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examining the Estimates of Expenditure 2015-16
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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

CEDB(CIT)243

(Question Serial No.0270)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): (-) -

Programme: (1) Tourism and Recreational Development

Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development

Question:

The Civil Engineering and Development Department will provide engineering input on the projects of the Ocean Park and Hong Kong Disneyland Resort. Will the Department charge them for the provision of input? If yes, what is the expenditure under this programme after deducting such revenue?

Asked by: Hon LAU Wong-fat (Member Question No. 12)

Reply:

The Ocean Park and the Hong Kong Disneyland Resort manage and implement their development plans through their own engineering teams. The Civil Engineering and Development Department does not receive any fees regarding provision of engineering input on the development plans mainly in respect of government requirements.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

CEDB(CIT)244

(Question Serial No.0424)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): (-) -
Programme: (1) Tourism and Recreational Development
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development

Question:

During 2015–16, the Civil Engineering and Development Department will commence the remaining dredging works for the second berth of Kai Tak Cruise Terminal. Will the Government advise on the relevant works completion date, the berth's commissioning date and the latest estimated expenditure?

Asked by: Hon TIEN Pei-chun, James (Member Question No. 22)

Reply:

The second berth of Kai Tak Cruise Terminal has commenced operation since September 2014. To enable the second berth to accommodate the largest cruise vessels in the world in the longer term, the Civil Engineering and Development Department will carry out the remaining dredging works for the second berth immediately after the Hong Kong and China Gas Company Limited has completed the diversion of relevant submarine gas pipelines in March 2015. We expect to complete the remaining dredging works in early 2016, and the estimated expenditure in 2015-16 is \$58 million.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

CEDB(CIT)245

(Question Serial No. 1342)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): (-) -
Programme: (1) Tourism and Recreational Development
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development

Question:

In Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2015-16, the Government will continue to implement the improvement works to the tourist facilities in the promenades of the Aberdeen Harbour and Ap Lei Chau Main Street area, please advise:

1. How much estimated expenditure and manpower are reserved for the work?
2. What is the timetable for implementing the improvement works? What are the tourist facilities to be added and improved?

Asked by: Hon YIU Si-wing (Member Question No. 16)

Reply:

Details of the works are as follows:

1. The expenditure of the improvement works to promenades of Aberdeen Harbour and Ap Lei Chau Main Street area (the Project) is estimated at about \$22 million in 2015-16. Two professional staff from the Civil Engineering and Development Department are involved in handling the Project and other projects.
2. The works of the Project have been substantially completed and the whole project is expected to be completed by 2015. The Project mainly includes the following facilities:

- (i) Construction of an information kiosk, sampan seatings, a boardwalk, bronze displays, feature walls and cruise landing shelter, and re-construction of the viewing deck, performance stage and fitness area at Aberdeen promenade.
- (ii) Expansion of the forecourt of the Hung Shing Temple, re-construction of the information kiosk, and construction of a lighthouse display, bronze displays and Wind Tower Park entrance at Ap Lei Chau promenade.
- (iii) Re-paving the footpath with coloured concrete pavers, installing decorative roadside railings and street lightings at Ap Lei Chau Main Street area.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

CEDB(CIT)246

(Question Serial No. 1343)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): (-) -
Programme: (1) Tourism and Recreational Development
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development

Question:

In Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2015-16, the Government will continue with the planning and design of a public landing facility and related marine works in the Lei Yue Mun area, please advise:

1. How much estimated expenditure and manpower are reserved for the work?
2. What is the timetable for implementing the improvement works? Apart from the public landing facilities, what are the public facilities related to tourism to be added?

Asked by: Hon YIU Si-wing (Member Question No. 17)

Reply:

The proposed public landing facility for Lei Yue Mun is one of the facilities to be provided under the Lei Yue Mun Waterfront Enhancement Project. Apart from the public landing facility, the scope of the Lei Yue Mun Waterfront Project also includes the construction of a breakwater and a waterfront promenade; the provision of several lookout points and streetscape improvement works along the footpath linking up the lookout points; as well as the construction of a new viewing platform, etc. We are working on the required statutory procedures for the project works and are yet to confirm the timetable for the implementation of the project. As the project is still at the planning stage, there is no expenditure to be incurred in 2015-16. Our staffing for the project has been subsumed into the establishment of this Department for 2015-16, and it is difficult to quantify the amount separately.

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DEVB(PL)098

(Question Serial No. 0149)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not Specified
Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

In Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2015-16 under this programme, the Government has indicated that it will continue with the design of the advance works and first stage works for the Kwu Tung North and Fanling North New Development Areas. Will the Government inform this Committee of:

- (1) the estimated operational expenditure involved for the above matters in 2015-16?
- (2) the responsible establishment and the estimated annual total emoluments for the above matters in 2015-16?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Wai-yip, Albert (Member Question No. 24)

Reply:

Operational expenditure involved for taking forward the Kwu Tung North and Fanling North New Development Areas (NDAs) in 2015-16 involves mainly personal emoluments of in-house staff working on the project, including management of the design and site investigation of the advance works and first stage works for the NDAs for which funding has been approved. In the Civil Engineering and Development Department, 12 in-house professional staff are involved in managing the design of the advance works and first stage works for the NDAs. The estimated overall personal emoluments of these staff in 2015-16 are about \$12.4 million. In addition, there are officers at senior management levels overseeing these projects among other projects, as well as technical and clerical staff involved in providing support to the projects. There is no separate breakdown for the personal emoluments of such staff involved solely in the work on the NDAs.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(PL)099

(Question Serial No. 1002)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not Specified
Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Regarding the commencement of planning and works for North East New Territories, Hung Shui Kiu and Yuen Long south, please advise:

- (a) What are the figures of agricultural land, active agricultural land and livestock farms affected by the planning and works for North East New Territories, Hung Shui Kiu and Yuen Long south respectively? What is the area of agricultural land newly created for this purpose?
- (b) What are the Government's expenditure and manpower establishment for the consultation and studies for the above planning in 2014-15?

Asked by: Hon HO Chun-yin, Steven (Member Question No. 19)

Reply:

- (a) In July 2013, the Government announced the final plans for the Kwu Tung North (KTN) New Development Areas (NDA) and Fanling North (FLN) NDA, and its decision to take out the proposed Ping Che/Ta Kwu Ling NDA from the North East New Territories NDA project for further examination together with other areas in New Territories North. The final plans for the KTN and FLN NDAs will affect about 28 hectares (ha) active agricultural land and one livestock farm. On the other hand, about 95 ha of land has been zoned "Other Specified Uses(Nature Park)" and "Agriculture" which include the 37.5 ha Long Valley Nature Park for maintaining the existing wet agricultural activities that have created the present high ecological value of the area and 45.9 ha of agricultural land to its north and south as well as another 12.5 ha of agricultural land at Fu Tei Au. In addition, about 128 ha of land has been zoned "Green Belt" in which the practice of agricultural activities is always permitted.

As regards the situation for the Hung Shui Kiu (HSK) NDA and the Yuen Long South Potential Development Area (YLS PDA), the relevant studies are still on-going and we are hence unable to provide the information requested.

