

# **Environmental Report**

環保報告

# 法律援助署

# 二〇二四年管制人員環保報告

#### 環保目的

法律援助署致力確保部門的日常運作和一切事 務均切合環保精神。

#### 環保政策

本署制訂了部門環保政策,以下列三項原則為本:

- 透過積極鼓勵的方式,盡力令員工明白支持環保的重要,從而令他們視保護環境為己任,而並非只是管方的責任。
- 二 向員工提倡「三用原則」,即「物盡其用、 廢物利用、循環再用」,以減少廢物,原因 是香港處理廢物的主要方法是把廢物棄置 於堆填區,要物色新的堆填區用地愈趨困 難。
- 繼續制訂可持續推行的措施,減少部門耗用的資源及能源。

# Legal Aid Department The Controlling Officer's Environmental Report 2024

#### **Environmental Goal**

The Legal Aid Department is committed to ensuring that its operation, business and activities are conducted in an environmentally responsible manner.

#### **Environmental Policy**

The Department has formulated an environmental policy which is premised upon three tenets.

- The first is to ensure that through active encouragement, each staff member is aware of the importance of responding to environmental issues so that environmental efforts become the responsibility of every staff member and not just the responsibility of the management.
- The second is the implementation of the 3R Principle of "reduce, reuse and recycle" by all staff to reduce waste because of the increasing difficulty to locate suitable sites for landfill which is the primary method for waste disposal in Hong Kong.
- 3 The third is the continued formulation of sustainable measures to reduce departmental use of resources and energy.

#### 環保目標

#### 本署的環保目標為:

- 一 切實遵行本港所有環保規例·並適當地採 納政府公布的方針及指引。
- 二 向員工宣傳環保小貼士·以提高他們保護 環境的意識·使他們在日常工作及家庭生 活中為環保出一分力;向員工灌輸環保的 概念·以助他們建立良好習慣·在離開辦 公室時關燈·以及在不用時把電子器材關 掉。
- 三繼續探討不同的方法,以減少耗用電力及 紙張、改善內部環保措施及盡量推行循環 再用。

# 環保經理及環保主任

部門主任秘書是部門指定的環保經理,各組別的高級一等律政書記及副部門主任秘書則獲委任為環保主任,負責推行各項環保措施和監察所屬組別在環保方面的表現。

#### **Environmental Objectives**

The Department's objectives are:

- 1 To comply with all domestic environmental regulations and adopt directives and guidelines promulgated by the Government as appropriate.
- To promote handy tips to raise staff awareness of the need for environmentally friendly behaviour in all aspects of their work activities and in their home lives. To instil in staff the habit of switching off lights when not in the office and turning off those electrical equipment that are not in use.
- 3 To continue to explore ways to reduce electricity and paper consumption, improve internal environmental practices and maximise recycling practices.

# **Green Manager and Environmental Officers**

The Departmental Secretary is the designated Green Manager of the Department and all Senior Law Clerks I of each section and the Deputy Departmental Secretary are appointed Environmental Officers. They are responsible for implementing various environmental protection measures and monitoring the performance in the respective sections.

# 二〇二四年採取的環保及 內務管理措施

#### 節約用紙

- 一 用以處理審結法援個案的會計表格,只列印載有輸入資料的部分,從而節省用紙:
- 鼓勵受助人和判定債務人使用「繳費 靈」、銀行自動櫃員機或網上銀行繳付 分擔費及判定債項・從而省卻發出及郵 寄收據;
- 三 要求外委律師與本署通訊時,切勿把信件用傳真及郵遞/文件交匯方式重複送交本署,以及只在緊急情況才使用傳真;
- 四 透過電話短信或電郵確認收妥郵遞的 「預辦申請所需資料表格」、要求申請 人聯絡本署及通知民事法律援助申請 人其申請結果,以減少用紙;
- 五 把部門出版的刊物上載本署網頁,避免 印製過多的印文本;
- 六 只提供電子版本的部門年報;

