34 Fighting Corruption

Detailed Progress

1 Seek out and eradicate corruption through professional and effective investigation

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To reinforce our investigative capability to cope with the upsurge in caseload and corruption reportsTo restructure the investigation teams in 2002-2003 with a view to providing appropriate level of operational expertise necessary to tackle growing caseloads and increasing Department,(Action in Progress : On Schedule)To restructure the investigation teams in 2002-2003 with a view to providing appropriate level of operational expertise necessary to tackle growing(Action in Progress : On Schedule)	Initiative *	Target #	Present Position †
Independent corruption offences Commission Against (2001) ICAC)) (2001)	investigative capability to cope with the upsurge in caseload and corruption reports received (Operations Department, Independent Commission Against Corruption (Op D,	investigation teams in 2002-2003 with a view to providing appropriate level of operational expertise necessary to tackle growing caseloads and increasing sophistication in corruption offences	

* the bracketed information denotes the agency with lead responsibility for the initiative

the bracketed information denotes the year in which the target was set

† the bracketed information denotes the status of the target

Initiative	Target	Present Position
To improve the capability and security of our information technology systems (<i>Op D, ICAC</i>)	 To review and enhance in 2002-2003 the security of the computer systems in the Op D to guard against invasion, and to safeguard confidential information and personal data To conduct a study in 2002-2003 on the viability of introducing electronic communication of graphic images and data in field operations 	(Action in Progress : On Schedule)
	(2001)	

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To enhance efficiency and quality of video interviews and transcription processes in criminal corruption investigations (<i>Op D, ICAC</i>)	• To conduct a study in 2002-2003 on the technical and evidential viability of developing digital technology in video interview procedures and corresponding improvements to the layout design of video interview rooms	(Action in Progress : On Schedule)
	• To install video interview facilities in the Commission Training School to enhance training and performance in video interview techniques (2001)	
To enhance our case management capability through a comprehensive review of case preparation and prosecution, with a view to identifying opportunities and strategies	• To expand in 2002-2003 the staffing of the Central Property Unit so as to provide dedicated support for the physical security and administration of case property	• (Action Completed)
(Op D, ICAC)	(2001)	

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	• To examine the feasibility of installing a computerised monitoring system to track and maintain the evidential integrity of case exhibits (2001)	• (Action in Progress : On Schedule)
	• To conduct a research project aimed at establishing in 2000-2001, a standardised system for the collation and preparation of evidence, with a capability for electronic processing of documentary exhibits (1999)	• (Action Completed)
To improve our recruitment and promotion selection processes so that candidates can be tested and selected on the basis of their potential and actual ability in core competency skills (<i>Op D, ICAC</i>))	To establish a recruitment and promotion selection Assessment Centre in the Operations Department Training School to enhance the existing recruitment and promotion processes by 2001-2002 (2000)	(Action Completed)

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To enhance mutual liaison and co-operation with Mainland and overseas anti-corruption law enforcement agencies in order to facilitate effective cross-boundary corruption investigation (<i>Op D, ICAC</i>)	To enhance the content of a quarterly International Anti-Corruption Newsletter on the ICAC Website and to establish hyperlinks between the ICAC Website and websites of other anti-corruption agencies by 2001-2002 (2000)	(Action Completed)
To address growing concern over instances of misuse of public office for gain by government officers (<i>Op D, ICAC</i>)	To complete a research study on the desirability of making misuse of public office for gain a statutory offence by 2001-2002 (2000)	(Action Completed)

2 Educate the public on the anti-corruption legislation and the consequences of corruption, as well as enlist public support

To achieve results in this area, various initiatives have been undertaken in the past years. Details are set out below —

Initiative	Target	Present Position
To consolidate the anti-corruption culture among the young by running a series of moral education programmes (Community Relations Department, Independent Commission Against Corruption (CRD, ICAC))	 To set up in 2002-2003 an electronic resource centre on moral education materials for teachers and youth workers To launch in 2002-2003 a campus chapter and an associated Webjay programme on the ICAC Youth Website with the emphasis on students' participation To produce in the first half of 2002 a TV programme showing different ways to live a fuller life by young people (2001) 	(Action Completed)