- (b) The expenditure and manpower deployed by the Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) in 2014-15 are set out below -

	Project expenditure (\$ M)	No. of CEDD professional staff solely involved with the project
KTN and FLN NDAs	9.6	11
HSK NDA	9.3	2
YLS PDA	10.1	1

Note: Project expenditure includes consultants' fees and costs of surveys and ground investigation works. There are also officers at senior management level who oversee the projects and technical and clerical staff involved in providing support as part of their overall duties.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(PL)100

(Question Serial No. 3264)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not Specified
Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Regarding the planning to be continued and the design to be commenced for the advance works and first stage works for the North East New Territories (NENT) New Development Areas (NDAs), will the Government consult the local villagers? What is the working timetable and details concerned? Will the government reserve expenditure on the litigation against the impact of the works on the villagers?

Asked by: Hon HO Sau-lan, Cyd (Member Question No. 68)

Reply:

With respect to the advance works and first stage works of the Kwu Tung North (KTN) and Fanling North (FLN) New Development Areas (NDAs), we continue to maintain dialogue with the local villagers and will liaise with them on the design and ground investigation works for the NDAs as necessary. No funding provision has been reserved by this Department for any legal proceeding in connection with the implementation of the NDAs. We will work with the Department of Justice as necessary should there be any legal proceeding so arising.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY**DEVB(PL)101****(Question Serial No. 2738)**

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): Not Specified

Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure

Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

In Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2015-16, it is mentioned that the infrastructure projects in Lok Wo Sha, Fo Tan, Sha Tin and Tseung Kwan O will be continued. Please list out the detailed information on the expenditure involved, works commencement date, scope of works, project items, etc.

Asked by: Hon QUAT Elizabeth (Member Question No. 67)

Reply:

Detailed information on the projects is set out in the table below -

PWP item no. and Project title	Works Scope	Areas in which expenditure to be spent in 2015-16	Works commencement date	Source of funding	Expenditure in 2015-16 (\$M)
7756CL - Ma On Shan development - roads, drainage and sewerage works at Whitehead and Lok Wo Sha, phase 2	Road widening works, construction of footbridge, sewage pumping station and sewers together with ancillary works	Consultants' fees, construction cost and resident site staff cost	Construction works are scheduled to commence in June 2015	7100CX	0.3
				7756CL	31.8

PWP item no. and Project title	Works Scope	Areas in which expenditure to be spent in 2015-16	Works commencement date	Source of funding	Expenditure in 2015-16 (\$M)
B757CL - Roads and Drains in Area 16 and Area 58D, Sha Tin	Road widening and realignment works together with ancillary works	Consultants' fees, construction cost and resident site staff cost	Subject to Finance Committee's funding approval, the construction works are scheduled to commence in end 2015	B100HX	1.0
				B757CL	2.0
7394CL - Sha Tin New Town - stage II : servicing and extension of Pai Tau Village in area 6A	Site formation and ancillary works	Consultants' fees and site investigation works	Subject to the outcome of public consultation and Finance Committee's funding approval, construction works are scheduled to commence in 2016	7394CL	3.1
7458CL - Sha Tin New Town, Stage 2 - Construction of Road T3	Road works construction, provision of footpaths and noise barriers together with ancillary works	Consultants' fees, construction cost and resident site staff cost	Most works commenced in March 2003 and have largely been completed. The remaining works, namely construction of a new slip road, commenced in January 2014 for completion in mid-2015.	7458CL	17.0

PWP item no. and Project title	Works Scope	Areas in which expenditure to be spent in 2015-16	Works commencement date	Source of funding	Expenditure in 2015-16 (\$M)
7160TB - Footbridge across Po Yap Road linking Tseung Kwan O Area 55 and Area 65	Footbridge construction together with ancillary works	Consultants' fees, construction cost and resident site staff cost	Construction works commenced in June 2014	7160TB	31.9

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(PL)102

(Question Serial No. 2613)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not Specified
Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Regarding “the continuation of the “detailed design for the development of Anderson Road Quarry site”, what are the present progress of various development projects including road improvement works and the pedestrian linkage system, the anticipated time for gazetting individual project and the relevant procedures? What will the funding application be expected to be submitted to the Legislative Council for the projects at the earliest?

Asked by: Hon WU Chi-wai (Member Question No. 8)

Reply:

Design for the development of Anderson Road Quarry site covers three major components: (a) Site Formation and Infrastructural Works (“SF&I”); (b) Pedestrian Connectivity Works (“PC”); and (c) Off-site Road Improvement Works (“RIW”), and is in progress.

For the first two components, i.e. SF&I and PC, they will be gazetted under the relevant ordinances for road works and sewerage works in mid-2015. As for RIW, the proposed works will be gazetted under the Roads (Works, Use and Compensation) Ordinance (Chapter 370) in end-2015 upon completion of environmental impact assessment. We will proceed in phases with the funding applications after the respective statutory authorisations.

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DEVB(PL)103

(Question Serial No. 2614)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not Specified
Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

What is the progress of the development of ex-Cha Kwo Ling Kaoline Mine Site? What was the total number of public consultation forums held for the development? In light of some citizens' concern about the impact of the development on the community environment, how will the Government adjust the design so as to reduce the impact on the community environment?

Asked by: Hon WU Chi-wai (Member Question No. 9)

Reply:

The statutory planning process under the Town Planning Ordinance for the rezoning proposal for the development of ex-Cha Kwo Ling Kaolin Mine Site (the proposed development) is underway. The exhibition period for public inspection of the draft Outline Zoning Plans ended on 23 February 2015. The Town Planning Board will consider the representations received. As for the infrastructure project to support the proposed development, we are preparing for gazettal of the road works under the Roads (Works, Use and Compensation) Ordinance.

Since September 2014, we have attended a total of seven forums (including meetings and a site visit) for consultation on the infrastructure project with local representatives, interested members of the Legislative Council, Kwun Tong District Council (KTDC) and the Traffic and Transport Committee of KTDC. Regarding the concerns raised by some citizens about the impact of the proposed development on the community environment, according to the technical assessments conducted, the proposed development would not cause unacceptable adverse impacts on traffic, the environment or infrastructure with the implementation of appropriate mitigation measures including improvement of the existing road junctions in the vicinity. We will continue to explain in detail to the local community the impact assessment results and the improvement measures that will be carried out.

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DEVB(PL)164

(Question Serial No. 1420)

Head: (707) Capital Works Reserve Fund: New Towns and Urban Area Development

Subhead (No. & title): Not Specified

Programme: Not Specified

Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

- (1) What are the reasons for increasing the approved project estimate of Subhead 7394CL “Sha Tin New Town - stage II: servicing and extension of Pai Tau Village in Area 6A”? What is the up-to-date progress of the works? On which areas will the expenditure for 2015-16 be spent? Can the whole project be finished by the expected completion date as stated in the Approved Estimate?
- (2) What is the progress of Subhead 7772CL “Advance site formation and engineering infrastructure works at Kwu Tung North new development area and Fanling North new development area: detailed design and site investigation”? On which areas will the expenditure for 2015-16 be spent? Can the whole project be finished by the expected completion date as stated in the Approved Estimate?
- (3) What is the progress of Subhead 7774CL “Development of Anderson Road Quarry site: detailed design and site investigations”? On which areas will the expenditure for 2015-16 be spent? Can the whole project be finished by the expected completion date as stated in the Approved Estimate?
- (4) What is the progress of Subhead 7160TB “Footbridge across Po Yap Road linking Tseung Kwan O Area 55 and Area 65”? On which areas will the expenditure for 2015-16 be spent? Can the whole project be finished by the expected completion date as stated in the Approved Estimate?