# **Environmental Initiatives and Housekeeping Measures Taken in 2024**

### Reducing the use of paper

- 1 For finalisation of legal aid cases, only the part of the account forms with data input was printed out and thus reducing the usage of paper;
- Aided clients and judgment debtors were encouraged to pay contributions and judgment sums by "Payment by Phone Service" (PPS), Bank Automated Teller Machine (ATM) or Internet Banking which help doing away the issue and the mailing of receipts;
- 3 Assigned lawyers were requested not to correspond with the Department by fax and by post/ DX and to limit fax for urgent matters;
- e-Notification service via SMS or email was provided for, to acknowledge receipt of preapplication forms, to request applicants to contact us, and to inform legal aid applicants for civil cases of the result of application, hence reducing the usage of paper;
- Departmental publications were uploaded onto the Homepage and greater care was exercised to avoid excessive printing of hard copies;
- 6 The Annual Departmental Report was published in electronic format only;

- 七 盡量以電郵方式向退休員工發送《員工 通訊》;
- Whenever possible, the Staff Newsletter was sent to retired staff by email;
- 八 鼓勵員工採用下列方法減少用紙:
- 8 Staff were encouraged to minimise paper consumption by:
- i. 會議以無紙形式進行,以減少打 印議程、會議記錄及參考文件;
- conducting paperless meetings to reduce the printing of agenda, minutes of meeting and reference materials;
- ii. 為參加署內培訓的同事提供軟複本而非印文本的教材,並把教材上載部門的入門網站,供員工參考;
- ii. providing in-house training materials to colleagues on soft copies instead of hard copies and uploading such materials onto the departmental portal for staff's reference;
- iii. 盡量安排把通告及其他文件以電子方式傳閱,以取代每人分發一份的做法;
- iii. arranging dissemination of circulars and other documents electronically as far as possible instead of issuing individuals with personal copies;

iv. 盡量減少影印文件的數量;

iv. minimising photocopies;

v. 紙張雙面使用;

- v. using both sides of paper;
- vi. 善善用打印機 / 影印機 · 設定適當的功能 · 以便雙面打印 / 影印 · 並盡量避免因錯誤打印 / 影印而浪費紙張;
- vi. proper setting and use of printers/copiers to facilitate double-sided printing/copying and minimise abortive printing/copying;
- vii. 把尚有一面未用的紙張用作草稿 紙;
- vii. using blank side of used paper for drafting;

viii. 以電郵及電話作內部溝通;

viii. using electronic mail and telephone for internal communication;

- ix. 以電子方式檢視及修改文件;
- x. 調整字型大小、頁邊空白、行距 及頁面模式,以盡量減少文件的 頁數;
- xi. 在電腦預覽列印·尤其是篇幅較 長的資料表及試算表·以盡量避 免因錯誤打印而浪費紙張;
- xii. 除非有絕對需要,否則避免打印 電子文件;
- xiii. 把記錄及參考資料歸檔時,盡量 把多頁縮印在一張紙上;
- xiv. 避免使用傳真首頁;
- xv. 避免使用信封發出通知書 / 信件;
- xvi. 重複使用暫用檔案夾及文件夾 面;
- xvii. 盡量重複使用信封;
- xviii. 使用舊信紙列印傳真信息;
- xix. 盡量使用再造紙·以取代普通紙 張;以及
- xx. 以電郵方式再傳閱「節約用紙小 貼士」。

- ix. reviewing and editing documents in electronic means;
- adjusting font size, margins, line spacing, and page format to minimise the number of pages of a document;
- xi. previewing printouts, in particular lengthy database and spreadsheet, in computer to minimise abortive printing;
- xii. avoiding printing of e-documents unless absolutely necessary;
- xiii. printing of multiple pages onto a single sheet for filing of records and reference materials;
- xiv. avoiding the use of fax leader pages;
- xv. avoiding the use of envelopes for issuing notifications/letters;
- xvi. reusing loose minute jackets and file covers;
- xvii. reusing envelopes as far as possible;
- xviii. using papers with obsolete letter head for incoming fax;
- xix. using recycled paper instead of ordinary paper where possible; and
- xx. re-circulating paper-saving tips by emails.

