



2020-21年度

財政預算案

Food and Health Bureau

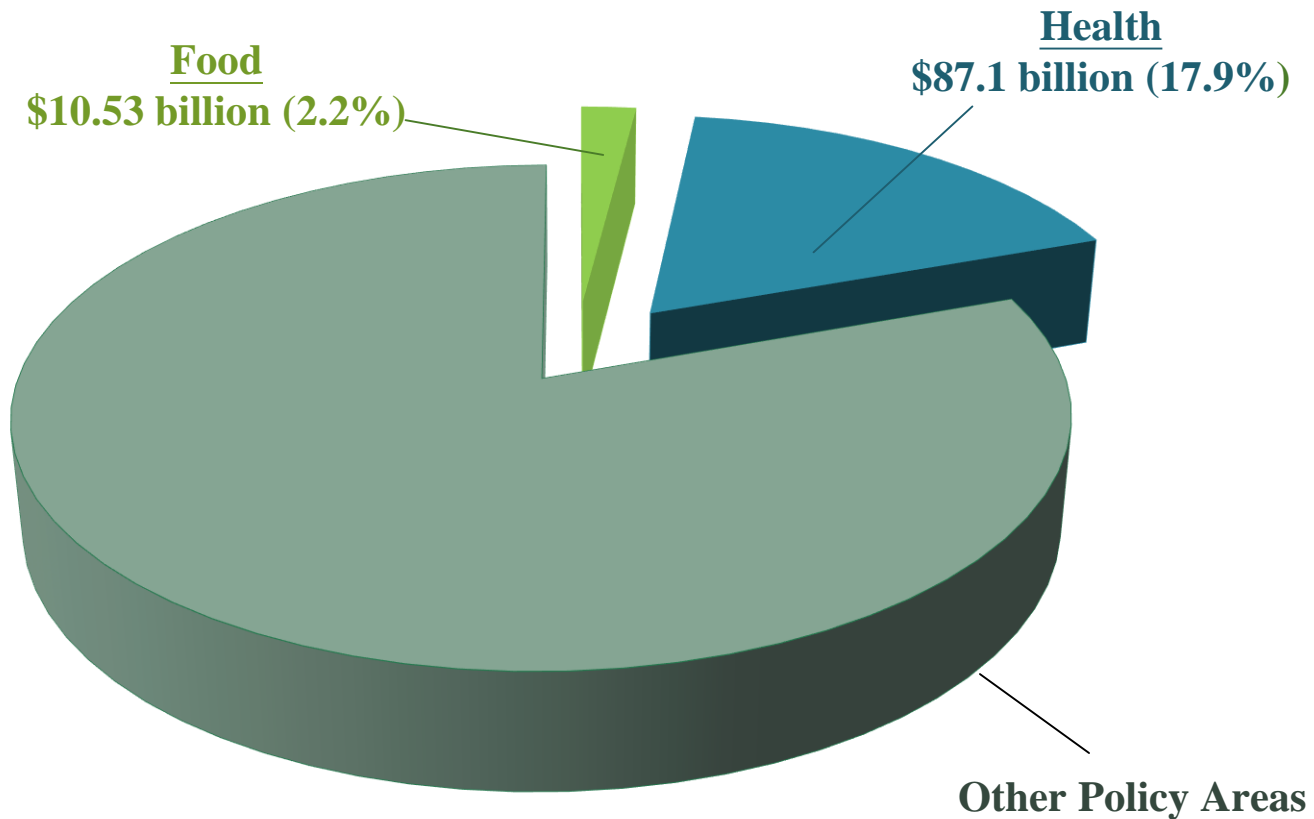
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