 To reinforce the community in building up a probity culture through a mass media campaign and a community Integrity Programme (CRD, ICAC) To encourage district organisations to organise anti-corruption activities To encourage district projects on the theme of Community Integrity Programme To encourage district projects on the theme of Community Integrity Programme To encourage district projects on the theme of Community Integrity Programme 	Initiative	Target	Present Position
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in late 2002 to early 2003 (2001)		organisations to organise 20 district projects on the theme of Community Integrity Programme in late 2002 to early 2003	

Initiative	Target	Present Position
To foster an anti-corruption culture in the community through family-based education	• To produce and launch a family-based package for parents in 2001-2002	(Action Completed)
(CRD, ICAC)	• To hold 30 seminars for members of school parents' associations in 2001-2002	
	• To promote the family-based package through a territory-wide publicity programme and a series of district projects in 2001-2002	
	(2000)	

Promote the integrity of the civil service and of public sector practices and procedures

To achieve results in this area, various initiatives have been undertaken in the past years. Details are set out below -

Initiative	Target	Present Position
To sustain a civil service culture of probity jointly with Civil Service Bureau (CSB) through the civil service integrity management programme (Community Relations Department, Independent Commission Against Corruption (CRD, ICAC))	 To organise in 2002 jointly with CSB a forum on the current integrity challenges for senior government officials In collaboration with CSB, to assist departments, through training programmes and publicity efforts to entrench the culture of probity among civil servants in the years 2002 and 2003 (2001) 	(Action in Progress : On Schedule)
	(2001)	

Initiative	Target	Present Position
To promote corruption prevention awareness and ethical commitment in public sector organisations (Corruption Prevention Department, Independent Commission Against Corruption (CPD, ICAC) and CRD, ICAC)	 To assist all public bodies scheduled under the Prevention of Bribery Ordinance in promulgating a corporate code of conduct for staff in the years 2002 and 2003 To conduct 20 seminars in the years 2002 and 2003 to enhance corruption prevention awareness in the scheduled public bodies (2001) 	(Action in Progress : On Schedule)
To assist Buildings Department (BD) in the formulation and implementation of new policies and procedures for the control of unauthorised building works (CPD, ICAC)	 To conduct in 2002 a review of BD's policies and procedures for the control of unauthorised building works To assist BD in putting in place corruption prevention safeguards in employing external agencies and personnel in support of its efforts in the control of unauthorised building works in 2002 (2001) 	(Action Completed)

Initiative	Target	Present Position
Together with Housing Department (HD), to assist the Property Services Companies (PSCs) on HD's approved list in drawing up corruption resistant systems in delivering estate management services in public housing estates (CPD and CRD, ICAC)	 To assist all approved PSCs in drawing up a code of conduct for staff in 2002 To promulgate a set of best practices on estate management and minor maintenance for all approved PSCs in 2002 To organise 20 corruption prevention training seminars for approved PSCs in 2002 (2001) 	(Action Completed)
Together with Social Welfare Department, to promote corruption prevention practices in non-governmental organisations (NGOs) participating in the "Lump Sum Grant" scheme (CPD and CRD, ICAC)	 To conduct in 2002 two reviews respectively on staff administration and procurement procedures of NGOs with a view to promulgating best practices To raise corruption prevention awareness in all such NGOs through visits and training seminars in the years 2002 and 2003 (2001) 	 (Action Completed) (Action in Progress : On Schedule)

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To promote civil service integrity jointly with the Civil Service Bureau (CSB) by assisting government departments in implementing departmental integrity programmes	To organise in conjunction with the CSB workshops or experience-sharing sessions for departmental managers on common integrity issues in 2001-2002	(Action Completed)
(Community Relations Department, Independent Commission Against Corruption (CRD, ICAC))	(2000)	
To minimise the opportunities for		

opportunities for corruption, together with the Housing Department (HD), in the construction of public housing units by —

