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Funeral expenses are unaffordable to a large proportion of the community. The funeral industry appears to be operating in cartels, with a 50%+ ownership by overseas companies. The competition in the industry thus appears to be minimal.

There is very little public information circulating about the procedures and costs of arranging funerals. The government should ensure low budget funerals are provided and accessible.

The role of the D. of Health in regulating the funeral industry is unclear. The registration of funeral directors and funeral parlours is not clear. There appears generally to be few government controls of this industry, from pricing to services to accreditation.

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