,840 converted at a rate of US\$1 for HK\$7.8).
7. Including one consultancy study of \$1,614,905 shared by the Efficiency Unit equally.
8. Including one consultancy study of GBP3,400 (approximately HK\$38,000 converted at the exchange rate of 1GBP = HK\$11.295 as at 22 May 2001).
9. Including consultancy services engaged by the policy teams on welfare and manpower portfolios previously under the purview of the former Health, Welfare and Food Bureau and the Education and Manpower Bureau respectively.
10. The concerned consultant considered that the consultancy service would enable it to gain a better understanding of the industry concerned which would be conducive to its future business and hence only received a remuneration of \$0.1.