• Providing prompt corruption prevention input in the formulation of new construction systems and procedures under the quality housing reform programme of the Housing Authority (HA) • To provide assistance (Action Completed) to the HA as the reform programme progresses

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• Organising specially designed training seminars to raise the corruption prevention awareness of HD site supervisors (CPD and CRD, ICAC)	• To conduct 50 training seminars in 2001-2002 (2000)	
To assist the Urban Renewal Authority (URA) in implementing corruption resistant procedures in carrying out its functions	To conduct two studies within the first year of URA's operation to review in detail URA's work in relation to its statutory functions	(Action Completed)
(CPD, ICAC)	(2000)	

4 Promote best practices, high ethical standards and fairness in the private sector

To achieve results in this area, various initiatives have been undertaken in the past years. Details are set out below -

Initiative	Target	Present Position
To sustain long-term ethical training in the construction industry (Community Relations Department and Corruption Prevention Department, Independent Commission Against Corruption (CRD and CPD, ICAC))	 To develop e-learning packages for construction-related professions in 2002 To encourage construction-related professional bodies to incorporate ethics training in their Continuing Professional Development programmes 	(Action in Progress : On Schedule)
	(2001)	
To raise management professionals' awareness of integrity issues relating to the electronic working environment	To produce a package to address integrity issues relating to the e-working environment in 2002-2003	(Action in Progress : On Schedule)
(CRD, ICAC)	(2001)	
To enhance investors' awareness of the anti-corruption legislation in Hong Kong and Shanghai (CRD, ICAC)	To produce a legal guide jointly with the Shanghai Municipal People's Procuratorate in 2002 (2001)	(Action Completed)

Target	Present Position
• To organise an industry-wide conference in late 2002	• The conference has been deferred to 21 March 2003 upon the advice of the industry which will organise major international events in late 2002 (Action in Progress : Under Review)
• To offer corruption prevention services to major companies in the industries in the years 2002 and 2003	• (Action in Progress : On Schedule)
• To conduct 30 seminars for practitioners in 2003 (2001)	• (Action in Progress : On Schedule)
 To promulgate a set of best practices for the protection of customer information for the industry in the first half of 2002 To conduct 20 training workshops for supervisors and front-line staff of telecommunication service providers in 2002-2003 	(Action Completed)
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To promote corruption and fraud prevention measures in the handling of credit card data in the retail business (CRD and CPD, ICAC) To launch a comprehensive corruption prevention programme on building management for Owners' Corporations (OCs) and property management companies	 To promulgate a set of guidelines on the secure handling of credit card data by retailers through their major trade associations in 2002 To organise jointly with major credit card issuers in 2002 a conference to raise awareness among the retailers on the secure handling of credit card data (2001) To organise three regional seminars for office bearers of OCs in 2001 (2000) 	(Action Completed) (Action Completed)
(CRD and CPD, ICAC))		
To work closely with banking regulators and professional bodies to enhance ethical practices in the industry (CRD, ICAC)	 To conduct 50 training seminars for bank managers in 2001-2002 To produce an on-line training package for all banking staff in 2001-2002 (2000) 	(Action Completed)
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To alert practitioners in the insurance industry to anti-corruption laws and promote ethical practice in the industry (CRD and CPD, ICAC)	To organise an industry-wide conference in late 2001 (2000)	(Action Completed)
To step up corruption prevention education for the construction industry	To conduct 100 on-site training talks for site supervisors and workers in 2001-2002	(Action Completed)
(CPD and CRD, ICAC)	(2000)	
To raise the profile of the Hong Kong Ethics Development Centre (CRD, ICAC)	To launch a website for the Centre in 2001 (2000)	(Action Completed)
To promote fairness and high ethical standards in the IT field by organising a conference for related professional associations (CRD, ICAC)	To organise the conference in the second half of 2001 (2000)	(Action Completed)