- 九 所有傳真機均支援使用普通紙張·而所 有影印機和網絡打印機均設有雙面影 印和打印功能·並設有「環保盤」·以供 存放尚有一面未用的紙張;
- 十 某些組別已採用以電郵方式收取傳真 文件,以方便內部傳閱,並可避免打印 傳真廣告信息;
- 十一 在辦公室不同地方放置環保箱·回收廢 紙作循環再造用途;以及
- 十二 以電子方式處理預訂會議室或活動室, 以及離開工作崗位接受治療、檢驗或診 症的申請,以減少用紙。

# 節約能源和改善空氣質素的措施

- 一 提醒員工在適當情況下把電燈、其他電子器材及電器關掉:
- 退回打印機和傳真機的噴墨盒和炭粉 盒給供應商循環再用·並使用可更換筆 芯的原子筆;
- 三 在《員工通訊》介紹各類環保措施·並 透過電郵定期發放有關信息;

- All fax machines support the use of plain papers and all photocopiers and network printers were installed with double-side printing function and "green tray" for blank side of used papers;
- 10 In some sections, faxes were received by email so as to facilitate internal circulation as well as to avoid printing advertising messages;
- Green boxes were placed at various locations and waste papers were collected for recycling; and
- The Electronic Room Reservation System and the Electronic Application for Time-off for Medical Treatment/ Examination/ Consultation have been launched to minimise paper consumption.

# Conservation of Energy and Air Quality Improvement

- Staff were reminded to switch off lights and other electrical equipment and appliances where appropriate;
- Inkjet and toner cartridges for printers and fax machines were returned to the suppliers for recycling and refillable ball pens were used;
- Articles and messages on various green measures were published in the Staff Newsletter and disseminated through e-mail regularly;

4 Staff were encouraged to use staircases for 兀 鼓勵員工使用樓梯往返各層辦公室,減 inter-floor traffic in order to reduce electricity 少因乘搭電梯而耗用電力; consumption on lift services; 5 Air-conditioning hours were suitably set, and  $\mathcal{F}$ 適當設定提供空調的時間,並在辦公範 air-conditioning units with temperature 圍使用加裝了恆溫掣的空調機,以改善 adjusting panel were installed at working area so that indoor air quality could be improved 室內空氣質素,並確保辦公室的溫度維 and room temperature could be maintained at 持在舒適又符合能源效益的水平; a comfortable and energy-efficient level; 6 Non-smoking office environment was 六 維持非吸煙工作間的環境; maintained; 7 T5 florescent tubes were used for most office + 辦公室的照明大部分已採用 T5 光管, area to save energy; 以節省能源; 8 Part of the newly renovated office area was 八 部分新裝修的辦公室已安裝 LED 燈泡 installed with LED light bulbs and motion 及移動感應開關裝置,以節省更多能 sensors switch to save even more energy; 源; 9 Light timers were installed to automatically 力, 洗手間的電燈已安裝時間掣,在非辦公 turn off toilet lights during office closing hours; 時間自動關燈; 10 Automated light adjustment devices were +辦公室電梯大堂已安裝自動燈光調節 installed in lift lobbies; 裝置; 11 Drivers were required to switch off vehicle 司機在停車等候期間須關掉引擎。本署 engines while waiting. Surprise inspections 會派員進行突擊檢查,以確保司機遵 were conducted to ensure compliance; and 行;以及 Energy efficient electrical appliances were 12  $+^-$ 盡量採購具能源效益的電器,包括具備 purchased as far as practicable, including 自動關機或進入休眠狀態功能的設備。 equipment that would automatically enter

power off or sleeping mode.

# 鼓勵循環再用及減少廢物

- 一 保存裝飾用物品,留待日後的員工活動及節日重複使用;
- 二 在節日使用電子賀卡;
- 三 參與大廈管理處舉辦的廢物分類計劃, 收集紙張、金屬、塑膠及玻璃,循環再 造;
- 四 在洗手間安裝自動感應的水龍頭及雙 掣式沖廁系統·並在翻新的洗手間安裝 水龍頭節流器·以節省用水;
- 五 盡量遵行「環保採購」的原則·例如盡可能採購再造紙而非普通紙張;
- 六 鼓勵員工使用環保袋及利用環境保護 署的網上「二手物品交易平台」,以減少 及循環再用廢物;以及
- 七 鼓勵員工參與慈善團體舉辦的轉贈計 劃。

