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Minister for Courts

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ADMINISTERING DEPARTMENT: Ministry of Justice

The Minister of Justice is the Responsible Minister for the Ministry of Justice

Part B - Statement of Appropriations

Summary of Financial Activity

	2006/07	2006/07 Appropriations to be Used				Total \$000
	Main Estimates \$000	By the Department Administering the Vote		For Non-Departmental Transactions		
		Annual \$000	Other \$000	Annual \$000	Other \$000	
Appropriations						
Output Expenses	333,894	336,051	-	-	-	336,051
Benefits and Other Unrequited Expenses	-	N/A	N/A	-	-	-
Borrowing Expenses	-	N/A	N/A	-	-	-
Other Expenses	186,235	-	-	142,879	78,774	221,653
Capital Expenditure	-	N/A	N/A	-	-	-
Intelligence and Security Department Expenses and Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	N/A	N/A	-
Total Appropriations	520,129	336,051	-	142,879	78,774	557,704
Crown Revenue and Receipts						
Tax Revenue	-	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	-
Non-Tax Revenue	240,921	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	240,833
Capital Receipts	-	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	-
Total Crown Revenue and Receipts	240,921	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	240,833

Part B1 - Details of Appropriations

Appropriations	2006/07						Scope of and Reasons for Change in 2006/07 Appropriations
	Main Estimates		Supplementary Estimates		Cumulative Vote		
	Annual \$000	Other \$000	Annual \$000	Other \$000	Annual \$000	Other \$000	
Departmental Output Expenses (General)							
Collection and Enforcement of Fines and Civil Debts Services (M19)	64,086	-	(805)	-	63,281	-	Purchase of collection and enforcement of fines and civil debts services.
District Court Services (M19)	150,832	-	2,952	-	153,784	-	Provision of services in regard to the work of the District Courts, including the Youth Court and Family Court.
Higher Court Services (M19)	44,866	-	2,618	-	47,484	-	Provision of services in regard to the work of the Supreme Court, Court of Appeal and High Court. Reason for Change: New funding for support costs for additional judicial appointments and adjustments made to reflect forecast out-turns and corporate overhead allocations.
Specialist Courts, Tribunals and Other Authorities Services (M19)	66,227	-	(2,695)	-	63,532	-	Provision of services in regard to the work of the Environment Court, Employment Court, Māori Land Court, Māori Appellate Court, Disputes Tribunals, Tenancy Tribunal, Liquor Licensing Authority, Coroners and a range of tribunals and other authorities. This output class also includes services to Māori landowners and contracting mortuary services as part of supporting the work of Coroners.
Waitangi Tribunal Services (M19)	7,883	-	87	-	7,970	-	Purchase of research and administrative services related to the management of claims through the Waitangi Tribunal.
Total Departmental Output Expenses (General)	333,894	-	2,157	-	336,051	-	
Other Expenses to be Incurred by the Crown							
Abortion Supervisory Committee - Certifying Consultants Fees (M19)	4,334	-	694	-	5,028	-	Payments to certifying consultants for providing opinions under Section 33 of the Contraception, Sterilisation and Abortion Act 1977.
Assistance to Victims of Crime (M19)	40	-	-	-	40	-	Funding for the Criminal Justice Assistance Reimbursement Scheme.
Children Young Persons and Their Families Professional Costs (M19)	7,378	-	1,422	-	8,800	-	Payments to court appointed counsel and specialists providing reports as directed by the court in relation to care and protection orders under the Children, Young Persons and Their Families Act 1989. Reason for Change: To reflect the latest forecast of expenditure.
Coroner Related Fees and Expenses (M19)	2,537	-	-	-	2,537	-	Payments to Coroners for the performance of their judicial responsibilities.

