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ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S CHAMBERS

OVERVIEW

Mission Statement

To enhance the rule of law and constitutional government in Singapore by providing sound legal advice and assistance in developing a fair and responsive legal system, furthering good public administration, and protecting the interests of the state and of the people.

FY2006 EXPENDITURE ESTIMATES

Expenditure Estimates by Object Class

Code	Object Class	Actual FY2004	Estimated FY2005	Revised FY2005	Estimated FY2006	Change over FY2005	
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$45,015,060	\$49,318,340	\$48,154,720	\$55,596,870	\$7,442,150	15.5%
	Main Estimates						
	OPERATING EXPENDITURE	\$44,836,581	\$48,703,340	\$47,774,720	\$54,836,870 (i)	\$7,062,150	14.8%
	<i>RUNNING COSTS</i>	\$44,827,426	\$48,694,700	\$47,763,080	\$54,825,370	\$7,062,290	14.8%
1000	Expenditure on Manpower	\$35,436,113	\$37,102,500	\$38,133,100	\$42,400,800	\$4,267,700	11.2%
1400	Other Statutory Appointments	1,631,491	1,704,700	1,704,700	1,757,300	52,600	3.1
1500	Permanent Staff	33,804,623	35,397,800	36,428,400	40,643,500	4,215,100	11.6
2000	Other Operating Expenditure	\$9,391,313	\$11,592,200	\$9,629,980	\$12,424,570	\$2,794,590	29.0%
2100	Supplies & Services	6,537,880	6,376,180	6,373,180	6,685,600	312,420	4.9
2300	Manpower Development	435,421	622,400	622,400	678,600	56,200	9.0
2400	Public Relations & Exercises	26,833	32,400	32,400	38,850	6,450	19.9
2700	Equipment	253,951	102,000	102,000	209,340	107,340	105.2
2800	Financial Claims & Legal Expenses	2,137,229	4,459,220	2,500,000	4,812,180	2,312,180	92.5
	<i>TRANSFERS</i>	\$9,154	\$8,640	\$11,640	\$11,500	-\$140	-1.2%
3500	Social Transfers	5,732	5,000	8,000	8,000	0	0.0
3600	Subventions	3,422	3,640	3,640	3,500	-140	-3.8
	Development Estimates						
	DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURE	\$178,479	\$615,000	\$380,000	\$760,000	\$380,000	100.0%
5100	Direct Development	178,479	615,000	380,000	760,000	380,000	100.0

(i) Includes \$2,447,290 statutory expenditure (EOM \$1,757,300 and OOE \$689,990).

Establishment List

Category/Personnel	Actual FY2004	Estimated FY2005	Revised FY2005	Estimated FY2006	
OTHER STATUTORY APPOINTMENTS	1	1	1	(1)	1
Attorney-General	1	1	1	(1)	1
PERMANENT STAFF	268	301	301	(264)	301
Accounting Profession	1	2	2	(1)	2
Corporate Support	43	45	45	(43)	45
Legal	134	143	143	(133)	143
Management Executive (Attorney-General's Chambers)	37	56	56	(36)	56
Management Support	13	13	13	(11)	13
Operations Support	29	29	29	(29)	29
Shorthand Writers	11	13	13	(11)	13
OTHERS	5	5	5	(5)	5
Library (Technical)	4	4	4	(4)	4
Library Services	1	1	1	(1)	1
TOTAL	274	307	307	(270)	307

Figures in brackets shown in the "Revised FY2005" column of the Establishment List denote actual staff strength.

FY2005 BUDGET

The revised FY2005 expenditure of the Attorney-General's Chambers (AGC) is \$48.15 million, an increase of \$3.14 million or 7.0% over the actual FY2004 expenditure of \$45.02 million. The revised FY2005 operating expenditure is \$47.77 million, an increase of \$2.94 million or 6.6% over the actual FY2004 expenditure of \$44.84 million. The increase is mainly due to a higher projected payout of performance bonus. The revised FY2005 development expenditure is \$380,000, an increase of \$201,521 or 112.9% over the actual FY2004 expenditure of \$178,479. The increase is due to the proposed commencement of the Legislation Editing and Authentic Publishing (LEAP) project.