# **Encourage Recycling and Minimise Wastes**

- Decorative materials were kept for subsequent use during staff functions and festive seasons;
- 2 E-cards were used during festive seasons;
- Took part in the waste separation scheme held by the Building Management Office. Paper, metals, plastic and glass were collected and recycled;
- Auto-sensitised water taps and dual flushing modes were installed in toilets. Flow controllers for water tap were also installed in refurbished toilets to save water;
- "Green procurement" concept was adopted as far as practicable. For example, recycled papers were purchased instead of ordinary papers where possible;
- Staff were encouraged to use environmentally friendly bags, and to reduce and recycle waste by using the online Second-hand Exchange platform introduced by the Environmental Protection Department; and
- 7 Staff were encouraged to participate in gift transfer programs organized by charities.

# 環保表現分析

本署的服務主要在辦公室提供·因此我們盡力控制用紙量和用電量。

#### 用紙量(註一)

- i. 二〇二四年的耗紙量為 9 389 令。
- ii. 二〇二四年的影印文件數量為 4 192 492 張。

#### 用電量(註一)

本署總部、九龍分署及香港分處已裝設用電分錶,三個辦事處的耗電量為約 498 821 千瓦小時。

有關數字調整至最接近的整數。

二〇二四年,因用電所產生的排放量估計如下

#### (註二) :

	二氧化硫	氮氧化物	可吸入 懸浮粒子
電力	952.7 公斤	578.6 公斤	29.9 公斤

本署轄下的一部房車及一部輕型貨車均使用無 鉛汽油。本署鼓勵員工在執行外勤工作時、盡量 乘搭公共交通工具。本署兩部車輛在二〇二四年 的總行車里數為 30 812 公里。

#### **Environmental Performance Analysis**

The Department delivers its services mainly in an office environment and has therefore devoted considerable efforts to contain its paper and electricity consumption.

#### Paper Consumption (Remark 1)

- i. Paper consumption in 2024 was 9 389 reams.
- ii. Number of photocopies in 2024 was 4 192 492.

#### **Electricity Consumption (Remark 1)**

Power-check meters were installed in the Headquarters, Kowloon Branch Office and Hong Kong Sub-Office, and an electricity consumption of about 498 821 kilowatt hours (kWh) was recorded for the three offices.

Remark 1:

Figures are rounded to the nearest integer.

Emissions from electricity consumption in 2024 are estimated as follows (Remark 2):-

			Respirable
	Sulphur dioxide	Nitrogen oxides	suspended
	(SO <sub>2</sub> )	(NO <sub>x</sub> )	particulates
			(RSP)
Electricity	952.7 kg	578.6 kg	29.9 kg

The Department also maintained and operated one saloon car and one light goods vehicle, both of which use unleaded petrol. Staff were encouraged to use public transport as far as possible when performing outdoor duties. In 2024, the total mileage of the two vehicles was 30 812 km.

二〇二四年,上述車輛的廢氣排放量估計如下

(註二) :

	<b>氮氧化物</b>	可吸入懸浮粒子
車輛	27.73 公斤	微量

Emissions from the vehicles in 2024 are estimated as follows (Remark 2):-

	Nitrogen oxides (NO <sub>X</sub> )	Respirable suspended particulates (RSP)
Vehicle	27.73 kg	Negligible

註二:

排放量按照環境保護署公布的《清新空氣約章環境報告指引》所載的方程式計算。

#### Remark 2:

The emissions are estimated based on the equation provided by the Environmental Protection Department in its "Guide to Clean Air Charter Report Writing".

#### 雜項耗用量

- i. 消耗品如原子筆及鉛筆的用量分別為 2 663 支及 243 支。
- ii. 二〇二四年退回的炭粉盒/噴墨盒共 419 個。
- iii. 本署在二〇二四年沒有採購任何膠 袋。

#### **Miscellaneous Consumption**

- i. The consumption of other consumable stock such as pens and pencils were 2 663 and 243.
- ii. The total trade-in on toner/inkjet cartridges in 2024 was 419.
- iii. The Department did not procure any plastic bags in 2024.

# 持續環保

本署會繼續致力推行各項環保政策·落實環保目標。

#### **Continual Commitment**

The Department will continue to be committed to its environmental policy and objectives.