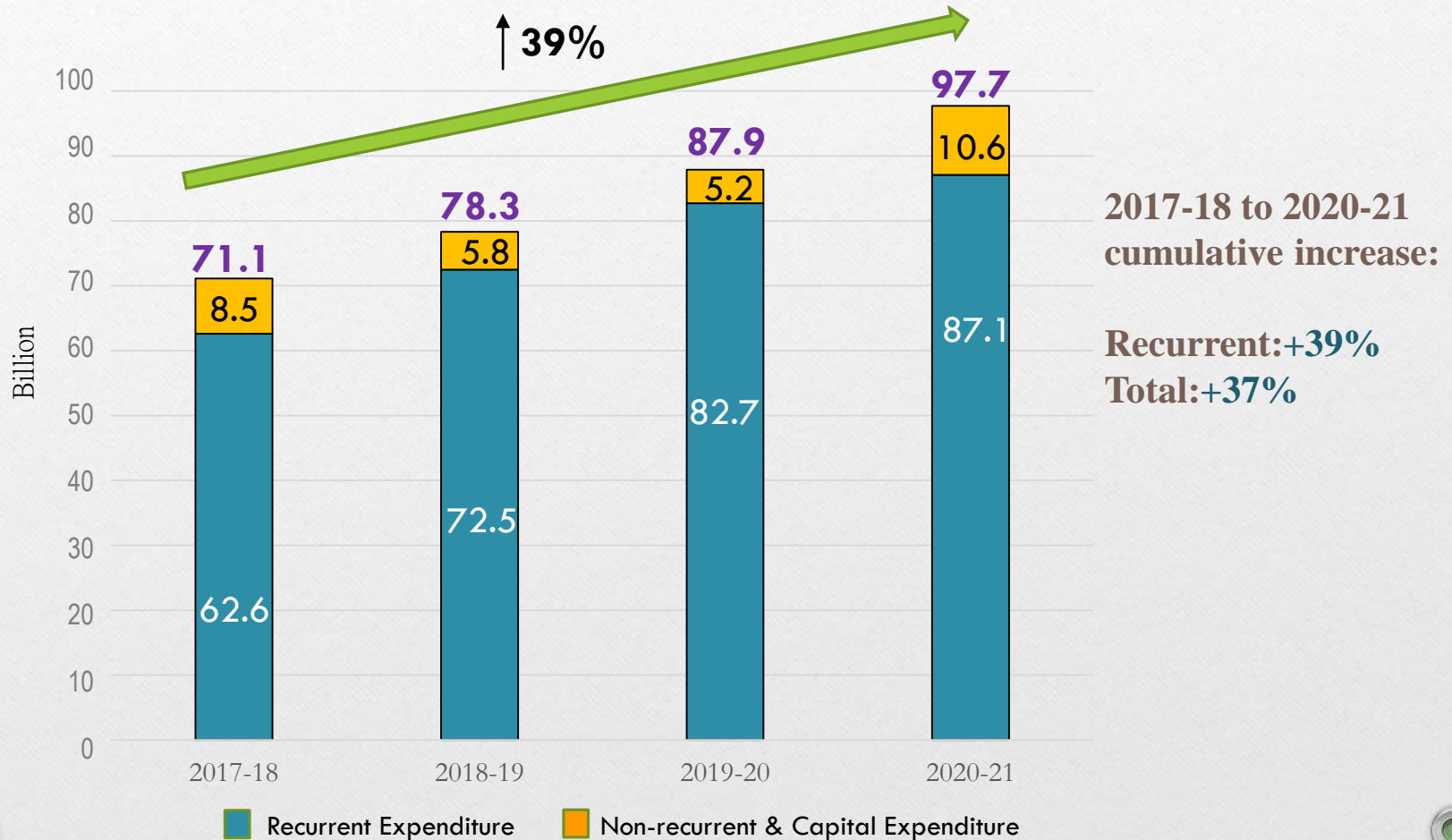
Continuous increase in Government's financial commitment