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	Main Estimates		Supplementary Estimates		Cumulative Vote		
	Annual \$000	Other \$000	Annual \$000	Other \$000	Annual \$000	Other \$000	
Appropriations							
Coroner-Directed Post-Mortems (M19)	6,971	-	-	-	6,971	-	Cost of pathology services and mortuary facilities for coroner-directed post-mortems.
Costs in Criminal Cases (M19)	300	-	-	-	300	-	Costs awarded to defendants by a court under the Costs in Criminal Cases Act 1967.
Family Court Counselling and Professional Services (M19)	25,031	-	1,769	-	26,800	-	Payments to Court appointed counsel and specialists providing reports and counselling as directed by the Court in relation to custody and access matters and matrimonial disputes. From 2006/07 onwards this appropriation will include payments to service providers appointed by the Court under provisions of the Care of Children Act 2004. Reason for Change: To reflect the latest forecast of expenditure.
Fees Associated with Orders Under the Domestic Violence Act 1995 (M19)	4,267	-	1,600	-	5,867	-	Payments to court appointed counsel and programme providers in relation to the Domestic Violence Act 1995. Reason for Change: To reflect the latest forecast of expenditure.
Fines Provisions and Remittals (M19)	8,768	-	13,111	-	21,879	-	Estimate of future fines remittals by Judges. Reason for Change: Ministry's estimate of the value of fines that will be remitted by judges.
Fines Writedowns (M19)	40,606	-	8,696	-	49,302	-	Outstanding fines whose profiles are deemed highly unlikely to be collected due to age, traceability, overseas residency and that are known deceased persons whose files are in the process of being remitted. Reason for Change: To reflect the latest forecast of expenditure.
Judges' Salaries and Allowances (M19)	-	73,447	-	5,327	-	78,774	Costs related to the terms and conditions of remuneration for Judges and acting warranted Judges in the Supreme Court, Court of Appeal, High Court, District Court, Employment Court and Māori Land Court incurred pursuant to s.9A Judicature Act 1908, s.6 District Courts Act 1948 and s.13 Te Ture Whenua Māori Land Act 1993. Reason for Change: Result of the impact of the determination of the Remuneration Authority in October 2006 and the latest forecast of expenditure on personnel related costs.
Judicial Review Costs (M19)	391	-	259	-	650	-	Cost of legal services (including settlement of claims) in cases involving the exercise of judicial functions or the execution of judicial process or costs of counsel to assist the court, including payments ordered to be made from the Māori Land Court Special Aid Fund. Reason for Change: To reflect the latest forecast of expenditure.
Justices of the Peace Association (M19)	147	-	-	-	147	-	Cost of administrative services from the Royal Federation of Justices to roster Justices of the Peace for court hearings.

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	Main Estimates		Supplementary Estimates		Cumulative Vote		
	Annual \$000	Other \$000	Annual \$000	Other \$000	Annual \$000	Other \$000	
Appropriations							
Other Expenses to be Incurred by the Crown - cont'd							
Medical and Other Professional Services (M19)	2,466	-	-	-	2,466	-	Funding for medical and other professional services as required by legislation.
MVDT Adjudicator Remuneration and Assessors Costs (M19)	272	-	-	-	272	-	Remuneration paid to adjudicators and fees and allowances paid to assessors of the Motor Vehicle Disputes Tribunal (MVDT).
Personal Property Protection Rights Costs (M19)	1,156	-	244	-	1,400	-	Payments to service providers appointed by the court under the Protection of Personal and Property Rights Act 1988. Reason for Change: To reflect the latest forecast of expenditure.
Representations for Blood Sampling (M19)	10	-	-	-	10	-	Cost of representation for parties (aged under 17) appearing before the court with regard to providing blood samples in criminal investigations.
Tribunal Members Fees and Expenses (M19)	-	-	510	-	510	-	Fees for the Chairs and Members of Specialist Tribunals, and expenses incurred by those Chairs and Members in relation to Tribunal work. Reason for Change: Transfer of funds from departmental expenses to other expenses to be incurred by crown for Implementation of the Weathertight Homes Resolution Service.
Visiting Justices to Prisons (M19)	148	-	152	-	300	-	To meet fees and expenses for Senior Counsel and Justices of the Peace appointed as Visiting Justices to prisons. Reason for Change: To reflect the latest forecast of expected expenditure.
Witness Fees and Expenses (M19)	2,400	-	400	-	2,800	-	Payments to ordinary and expert witnesses appearing in criminal jury trials. Reason for Change: To reflect the latest forecast of expenditure.
Youth Court Professional Fees (M19)	5,566	-	1,234	-	6,800	-	Payments to court appointed counsel and specialists providing reports as directed in the Youth Court. Reason for Change: To reflect the latest forecast of expenditure.
Total Other Expenses to be Incurred by the Crown	112,788	73,447	30,091	5,327	142,879	78,774	
Total Appropriations	446,682	73,447	32,248	5,327	478,930	78,774	

Part F - Crown Revenue and Receipts

Part F1 - Current and Capital Revenue and Capital Receipts

	2006/07			Description of 2006/07 Crown Revenue
	Main Estimates \$000	Supplementary Estimates \$000	Total Budgeted \$000	
Non-Tax Revenue				
Court Fines	240,872	(88)	240,784	Estimated revenue expected to be collected on behalf of the Crown from the enforcement of monetary penalties imposed through the Courts.
Money Forfeited to the Crown	49	-	49	Judicial orders made to pay money to the Crown.
Total Non-Tax Revenue	240,921	(88)	240,833	
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