

“Enhanced Productivity Programme : 2000-01” Booklet

Report on EPP Savings -- University Grants Committee

Total value of EPP Savings: **\$2.299m**, equivalent to **4.9%** of total Recurrent Baseline Expenditure in 2000-01 which is subject to EPP. The total savings have already been achieved in 1999-2000 through advance implementation of EPP, which will continue to be delivered in 2000-01 and beyond.

Category	\$m	EPP Measures	Safeguards for Quality Service
DE/OC	2.299	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct a comprehensive and critical review of the employment of temporary staff in the Secretariat. As a result, the employment of temporary staff has been shortened as far as practicable and the number of temporary staff planned to be employed reduced. • Keep the rate of referee fee paid to overseas external assessors for reviewing research grants proposals and reports unchanged at HK\$900. • Negotiate with the hotel for a more favourable room rate for University Grants Committee /Research Grants Council members, thereby reducing the hotel accommodation expenses. 	<p>We have been able to accommodate manpower requirements through streamlining of procedures and better utilisation of existing resources.</p> <p>We have stipulated the service standard and will closely monitor the performance provided.</p>
Total	2.299		

Note

PE :	Personal Emoluments	i.e. Staff salaries and allowances
PRE :	Personnel Related Expenses	i.e. Costs related to the employment of staff other than pay and allowances e.g. pensions, staff housing
DE :	Departmental Expenses	i.e. The day to day operating expenses of departments e.g. fuel, travelling expenses and furniture
OC :	Other Charges	i.e. Significant expenditure peculiar to a particular department's operation