Asked by: Hon FAN Kwok-wai, Gary (Member Question No. 44)

Reply:

According to Rule 49 of the Finance Committee Procedures, special meetings of the Finance Committee are convened to examine the annual Estimates of Expenditure prepared by the Government in support of the Appropriation Bill.

*Expenditure charged to the Capital Works Reserve Fund do **not** form part of the Appropriation Bill. As such, questions relating to expenditure under the Fund are **not** relevant to the examination of the Estimates of Expenditure or the Appropriation Bill.*

- (1) The purpose of increasing the Approved Project Estimate (APE) for project 7394CL “Sha Tin New Town stage II: servicing and extension of Pai Tau Village in Area 6A” is to reinitiate the engineering works to service and extend Pai Tau Village and provide land for small house development and associated infrastructure, a project which was suspended in 1999. In reinitiating this project, as a result of the increase in construction prices, design changes and additional infrastructure works including retaining walls, additional small house site, extension of emergency vehicular access and provision of natural terrain hazard mitigation measures in accordance with the prevailing requirements, we need to seek approval from the Finance Committee to increase the APE for the project which was originally approved in 1992.

The detailed design for the project is currently in progress. The expenditure under Sub-head 7394CL in 2015-16 is for consultants’ fees for detailed design and site investigation works. Subject to the Finance Committee’s approval for the increase in APE, construction works are planned to commence in 2016 for completion in 2018.

- (2) The consultancy study for “Advance site formation and engineering infrastructure works at Kwu Tung North and Fanling North New Development Areas - detailed design and site investigation” commenced in November 2014. We plan to complete the review of the preliminary design and commence the detailed design and ground investigation works for the advance works and first stage works in 2016. The expenditure under Subhead 7772CL in 2015-16 is for the consultants’ fees for detailed design, site investigation works and ancillary site supervision cost. It is anticipated that the detailed design will be finished by the expected completion date.
- (3) The consultancy study for “Development of Anderson Road Quarry site - detailed design and site investigations” commenced in July 2014. We will continue the detailed design and site investigation works in 2015-16. The expenditure under Sub-head 7774CL in 2015-16 is for the consultants’ fees, site investigation works and ancillary site supervision cost. It is anticipated that the detailed design will be finished by the expected completion date.

- (4) Construction works for “Footbridge across Po Yap Road linking Tseung Kwan O Area 55 and Area 65” are in progress. The expenditure under Sub-head 7160TB in 2015-16 includes the consultants’ fees, construction cost and resident site staff cost. It is anticipated that the construction works will be finished by the expected completion date.

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DEVB(PL)277

(Question Serial No. 3668)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified
Programme: (8) Advice on Development Proposals
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Can the Government advise this Committee:

- (1) Under this programme, how many times did the Government provide advice at the request of private developers in 2014-15? What were the names of the private developers involved?
- (2) Of the advice provided to other government departments in 2014-15, how many times involved the support for re-zoning greening belt sites into residential sites or commercial sites?
- (3) What are the operating expenses, establishment, estimated annual expenditure respectively involved in programme (8) in 2015-16?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Wai-yip, Albert (Member Question No.77)

Reply:

- (1) CEDD does not provide advice to private developers.
- (2) In 2014, the CEDD provided comments and advice to other government departments, including the Buildings Department, Lands Department and Planning Department, on about 2 700 proposals involving both public and private developments, and the town planning process, preparation of planning briefs, building plan submissions, etc. We do not keep a breakdown of the proposals by types.
- (3) For programme (8), the estimated financial provision in 2015-16 is \$34.1 million. The number of staff involved is 42 as at 31 March 2016.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(PL)278

(Question Serial No. 3470)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified
Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Regarding the continuation of the advance works and design of first stage works of the Kwu Tung North and Fanling North New Development Areas, what is the relevant timetable of the work, the manpower and rank of posts involved as well as the estimated timetable for the design and investigation of other stages of works?

Asked by: Hon HO Sau-lan, Cyd (Member Question No. 69)

Reply:

The detailed design of the advance works and first stage works for the Kwu Tung North and Fanling North New Development Areas (NDAs) commenced in November 2014. In the Civil Engineering and Development Department, 12 in-house professional staff, comprising 1 Chief Engineer, 4 Senior Engineers and 7 Engineers, were deployed for the planning and design of the NDAs. In addition, there were officers at senior management levels overseeing these NDA projects amongst other projects as well as technical and clerical staff involved in providing support to the projects as part of their overall duties. The programme of the remaining phases of the development is under review.

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DEVB(PL)279

(Question Serial No. 3493)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure

Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development
(F M LUK)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Regarding the continuation of the feasibility study for police facilities in Kong Nga Po, please state in detail the expenditure and manpower involved for the study as well as the study content and timetable?

Asked by: Hon HO Sau-lan, Cyd (Member Question No.70)

Reply:

The Engineering Study for Police Facilities in Kong Nga Po - Feasibility Study (the Study), including an environmental impact assessment, is to ascertain the engineering feasibility and environmental acceptability of co-locating police facilities in Kong Nga Po with a view to releasing the sites currently occupied by police facilities for other suitable uses including housing. The Study was commenced in December 2014 for completion in mid-2016. The estimated expenditure of the Study in 2015-16 is about \$8.4 million. Three in-house professional staff will be involved in managing the Study in addition to their other duties. There is no separate breakdown on the manpower expenditure deployed solely on the Study. There are also other staff in CEDD and Development Bureau who are involved with the work as part of their overall duties.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY**DEVB(PL)280****(Question Serial No. 3815)**

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure

Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development
(F M LUK)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

1. What are the uses of the 26.3 hectares of land estimated to be formed in 2015? Please list out the breakdowns of the areas by land uses.
2. Can the Department provide major land formation plans in the coming five years? If yes, what are the details? If no, what are the reasons?
3. The Government has indicated that land will be allocated for the development of creative industries in Lok Ma Chau Loop. Regarding the design of the advance works for development of Lok Ma Chau Loops as mentioned in the 2015-16 estimate, please provide details of the works and the estimated timetable of the land available for use.