Recurrent Government Expenditure on Food and Health (2020-21 Estimates)



Total Recurrent Government Expenditure: \$486.6 billion

Recurrent Expenditure on Health: cumulative increase of 39%



Major Policy Initiatives - Health

- (a) Improving public healthcare services and facilities**

- (b) Promoting primary healthcare, mental health services and development of Chinese Medicine**

Department of Health

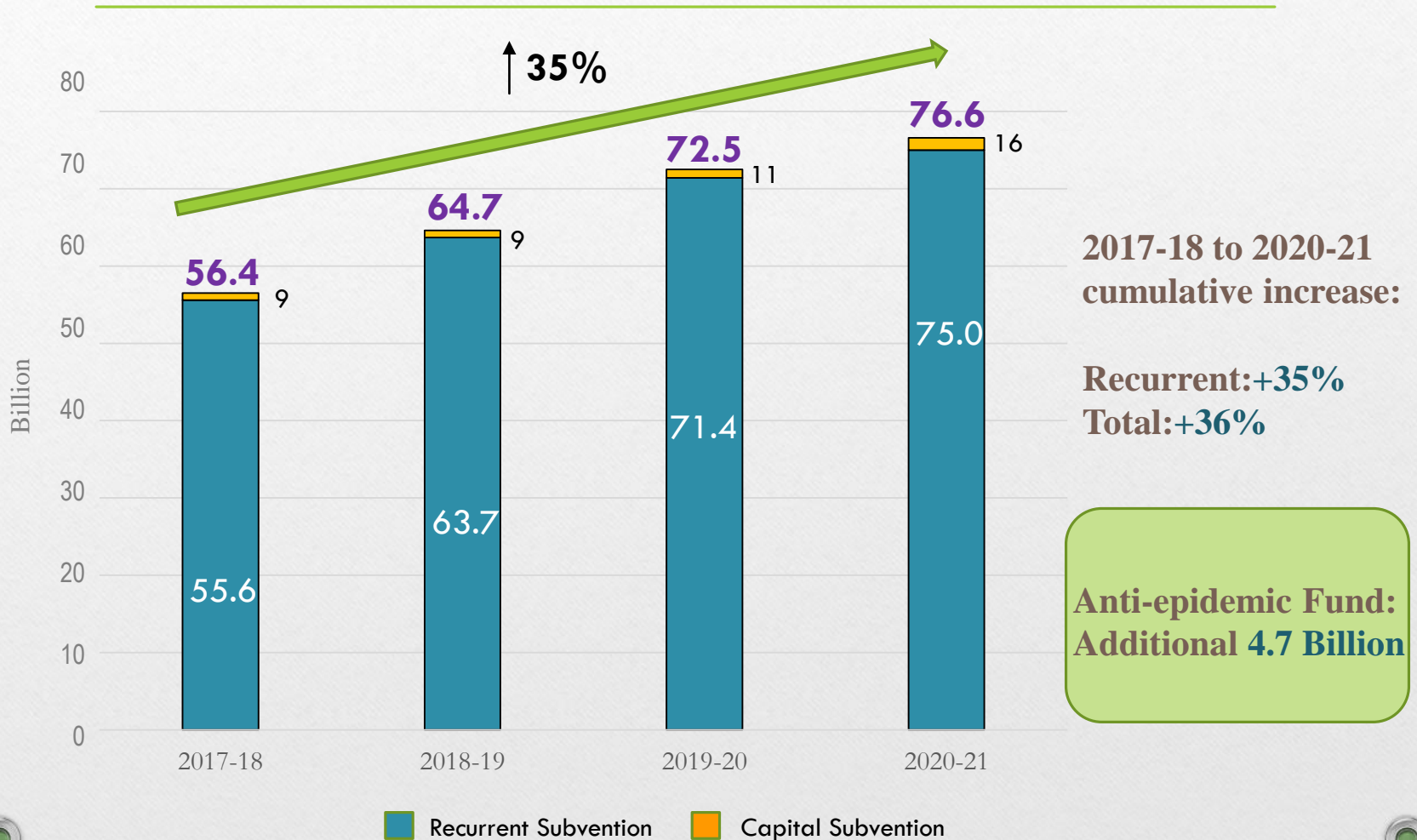


Department of Health

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- Allocating additionally \$400 million for recurrent expenditure
 - New initiatives: Implementing Pertussis Vaccination Programme for pregnant women, prevention of maternal to child transmission of Hepatitis B and extension of baby-friendly Maternal and Child Health Centre designation
 - Enhancing existing initiatives: Implementing the Colorectal Cancer Screening Programme, undertaking statutory duties of the Private Healthcare Facilities Ordinance (Cap. 633), providing HPV Vaccination to school girls free of charge, improving the uptake rate of seasonal influenza vaccination, etc.

Improving public healthcare services and facilities

Recurrent Funding to Hospital Authority: cumulative increase of 35%





Hospital Authority Major Initiative – Manpower

- The HA established a Task Group on Sustainability in December 2019 to focus on reviewing, among other things, strategies for retaining staff. Three major proposals have been put forward as follows -
 - Enhancing the Special Retired and Rehire Scheme to encourage experienced doctors to continue their service on contract terms in the HA after retirement until 65
 - Considering to create opportunities for around 200 Associate Consultant to be promoted to Consultants within the next five years
 - Providing registered nurses who have attained specialty qualifications with additional allowance
- The additional resources for the above initiatives will increase from around \$160 million in 2020-21 to around \$1.2 billion in 2025-26
- The Government has committed resources on this front



Hospital Authority: Other New Initiatives

- enhance research development (\$17 million)
- support the development of genetic and genomic services (\$16 million)
- optimise child assessment service (\$10 million)
- continue the implementation of the initiative on Newborn Screening for Inborn Errors of Metabolism (\$9 million)



Hospital Authority: Enhancing Existing Services

- Increase about 400 additional hospital beds
- Increase operating theatre sessions
- Strengthen the services for chronic diseases
- Enhance the management and treatment of life-threatening diseases
- enhance mental health services
- widen the scope of the HA drug formulary
- modernise technology to improve patient care through more precise diagnosis and effective treatment and less invasive intervention

Development of Healthcare Facilities

- \$470 billion long-term planning: continue to implement **two 10-year Hospital Development Plans**
- Funding of \$180 million has been allocated to the University of Hong Kong, Chinese University of Hong Kong and Hong Kong Polytechnic University for **short-term renovation and enhancement of facilities** to expand the capacity for professional healthcare training
- The Government will **continue to follow up** with the three universities on the remaining medium and long-term works projects

Primary Healthcare



- Continue to push ahead with district-based primary healthcare services
- Earmarked a recurrent expenditure of **\$650 million** for setting up **six** District Health Centres (DHCs) in the coming two years
- Allocate about **\$600 million** to set up “**DHC Express**” in the remaining 11 districts



Mental Health Services

- Working with relevant bureaux/departments to **carry out a range of initiatives** to address the mental health issues faced by the people in Hong Kong
- At the advice of the **Advisory Committee on Mental Health**, to co-ordinate and follow up on mental health related initiatives, including launching an **ongoing mental health promotion and public education initiative**

Development of Chinese Medicine (CM)



CM Hospital

- Prequalification tender is in process and tendering for construction works is expected later this year

18 CM Clinics at district level

- To offer about 620 000 annual quota on Government-subsidised general consultation, tui-na and acupuncture services at a standard fee of \$120 starting from March

Integrated Chinese-Western Medicine in-patient services

- To reduce additional daily fee from \$200 to \$120 starting from March



CM Development Fund

- \$500 million dedicated fund to support CM training, research and promotion
- About \$10 million funding disbursed since its launch in June 2019

Anti-epidemic fund

“Anti-epidemic Fund” – Enhancing Support to the Hospital Authority in Combatting the Epidemic

Allocation of **\$4.7 billion** to HA, mainly for –

- Personnel-related expenditure for frontline staff
- Procuring additional personal protective equipment
- Offering special rental allowance and temporary accommodation arrangements
- Enhancing support for laboratory testing, procuring drug and medical equipment
- Strengthening hospital support services

Anti-epidemic fund – Food Branch support measures

- **Subsidy scheme for food premises** (around 28,000 license holders, estimated funding of \$3.78 billion) :
 - License holders of General Restaurants, Marine Restaurants and Factory Canteens can receive a subsidy of \$200,000
 - License holders of Light Refreshment Restaurants, Fresh Provision Shops, Food Factories, Bakeries as well as Siu Mei and Lo Mei Shops can receive a subsidy of \$80,000
- **Subsidy scheme for licensed hawkers** (around 5,500 licensed hawkers, estimated funding of \$30 million) :
 - A subsidy of \$5,000

Anti-epidemic fund – Food Branch support measures

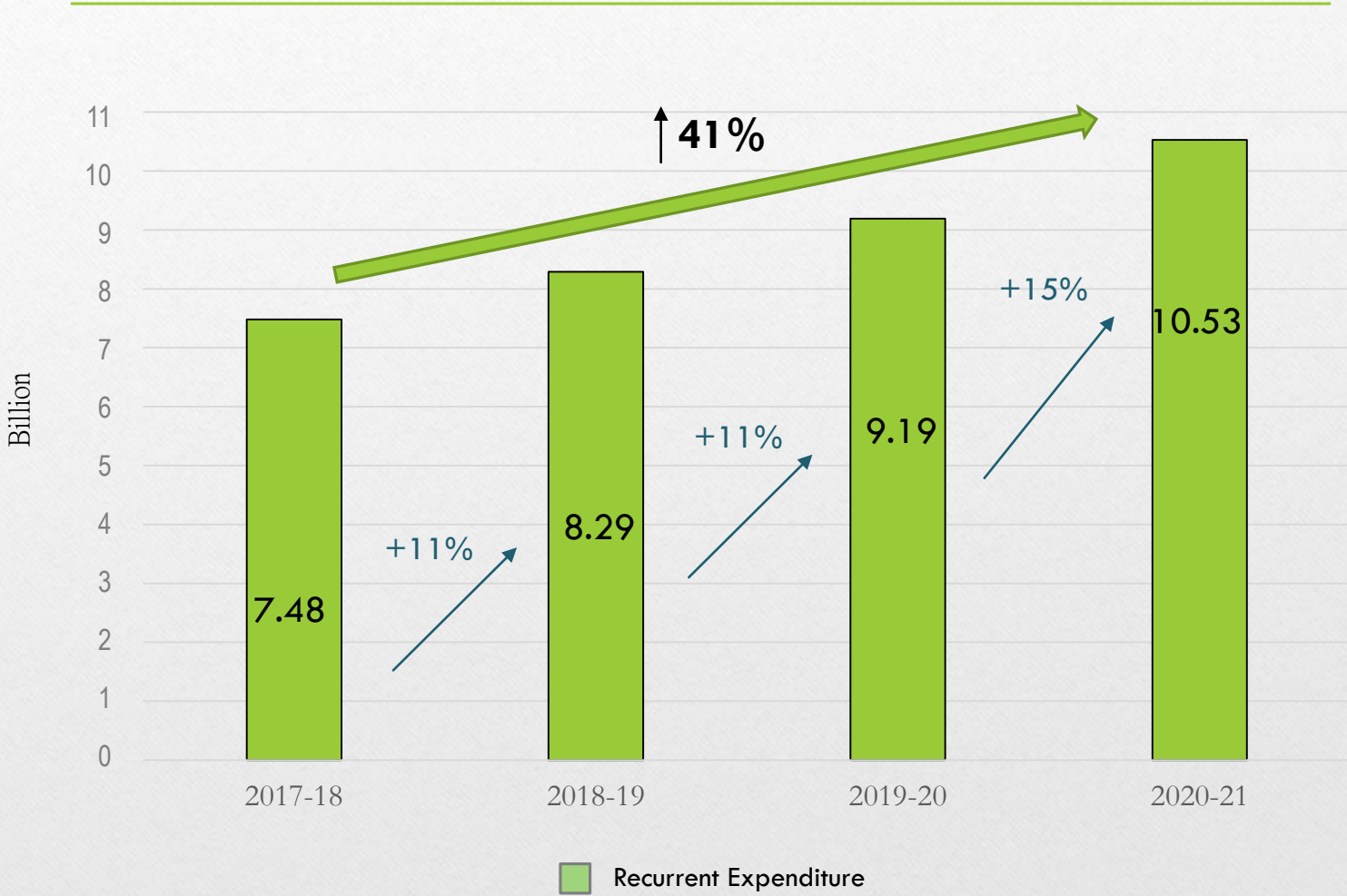
- **Subsidy to service contractors' frontline workers** (around 17,000 FEHD's outsourced workers) :
 - Cleansing workers, toilet attendants and security guards can receive \$1,000 subsidy per month for at least four months

- **Subsidies for live marine fish wholesale traders and fishing vessels with Mainland deckhands** (around 1 800 traders and owners, estimated funding of \$270 million) :
 - The operator of each live marine fish wholesale stall in the Fish Marketing Organization markets can receive a subsidy of \$200,000
 - The owner of each fishing vessel and fish collector vessel with Mainland deckhands can receive a subsidy of \$200,000 or \$80,000 (depending on vessel's length)

Major Policy Initiatives – Food

- (a) Improving environmental hygiene and cleansing**
- (b) Enhancing market development and management**
- (c) Safeguarding food safety**
- (d) Promoting sustainable development of agriculture and fisheries**

Expenditure on Food-related Policy Area: Cumulative increase by 41%



Enhanced Funding

In the financial year 2020-21 :

- Estimated recurrent expenditure for **Food Branch** amounts to around **\$180 million**, \$17 million higher than the 2019-20 revised estimate (RE) (+10.2%)
- Estimated recurrent expenditure for **Food and Environmental Hygiene Department** (FEHD) amounts to around **\$9.36 billion**, \$1.26 billion higher than the 2019-20 RE (+15.6%)
- Estimated recurrent expenditure for **Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department** (AFCD) amounts to around **\$800 million**, \$55 million higher than the 2019-20 RE (+7.5%)



Environmental Hygiene Improvement

- Estimated expenditure for environmental hygiene and related services for FEHD in 2020-21 is about **\$5.9 billion**
- Estimated expenditures for street cleansing and refuse collection services in 2020-21 are \$3.86 billion and \$657 million respectively
- In 2020-21, an additional of \$19 million is allocated for enhancing rodent control work

Public Markets

- **“Market Modernisation Programme (MMP)”**
 - Pioneering project: overhaul of Aberdeen Market
 - Other projects under the first phase of MMP:
 - Overhaul for three other public markets; and
 - Minor refurbishment and improvement works for at least three other public markets
- **Construction of markets :**
 - Tin Shui Wai; Tung Chung Town Centre; Tseung Kwan O; Kwu Tung North New Development Area; Hung Shui Kiu New Development Area; and Tung Chung New Town Extension

Food Safety

- To allocate a **provision of \$34 million** for the Centre for Food Safety of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department to strengthen its food safety work, including –
 - conducting food surveillance at various points of the food chain and taking enforcement actions;
 - conducting risk assessment on food and providing timely information to the public;
 - exercising import control on high-risk food; and
 - investigating and managing food incidents, etc.
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Agriculture and Fisheries

- Construction of the Agricultural Park Phase 1 is expected to commence as soon as possible after obtaining funding approval of the LegCo, and is expected to be completed in stages starting from 2021.
- The Sustainable Agricultural Development Fund and the Sustainable Fisheries Development Fund have approved in total over \$210 million.

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