

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (94) Legal Aid Department

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (-) Not Specified

Controlling Officer: Director of Legal Aid (Thomas Edward KWONG)

Director of Bureau: Director of Administration

Question:

Will the Bureau please provide the balance, government injection amount, investment or other income and total expenditure of the following funds in 2019-20? If there are other funds within the purview of the Bureau not being listed below, please also provide information as per the items above.

1. Supplementary Legal Aid Fund

Asked by: Hon MA Fung-kwok (LegCo internal reference no.: 72)

Reply:

The Supplementary Legal Aid Fund (SLAF) is administered by the Legal Aid Department under the Supplementary Legal Aid Scheme.

As at 30 September 2020, the fund balance, income and expenditure of SLAF for the 2019-20 financial year were \$213.0 million, \$13.6 million and \$5.6 million¹ respectively. There was no injection of fund from the government in 2019-20.

¹ The figures have yet to be audited by the Director of Audit.

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