FY2006 BUDGET

The FY2006 total expenditure of AGC is expected to be \$55.60 million, an increase of \$7.44 million or 15.5% over the revised FY2005 budget. Of this, \$54.84 million or 98.6% is for operating expenditure, and \$760,000 or 1.4% is for development expenditure.

Operating Expenditure

Operating expenditure would amount to \$54.84 million, an increase of \$7.06 million or 14.8% over the revised FY2005 figure. The increase is mainly due to the projected increase in legal fees to be paid to external counsel for providing legal advice, as well as the projected increase in manpower expenditure.

Development Expenditure

Development expenditure in FY2006 is expected to be \$760,000. This is an increase of \$380,000 or 100% over the revised FY2005 expenditure. The increase is mainly because of higher projected expenditure in FY2006 for the LEAP project.

Development Expenditure by Project

Project Title	Total Project Cost	Actual Expenditure up to end of FY2003	Actual FY2004	Estimated FY2005	Revised FY2005	Estimated FY2006
DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURE	\$178,479	\$615,000	\$380,000	\$760,000
Direct Development	178,479	615,000	380,000	760,000
Legal Services Programme						
Minor Development Projects	178,479	130,000	130,000	260,000
New Projects	0	485,000	250,000	500,000

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Desired Outcomes

- Parliamentary democracy and an effective statute book
- A conducive and modern legislative framework of contract law and company law for businesses, organisations and every citizen
- Decisions and actions of public officers that comply with legal principles
- A Government which is effectively and professionally represented in all legal matters
- A just and effective criminal prosecutorial system
- A nation which abides by international law
- A rule based regional and multi-lateral trading system as well as bilateral arrangements with key or strategic trading partners which safeguards and enhances Singapore's interest

Key Performance Indicators

Desired Outcome	Performance Indicator	Actual FY2003	Actual FY2004	Revised FY2005	Projected FY2006
Parliamentary democracy and an effective statute book	Ratio of corrigenda (due to AGC default) to published pages year on year	NA	1:2780	1:1870	1:1000
	No. of justifiable allegations per officer per year on not meeting standards of high quality legislation	NA	0	0	0
A conducive and modern legislative framework of contract law and company law for businesses, organisations and every citizen	No. of proposals for law reform	23	11	13	10
Decisions and actions of public officers that comply with legal principles	No. of successful Judicial Reviews of decisions/actions of public officers when taken/acting in accordance with AG's advice	0	0	0	0
A Government which is effectively and professionally represented in all legal matters	No. of instances of justifiable complaint by Government Ministries/Department about the lack of legal support by AGC where AGC has the resources to provide the required support	0	0	0	0
A just and effective criminal prosecutorial system	% of all criminal cases (both in the High Court and the Subordinate Courts) that are proceeded with as scheduled	90.0	100.0	100.0	90.0
	No. of findings/determinations by any competent court or tribunal that there has been any frivolous or vexatious prosecution	0	0	0	0

Key Performance Indicators - continued

Desired Outcome	Performance Indicator	Actual FY2003	Actual FY2004	Revised FY2005	Projected FY2006
A nation which abides by international law	No. of instances of justifiable allegation by any sovereign government or state or any international organisation confirmed by a determinative finding of a competent and international tribunal that Singapore has breached any rule of international law, including treaties or conventions, in relation to any matter where AGC's legal advice has been accepted and applied	0	0	0	0
	No. of instances of determinative finding by a competent and reputable international tribunal that Singapore has breached any rule of International law including treaties and conventions, in relation to any matter where AGC's legal advice has been accepted and applied	0	0	0	0
	No. of instances of determinative finding by a competent court in Singapore that Singapore has failed to honour its legal obligations contained in any international, bilateral or regional treaty or convention by means of domestic laws, in relation to any matter where AGC's legal advice has been accepted and applied	0	0	0	0
A rule based regional and multi-lateral trading system as well as bilateral arrangements with key or strategic trading partners which safeguards and enhances Singapore's interest	% of participation at international and/or regional negotiations of trade agreements at forums such as WTO, ASEAN and APEC as well as bilateral negotiations with key or strategic trading partners participated in by Chambers, at the request of the Ministry of Trade & Industry and other relevant agencies, to safeguard and enhance Singapore's interest	99.2	100.0	100.0	100.0