Asked by: Hon MA Fung-kwok (Member Question No. 53)

Reply:

1. The breakdown of the area and major land use of land formation in 2015 are as follows:

Location of Project	Estimated Area of Land Formation in 2015	Major Land Use
Development at Anderson Road	0.3 ha	Open space
Wan Chai Development Phase II	2 ha	Open space

Location of Project	Estimated Area of Land Formation in 2015	Major Land Use
Kai Tak Development - Former Runway	1 ha	Commercial development
Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point (BCP) Site Formation Works	23 ha	BCP buildings
Total	26.3 ha	

2. In coming five years, CEDD will be involved in the following new major land formation works projects:

Location	Development Area	Major Land Use
Tuen Mun Area 54	7.4ha	Public housing development
Anderson Road Quarry site	40 ha	Public and private residential development and recreational uses
Tai Po	9.6 ha	Public housing development
Tung Chung	235 ha	Public and private residential/ commercial development
Kwu Tung North and Fanling North New Development Areas	160 ha	Public and private residential development
Yuen Long	5.7 ha	Public housing development
Fanling	4.3 ha	Public housing development
ex-Cha Kwo Ling Kaolin Mine Site	6 ha	Public and private residential development
Queen's Hill	13.6 ha	Public housing development

3. The advance works for the development of Lok Ma Chau Loop (LMCL) comprise mainly land decontamination, provision of environmental mitigation measures and temporary construction access for implementation of the site formation and infrastructure works in the LMCL. The project time table is under review.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(PL)281

(Question Serial No. 3761)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure

Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development
(F M LUK)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Regarding the commencement of the engineering feasibility studies for potential public housing sites and continuation of the preliminary feasibility study on developing the New Territories North, can the Government advise the details and progress of the studies? Are experts or consultants engaged for conducting the studies? What is the estimated expenditure and when will the studies be completed and the results of the studies released?

Asked by: Hon TIEN Pei-chun, James (Member Question No. 63)

Reply:

To meet Hong Kong's long-term needs, the Government commissioned the Preliminary Feasibility Study on Developing the New Territories North (PFS) in 2014. The prime objective of the PFS is to examine the development potential of the New Territories North, to conduct preliminary technical assessments to ascertain broad feasibility of the identified potential development areas and to recommend the strategic infrastructure needed to support the development. The PFS is still on-going, and the estimated expenditure of the PFS in 2015-16 is \$8 million.

In 2015-16, the CEDD will commission consultants to undertake the following engineering feasibility studies for potential public housing sites. The details of these studies are as follows:

Location of Project	Details of Study	Progress of Study	Anticipated Completion Date of Study and Announcement of the Findings	Estimated Expenditure in 2015-16 (\$ million)
Tuen Mun Central	To explore the feasibility of the proposed housing developments at the site	The study is targeted to commence in the third quarter of 2015	End 2016	3
Long Bin in Yuen Long	To explore the feasibility of the proposed housing developments at the site	The study is targeted to commence in the third quarter of 2015	The second quarter of 2017	2
Tan Kwai Tsuen in Yuen Long	To explore the feasibility of the proposed housing developments at the site	The study is targeted to commence in the third quarter of 2015	The second quarter of 2017	2
Ma On Shan	To explore the feasibility of the proposed housing developments at the site	The study is targeted to commence in the second quarter of 2015	The second quarter of 2016	5

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY**DEVB(PL)282****(Question Serial No. 4330)**

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure

Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development
(F M LUK)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Regarding the provision of land and infrastructure under this programme, please advise this Committee:

- 1) Please provide information in the table below on the formation of land, infrastructure or other works completed each year by the Civil Engineering and Development Department as well as information on each piece of land handed over to other government departments for use during 2012-15 February, including: i) location of land, ii) area of land, iii) expenditure involved in the formation of land, provision of infrastructure and other works, iv) names of government departments to which the land handed over and proposed usage (e.g. public housing, private residential development, commerce, Government, Institution and Community facilities, etc.)

i)	ii)	iii)	iv)

- 2) Please provide information in the table below on the formation of land, infrastructure or other works currently carried out as well as information on each piece of land to be handed over to other government departments for use, including: i) location of land, ii) area of land, iii) estimated expenditure involved in the formation of land, provision of infrastructure and other works, iv) names of government departments to which the land will be handed over and proposed usage upon the completion of works (e.g. public housing, private residential development, commerce, Government, Institution and Community facilities, etc.), and v) anticipated handover dates.

i)	ii)	iii)	iv)	v)

3. Please provide information in the table below on the formation of land, infrastructure or other works to be commenced in the next 12 months as well as information on each piece of land to be handed over to other government departments for use, including: i) location of land, ii) area of land, iii) estimated expenditure involved in the formation of land, provision of infrastructure and other works, iv) names of government departments to which the land will be handed over and proposed usage upon the completion of works (e.g. public housing, private residential development, commerce, Government, Institution and Community facilities, etc.), and v) anticipated handover dates.

i)	ii)	iii)	iv)	v)

Asked by: Hon WU Chi-wai (Member Question No. 83)

Reply:

- 1) CEDD projects involving land formation, infrastructure works or other works for the provision of land that were completed and handed over to other government departments from 2012 up to February 2015 are as follows:

Location of Project	Area of Land Formation	Estimated Cost of Construction Works Project (\$ million)	Main Government Departments Handed Over To ^{Note 1} (Proposed Use)
Tseung Kwan O Further Development -Infrastructure Works at Town Centre South and Tiu Keng Leng, Tseung Kwan O	23 ha	460	Lands Department (LandsD) (Open space, residential/ commercial development, GIC facilities)
Kwai Chung Incineration Plant Demolition and Decontamination Works	1.4 ha	158	LandsD (Land use to be determined)
Tuen Mun Area 54 Site 2	4.2 ha	325	Hong Kong Housing Authority (HA) (Public housing development)
Kai Tak Development - Former north apron	5.8 ha	356 (on-going project)	LandsD (Residential development)

Note 1 : Transport infrastructure formed within the project area was handed over to the Highways Department.

- 2) On-going CEDD projects involving land formation, infrastructure works or other works for the provision of land that will be handed over to other government departments are as follows:

Location of Project	Area of Land Formation	Estimated Cost of Construction Works Project (\$ million)	Main Government Departments Taking Over Completed Works ^{Note 2} (Proposed Use)	Expected Delivery Date
Development at Anderson Road	43.6 ha	3,259	HA (Public housing development)	2015
Wan Chai Development Phase II	12.7 ha	4,643	LandsD (Open Space)	2017
Kai Tak Development - Former north apron and runway	37.3 ha	3,151	LandsD (Residential/commercial development, GIC facilities)	By stages up to 2019
Housing Sites Adjacent to Lung Ping Road at Tai Wo Ping, Shek Kip Mei	4 ha	781	LandsD (Private residential development)	2016
Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point (BCP) Site Formation Works	23 ha	491	Architectural Services Department (BCP buildings)	2015

Note 2 : Transport infrastructure formed within the project area will be handed over to the Highways Department.

- 3) CEDD projects that will commence in the next 12 months involving land formation, infrastructure works or other works for the provision of land that will be handed over to other government departments are as follows:

Location of Project	Area of Land Formation	Estimated Cost of Construction Works Project (\$ million)	Main Government Departments Taking Over Completed Works (Proposed Use)	Expected Delivery Date
Tuen Mun Area 54 Site 1&1A, Site 3/4 (East) and Site 4A (West)	7.4 ha	1,047	HA (Public housing development)	2017
Ha Mei San Tsuen, Tin Shui Wai	2 ha	70	LandsD (Village Expansion Area)	2018

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(PL)283

(Question Serial No. 4331)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified
Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure
Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development
(F M LUK)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Regarding the indicators on area of land formed as mentioned in the programme, please provide by demarcation of the 18 districts information on each project item of the 22.2 hectares completed in 2014 and the 26.3 hectares expected to be completed in 2015-16, including:

- (i) location of land;
- (ii) area of land;
- (iii) estimated expenditure involved in land formation, provision of infrastructure and other works;
- (iv) names of government departments to be handed over the land upon the completion of the works and the proposed usage (such as public housing, private residential development, commerce, Government, Institution and Community facilities, etc.); and
- (v) expected handover dates.

Asked by: Hon WU Chi-wai (Member Question No. 84)

Reply:

The information of land formation in 2014 and 2015 are as follows:

Location of Project (District)	Actual Area of Land Formed in 2014	Estimated Area of Land Formed in 2015	Estimated Cost of Construction Works Project	Main Government Departments Taking Over Completed Works^{Note} (Proposed Use)	Expected date of substantial delivery
Development at Anderson Road (Kwun Tong)	15.3 ha	0.3 ha	\$3,259 million	LandsD (Open space and infrastructures)	2015
Wan Chai Development Phase II (Wan Chai)	4.5 ha	2 ha	\$4,643 million	LandsD (Open space)	2017
Kai Tak Development - Former North Apron and Runway (Kowloon City)	1.3 ha	1 ha	\$3,151 million	LandsD (Commercial development, government institution or community facilities)	2015
Housing Sites Adjacent to Lung Ping Road at Tai Wo Ping, Shek Kip Mei (Sham Shui Po)	1.1 ha	-	\$781 million	LandsD (Private residential development)	2014
Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point (BCP) Site Formation Works (North)	-	23 ha	\$491 million	Architectural Services Department (BCP buildings)	2015
Total	22.2 ha	26.3 ha			

Note : Transport infrastructure will be handed over to the Highways Department.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY**DEVB(PL)284****(Question Serial No. 4332)**

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure

Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development
(F M LUK)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Regarding the commencement of the engineering feasibility studies for potential public housing sites, please advise this Committee the location, area of each piece of land involved in the studies in 2015-16 and anticipated completion dates of the studies.

Asked by: Hon WU Chi-wai (Member Question No. 85)

Reply:

Regarding the engineering feasibility studies for potential public housing sites to commence in 2015-16 as mentioned in the COR, they refer to the following four sites which are funded by Head 711 Subhead B100HX under Transport and Housing Bureau -

Location of Project	Area	Anticipated Completion Date of Study
Tuen Mun Central	11 ha	End 2016
Long Bin in Yuen Long	10 ha	The second quarter of 2017
Tan Kwai Tsuen in Yuen Long	14.2 ha	The second quarter of 2017
Ma On Shan	9.4 ha	The second quarter of 2016

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DEVB(PL)397

(Question Serial No. 4557)

Head: (707) Capital Works Reserve Fund: New Towns and Urban Area Development

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (-) Not Specified

Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

What are the details of the infrastructure works for housing sites adjacent to Lung Ping Road at Tai Wo Ping, Shek Kip Mei? What is the construction programme? What is the expenditure involved?

Asked by: Hon WONG Pik-wan, Helena (Member Question No. 99)

Reply:

According to Rule 49 of the Finance Committee Procedures, special meetings of the Finance Committee are convened to examine the annual Estimates of Expenditure prepared by the Government in support of the Appropriation Bill.

*Expenditure charged to the Capital Works Reserve Fund do **not** form part of the Appropriation Bill. As such, questions relating to expenditure under the Fund are **not** relevant to the examination of the Estimates of Expenditure or the Appropriation Bill.*

The infrastructure project concerned is funded by PWP item no. 7731CL. It serves two housing sites adjacent to Lung Ping Road at Tai Wo Ping, Shek Kip Mei. The project comprises the construction of at-grade roads and bridge structures (of total length about one kilometre) connecting the two housing sites with Lung Cheung Road, as well as associated geotechnical and ancillary works. Construction has commenced in 2013 for completion in 2016. The approved project estimate is \$781.4 million and the expenditure up to mid-March 2015 is about \$224.6 million.

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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)059

(Question Serial No. 0148)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not specified
Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

In Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2015–16 under this programme, the Government has indicated that it will take forward the detailed feasibility study (DFS) for the Environmentally Friendly Linkage System for Kowloon East. Will the Government inform this Committee of the involved operational expenditure, establishment and estimated annual total emolument for the above matters in 2015-16?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Wai-yip, Albert (Member Question No. 23)

Reply:

Operational expenses in 2015-16 under Head 33 for taking forward the DFS for the Environmentally Friendly Linkage System for Kowloon East are mainly personal emoluments of in-house staff working on the project. In 2015-16, a project team comprising one Senior Engineer and one Engineer, with the annual staff cost of about \$2.1 million in terms of notional annual mid-point salary value, will be responsible for taking forward the DFS including the preparation work for engagement of consultant for carrying out the DFS.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)060

(Question Serial No. 0150)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not specified
Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

In Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2015-16 under this programme, the Government has indicated that it will commence the strategic study on artificial islands in the central waters. Will the Government inform this Committee of:

- (1) the estimated operational expenditure involved for the above matters in 2015-16?
- (2) the responsible establishment and the estimated annual total emoluments for the above matters in 2015-16?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Wai-yip, Albert (Member Question No. 25)

Reply:

Operational expenses involved under Head 33 for taking forward the strategic study on artificial islands in the central waters (the Study) are mainly personal emoluments of in-house staff working on the project. The Civil Engineering and Development Department will deploy three in-house professional staff in managing the Study, involving a staff cost of about \$1.8 million in 2015-16.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)061

(Question Serial No. 0151)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not specified
Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

In Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2015-16 under this programme, the Government has indicated that it will continue with the feasibility study on topside development on the Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities Island of the Hong Kong-Zuhai-Macao Bridge. Will the Government inform this Committee of:

- (1) the estimated operational expenditure involved for the above matters in 2015-16?
- (2) the responsible establishment and the estimated annual total emoluments for the above matters in 2015-16?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Wai-yip, Albert (Member Question No. 26)

Reply:

Operational expenditure involved in the study is mainly personal emoluments of in-house staff. In the Civil Engineering and Development Department, there are mainly 4 in-house professional staff involved in managing the study. The estimated overall personal emoluments of these staff in 2015-16 are about \$3.9 million. In addition, there are officers at senior management levels overseeing this study among other projects, as well as technical and clerical staff involved in providing support to the study. There is no separate breakdown for the personal emoluments of such staff involved.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)062

(Question Serial No. 3217)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): Not specified

Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure

Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

During 2015-2016, the number of land formation and infrastructure projects under planning, design and construction will be 196. Please list out in details for each case the location, development details, number of staff employed (including the imported foreign workers) and completion date.

Asked by: Hon HO Sau-lan, Cyd (Member Question No. 67)

Reply:

Out of the 196 numbers of land formation and infrastructure projects under planning, design and construction in 2015, there are 57 projects with works either in progress or to commence in 2015-16 subject to funding approval. The details of these projects are shown in the following table. A total of 38 imported foreign workers have recently been approved for PWP No. 677CL "Wan Chai Development phase 2 — engineering works" but have not yet been employed pending completion of the recruitment procedures.

No.	PWP No.	Project Title	Location	Project Development Status	Approximate No. of Jobs Created	Target Completion Date
1	354CL	West Kowloon Reclamation — consultants' fees and site investigation	West Kowloon	Design	9	Dec 2020
2	019GB	Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point and associated works — site formation and infrastructure works	North & Tai Po	Construction	2 864	Dec 2018 (Subject to approval of the Finance Committee to increase the

No.	PWP No.	Project Title	Location	Project Development Status	Approximate No. of Jobs Created	Target Completion Date
						Approved Project Estimate)
3	168CD	Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point and associated works - regulation of Shenzhen River stage IV	North	Construction	155	Sep 2017
4	258RS	Development of a bathing beach at Lung Mei, Tai Po	Tai Po	Construction (Suspended)	To be determined	To be determined
5	750CL	Study on long-term strategy for cavern development	Territory-wide	Study	14	Oct 2015
6	751CL*	Planning and engineering study on Sunny Bay reclamation	Islands	Study	To be determined	Under review
7	762CL	Site formation and associated infrastructural works for development of columbarium, crematorium and related facilities at Sandy Ridge Cemetery - detailed design and site investigation	North	Design	27	Sep 2016
8	767CL*	Planning and engineering study on reclamation at Lung Kwu Tan	Tuen Mun	Study	To be determined	Under review
9	768CL*	Strategic Studies for Artificial Islands in the Central Waters	Islands	Study	To be determined	Under review
10	769CL*	Pilot Study on Underground Space Development in Selected Strategic Urban Areas	Territory-wide	Study	To be determined	end 2017
11	065TR*	Detailed Feasibility Study for Environmentally Friendly Linkage System for Kowloon East	Kowloon East	Study	To be determined	mid 2017
12	160TB	Footbridge across Po Yap Road linking Tseung Kwan O Area 55 and Area 65	Tseung Kwan O	Construction	92	Jun 2016
13	167CD	Kai Tak development - Reconstruction and Upgrading of Kai Tak Nullah	Kai Tak area	Construction	465	Apr 2018
14	181TB	Kwun Tong Town Centre redevelopment - provision of grade-separated pedestrian linkages (Yuet Wah Street pedestrian linkage)	Kwun Tong	Construction	68	Oct 2015

No.	PWP No.	Project Title	Location	Project Development Status	Approximate No. of Jobs Created	Target Completion Date
15	213CL*	Engineering works for Ha Mei San Tsuen village expansion area	Yuen Long	Design	To be determined	early 2018
16	259RS*	Cycle tracks connecting North West New Territories with North East New Territories - Tuen Mun to Sheung Shui section (Remaining)	Tuen Mun, Yuen Long and North	Design	To be determined	end 2019
17	276RS	Cycle track between Tsuen Wan and Tuen Mun — detailed design and site investigation (advance and stage 1 works)	Tsuen Wan and Tuen Mun	Design	6	Dec 2016
18	279RS	Cycle tracks connecting North West New Territories with North East New Territories - Tuen Mun to Sheung Shui section (Stage 1)	Tuen Mun, Yuen Long and North	Construction	100	Dec 2016
19	394CL	Sha Tin New Town, stage II — servicing and extension of Pai Tau Village in Area 6A	Sha Tin	Design	To be determined	Under review
20	448RO	Improvement Works at Mui Wo, Phase 1	Islands	Construction	115	Sep 2016
21	458CL	Sha Tin New Town, stage 2 — construction of Road T3	Sha Tin	Construction	757	mid 2015
22	570CL*	Ground decontamination works at the site of Ex-Kennedy Town incineration plant/abattoir and adjoining area	Western	Design	To be determined	end 2022
23	663CL	Site investigation works and consultants' fees for remaining engineering infrastructure works for Pak Shek Kok development	Tai Po	Design	18	Mar 2017
24	677CL	Wan Chai Development phase 2 — engineering works	Wan Chai	Construction	2260	Jun 2017
25	686CL	Consultants' fees and site investigation for site formation, roads and drains in Area 54, Tuen Mun—phase 2	Tuen Mun	Design	30	Dec 2016
26	694CL	South East Kowloon development at Kai Tak Airport — consultants' fees	Kai Tak area	Design	115	Dec 2017

No.	PWP No.	Project Title	Location	Project Development Status	Approximate No. of Jobs Created	Target Completion Date
		and site investigation				
27	696CL	Wan Chai development phase 2 — engineering works: consultants' fees and site investigation	Wan Chai	Construction	104	Jun 2017
28	711CL*	Kai Tak development - infrastructure works for developments at the southern part of the former runway	Kai Tak area	Design	To be determined	end 2019
29	712CL	Planning and engineering study on the remaining development in Tung Chung	Islands	Study	22	Sep 2015
30	724CL	Kai Tak development — investigation and detailed design for advance infrastructure works for developments at the southern part of the former runway	Kai Tak area	Design	90	Dec 2015
31	728CL	Preservation of Queen's Pier	Central	Design	68	Apr 2018
32	731CL	Infrastructure works for housing sites adjacent to Lung Ping Road at Tai Wo Ping, Shek Kip Mei	Sham Shui Po	Construction	259	Dec 2016
33	733CL	Hung Shui Kiu New Development Area Planning and Engineering Study	Yuen Long	Study	40	Jun 2016
34	738CL	Kai Tak development — detailed design and site investigation for Kai Tak approach channel and Kwun Tong typhoon shelter improvement works	Kai Tak area	Design	47	Dec 2016
35	740CL	Kai Tak development — detailed design and site investigation for remaining infrastructure works for developments at the former runway	Kai Tak area	Design	18	Dec 2017
36	744CL	Formation, roads and drains in Area 54, Tuen Mun — phase 2 stage 1 works	Tuen Mun	Construction	170	end 2015
37	746CL	Kai Tak development — stage 2 infrastructure at north apron area of Kai Tak Airport	Kai Tak area	Construction	170	Oct 2015

No.	PWP No.	Project Title	Location	Project Development Status	Approximate No. of Jobs Created	Target Completion Date
38	752CL	Planning and engineering study for housing sites in Yuen Long south - consultants' fees and site investigation	Yuen Long	Study	27	Dec 2016
39	753CL	Infrastructure Works for West Kowloon Cultural District Phase 1 - Design and Site Investigation	West Kowloon	Design	41	Dec 2017
40	755CL	Formation, roads and drains in Area 54, Tuen Mun — phase 2 stage 2 works	Tuen Mun	Construction	85	Mar 2016
41	756CL*	Ma On Shan Development — Roads, drainage and sewerage works at Whitehead and Lok Wo Sha, phase 2	Ma On Shan	Design	To be determined	end 2017
42	761CL	Kai Tak development - stages 3A and 4 infrastructure works at north apron area of Kai Tai Airport	Kai Tak area	Construction	785	Jun 2017
43	770CL	Planning, engineering and architectural study for topside development at Hong Kong boundary crossing facilities island of Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge	Islands	Study	37	Feb 2017
44	772CL	Advance site formation and engineering infrastructure works at Kwu Tung North new development area and Fanling North new development area - detailed design and site investigation	North	Design	73	Mar 2021
45	774CL	Development of Anderson Road Quarry site - detailed design and site investigations	Sai Kung	Design	76	Jun 2018
46	788CL*	Formation, roads and drains in Area 54, Tuen Mun - phase 1 stage 1 works	Tuen Mun	Design	To be determined	end 2019
47	789CL*	Formation, roads and drains in Area 54, Tuen Mun - phase 2 stages 3 & 4A works	Tuen Mun	Design	To be determined	end 2019

No.	PWP No.	Project Title	Location	Project Development Status	Approximate No. of Jobs Created	Target Completion Date
48	790CL*	Infrastructure Works for West Kowloon Cultural District, phase 1 - construction (package one)	West Kowloon	Design	To be determined	end 2018
49	791CL*	Integrated Basement for West Kowloon Cultural District - design, site investigation and advance works	West Kowloon	Design	To be determined	end 2019
50	841TH	Trunk Road T2 – investigation and design	Kwun Tong	Design	67	end 2017
51	842TH	Tsuen Wan Bypass, widening of Tsuen Wan Road between Tsuen Tsing Interchange and Kwai Tsing Interchange and associated junction improvement works – detailed design	Tsuen Wan	Design	42	Under Review
52	862TH	Tseung Kwan O — Lam Tin Tunnel - detailed design and site investigation	Tseung Kwan O, Kwun Tong	Design	73	Dec 2016
53	865TH	Cross Bay Link, Tseung Kwan O - detailed design and site investigation	Tseung Kwan O	Design	41	end 2016
54	869TH*	Widening of Tai Po Road (Sha Tin Section) - detailed design and site investigation	Sha Tin	Design	To be determined	end 2017
55	566CL	Development at Anderson Road	Kwun Tong	Construction	1135	May 2016
56	742CL	Main engineering infrastructure in association with the proposed developments in Area 56, Tung Chung	Islands	Construction	58	Feb 2016
57	757CL*	Roads and drains in Area 16 and Area 58D, Sha Tin	Sha Tin	Design	To be determined	mid 2018

*Remark: *Projects planned to commence in 2015-16.*

For the remaining 139 projects, 61 of them are in early planning or design stage and firm details of these projects are not yet available. The other 78 projects have been substantially completed and are currently at the finalisation stage.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)063

(Question Serial No. 1799)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): Not Specified

Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure

Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Regarding the Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2015–16, it is mentioned that the construction works will be continued for the cycle track network between Tuen Mun and Sheung Shui, and the investigation and design will be continued for several sections of the comprehensive cycle track network in the New Territories.

In fact, in 2008, the HKSAR Government put forward a proposal to construct a “super cycle track” of over 100 km long. It was then expected to be completed progressively from mid-2012 onwards. However, there is delay in several items of works at present. The Sheung Shui to Tuen Mun section cannot catch up with the schedule to be completed in July 2013 and the works are still in progress. Regarding the Sheung Shui to Tuen Mun section, does the Government have any timetable of completion? Are there target completion dates for the works of other branching off sections?

Asked by: Hon IP Kwok-him (Member Question No. 6)

Reply:

To enable early enjoyment by the public, we have been implementing the cycle track network in phases. The new cycle track section from Fanling to Tai Po was open to public in March 2014 and cycle entry / exit hubs at Sheung Shui and Sha Tin were also open for public use in December 2014. Construction of Stage 1 works of the Sheung Shui to Tuen Mun section commenced in November 2013 for completion in end 2016. Subject to funding approval by the Finance Committee, the construction of the remaining works of the Sheung Shui to Tuen Mun section is planned to commence in late 2015 for completion in end 2019. The implementation programme of the Tsuen Wan to Tuen Mun section and the branching-off sections are under review.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)064

(Question Serial No. 0271)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not specified
Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

For the planning and engineering study for nearshore reclamation at Lung Kwu Tan to be commenced next year, what are the relevant expenditure and the anticipated time for its completion?

Asked by: Hon LAU Wong-fat (Member Question No. 13)

Reply:

The planning and engineering (P&E) study for nearshore reclamation at Lung Kwu Tan is estimated at about \$78 million.

The Civil Engineering and Development Department will carry out a technical study first to determine the engineering feasibility of the Lung Kwu Tan reclamation and hence the scope and programme of the subsequent P&E study.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)065

(Question Serial No. 1065)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): Not specified

Programme: Not specified

Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

The 2015-16 establishment ceiling of non-directorate posts rises from 1 764 as at 31 March 2015 to 1 779 as at 31 March 2016, representing an increase of 15 posts. Please advise:

1. what the new posts and the annual expenditure for the increase in establishment are; and
2. what the current total establishment and the annual expenditure are.

Asked by: Hon LO Wai-kwok (Member Question Number: 3)

Reply:

1. In 2015-16, discounting 5 time-limited posts that will lapse, 15 non-directorate new posts will be created including 3 Senior Engineers, 7 Engineers/Assistant Engineers, 1 Senior Technical Officer (Civil), 2 Technical Officers/Technical Officer Trainees (Civil), 1 Executive Officer I and 1 Motor Driver. The annual staff cost for the net increase of the 15 posts is \$10.2 million in terms of notional annual mid-point salary value.
2. The non-directorate establishment of the Civil Engineering and Development Department as at 31 March 2015 is 1 764 and the relevant annual staff cost is \$829.9 million in terms of notional annual mid-point salary value.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)066

(Question Serial No. 1066)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not specified
Programme: (4) Slope Safety and Geotechnical Standards
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

- (1) What is the number of existing man-made slopes and natural hillside, and has the Government assessed how many of them have potential hazards? What are the Government's plans to handle these hazardous slopes and hillsides and how much time will be required?
- (2) During the past three years, what is the number of landslide accidents happened on the government's natural hillsides, man-made slopes and retaining walls, and what is the number of casualties involved?
- (3) During the past three years, what is the number of landslide accidents happened on the private natural hillsides, man-made slopes and retaining walls, and what is the number of casualties involved?
- (4) Has the government planned to strengthen the inspection and other related measures for the government and private slopes before the arrival of the wet season? What are the estimated input of manpower and expenditures?
- (5) Regarding the raising of public awareness on landslide risk arising from natural hillside and man-made slopes, what are the specific implementation details of the current public education campaign and what are the input of expenditures and manpower?

Asked by: Hon LO Wai-kwok (Member Question No. 4)

Reply:

(1) There are about 60 000 man-made slopes in Hong Kong. After more than 30 years of sustained effort in uplifting slope safety, the high-risk substandard man-made slopes affecting buildings and major roads have largely been dealt with. Landslide risk in Hong Kong has significantly been reduced, as reflected by the reducing landslide fatality trend in recent years. In order to maintain a reasonably low level of landslide risk that is

commensurate with the international best practice in risk management, about 150 government man-made slopes which are at a more advanced state of deterioration will be upgraded each year under the Landslip Prevention and Mitigation Programme (LPMitP) administered by the Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD). In addition, safety screening will be carried out on 100 private man-made slopes. Natural hillside covers about 60% of the area of Hong Kong. Each year, landslide risk mitigation works will be implemented to 30 hillside catchments with potential hazards according to their priority under the LPMitP.

(2) & (3) Over the past three years, the number of reported landslides occurred on natural hillside, and registered government and private man-made slopes and retaining walls are as follows:

Year	Number of reported landslides on natural hillside and registered government man-made slopes and retaining walls	Number of reported landslides on registered private man-made slopes and retaining walls
2012	106	13
2013	163	13
2014	169	9

Whilst we do not have record of the number of injuries arising from the reported landslides, there was no landslide involving fatality in the past three years.

(4) The government slope maintenance departments (SMDs) carry out periodic maintenance inspections to every government man-made slope and undertake the necessary maintenance works accordingly. Before the wet season each year, SMDs will take precautionary actions against heavy rainfall. The SMDs will complete the maintenance inspection and maintenance works before the onset of the wet season as far as possible. The expenditure on maintenance of government slopes in 2014-15 is about \$900 million. A total of about 250 staff is deployed for various slope-related activities by the key SMDs. There is no breakdown of the resources deployed for slope maintenance before the wet season. Inspection and maintenance of private slopes are the responsibility of their owners. CEDD has an on-going year round public education programme to remind private owners of the importance of slope inspection and maintenance. Public education will be stepped up prior to the onset of the wet season, e.g. pre-wet season media briefings, reminder-letters to private slope owners, exhibitions and special arrangements for broadcasting the relevant TV and Radio Announcement of Public Interests (API).

(5) The current public education activities to raise the public awareness on landslide risk arising from natural hillside and man-made slopes include:

- Television and Radio API;
- Roving exhibitions and slope safety seminars;
- Proactive media briefings;
- Talks and exhibitions in schools and special activities for school students;
- Promulgation of slope safety information on HK Slope Safety Website;

- Hotline for slope safety enquiries.

The expenditure in 2014-15 for the public education activities is about \$2 million. The public education team consists of one Senior Geotechnical Engineer and two Geotechnical Engineers with the assistance of technical staff.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)067

(Question Serial No. 2740)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not Specified
Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Regarding the Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2015–16, it is mentioned that the preliminary integrated development study in association with relocation of Sai Kung Sewage Treatment Works be continued. Please list out the detailed information on the expenditure involved, progress of the study, preliminary development plan, etc.

Asked by: Hon QUAT Elizabeth (Member Question No. 69)

Reply:

The Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) commenced the study on “Preliminary integrated development study on reclamation in association with relocation of Sai Kung Sewage Treatment Works” in November 2014 for completion in February 2016. The consultants’ fees are estimated at \$14.1 million. The CEDD plans to formulate the draft initial conceptual development proposal in the third quarter of 2015.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)068

(Question Serial No. 2742)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): Not specified

Programme: (5) Greening and Technical Services

Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Regarding the expenditure on greening works implemented under the greening master plans (GMPs) in 2014-15, the actual expenditure in 2014 was \$9.5 million, whereas the estimated amount in 2015 is as high as \$36.5 million. Please list out the detailed information and expenditure involved in various greening works implemented under the GMPs.

Asked by: Hon Elizabeth QUAT (Member Question No. 71)

Reply:

The increase in expenditure in 2015 is mainly due to the commencement of two works contracts for the priority greening works recommended in the GMPs of Sha Tin, Sai Kung, Tuen Mun and Yuen Long in December 2014 as shown in the table below-

GMPs	Current Status	Expenditure (\$ million)	
		2014	2015
GMPs in urban districts (covering all districts)	Greening works were completed and the project is in finalisation stage	8.9	4.5
GMPs in New Territories (covering Sha Tin, Sai Kung, Tuen Mun and Yuen Long)	Greening works commenced in December 2014	0.6	32.0
Total		9.5	36.5

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)069

(Question Serial No. 1946)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): Not specified

Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure

Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

The Government has indicated that it will conduct a cumulative environmental impact assessment for three potential reclamation sites at Sunny Bay, Lung Kwu Tan and Siu Ho Wan. What are the details of the assessment and the expenditure involved? What is the time anticipated by the Government for the release of the assessment result?

Asked by: Hon TO Kun-sun, James (Member Question No. 51)

Reply:

The cumulative environmental impact assessment (CEIA) study on the three potential reclamation sites at Sunny Bay, Lung Kwu Tan and Siu Ho Wan in the western waters commenced in mid-2013 and has been substantially completed recently. The CEIA study aims at assessing the total effects of the reclamation at these sites on air quality, water quality, ecology and fisheries, taking into consideration ongoing and planned projects in the vicinity. The consultancy fee for the study is about \$8 million. The findings of the CEIA were presented to the Advisory Council on the Environment on 9 March 2015 and are available on the website of the Civil Engineering and Development Department (see hyperlink below).

<http://www.cedd.gov.hk/eng/landsupply/index.html>

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)070

(Question Serial No. 1948)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): Not specified

Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure

Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Regarding the boundary control point (BCP) at Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai, as the funding was not approved in the Legislative Council (LegCo), what will be the related work in 2015-16? What is the expenditure involved? Will the increase of retail area in the related project be considered? If yes, what are the details? If no, what are the reasons?

Asked by: Hon TO Kun-sun, James (Member Question No. 53)

Reply:

Regarding the project under Head 705 Sub-head 5019GB - Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point (LT/HYW BCP) and associated works - site formation and infrastructure works, in 2015-16, we are continuing the construction works of the three on-going contracts and will endeavour to seek the Legislative Council's approval for increasing the Approved Project Estimate as soon as possible so as to complete the project. The forecast expenditure for the project 5019GB in 2015-16 is estimated to be \$2,354.776 million.

The LT/HYW BCP is primarily designed to provide immigration and customs clearance for cross-boundary passengers and vehicles. As the site is almost fully utilized for providing the BCP buildings, associated facilities and road infrastructure, there is no available space for a large-scale shopping centre. Notwithstanding, we have allowed a total floor area of about 1 000 m² in the BCP building for automatic teller machines, convenience stores and duty free shops, etc.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)071

(Question Serial No. 1949)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not specified
Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Regarding the works of artificial islands in the central waters, as the funding was not approved in the Legislative Council (LegCo), what will be the related work in 2015-16? What is the expenditure involved? Will any restriction be made on the Lantau Development Plan formulated in 2007? If yes, what are the details? If no, what are the reasons?

Asked by: Hon TO Kun-sun, James (Member Question No. 54)

Reply:

The item on strategic studies for artificial islands in the central waters (the Study) was withdrawn at the Public Works Subcommittee meeting on 26 November 2014 to avoid affecting other urgent works items. We will re-submit the study item to the Legislative Council in a timely manner for consideration. Subject to funding approval of the Finance Committee being obtained in the current legislative session, the forecast expenditure in 2015-16 for the consultants' fees and associated site investigation works of the Study is about \$19 million.

The Study will take into consideration the 2007 Revised Concept Plan for Lantau and the latest development afterward as well as the proposals of the Lantau Development Advisory Committee.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)072

(Question Serial No. 1726)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): Not specified

Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure

Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Opposite to the Kwun Tong Promenade and adjacent to the Kai Tak Cruise Terminal (KTCT), the huge Kai Tak Runway Park (KTRP) has few visitors due to its inconvenient location and inaccessibility. In the new financial year, will the Bureau study the extension of the proposed subway linking the Kwun Tong Promenade and the Ngau Tau Kok MTR station, and the provision of a temporary suspension footbridge or cross-harbour tunnel to connect with KTRP on the opposite side so as to enhance its accessibility and to facilitate pedestrian flow between Kwun Tong and KTCT, thereby "revitalising" the newly completed KTCT which is described as "Siberia in Kowloon East" with seriously inadequate transport facilities?

If yes, what is the estimated expenditure required for the study? If not, what is the reason?

Asked by: Hon TSE Wai-chun, