

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHIEF MINISTER
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 15th FEBRUARY 2011**

Question

Will the Chief Minister advise members –

- (a) what the duties and responsibilities are of each Assistant Minister - please detail individually;
- (b) whether Assistant Ministers have budgets under their direct control or authority and, if so the total amounts of such funds;
- (c) whether credit pr purchase cards and/or expense allowances are allocated to Assistant Ministers and, if so, give details ?

Answer

- (a) Members will be aware that the duties and responsibilities of Assistant Ministers are published on the States website. I attach the link for information <http://www.gov.je/Government/HowGovernmentWorks/Pages/DelegatedFunctions.aspx>
- (b) The funding allocated by the States to a Department is the responsibility of that department's accounting officer. The accounting officer can delegate responsibility for some of that funding but remains directly accountable for all expenditure of the department.
- (c) No Assistant Minister has a purchase card provided for the purpose of his or her appointment as an Assistant Minister, nor do they receive an expense allowance as an Assistant Minister.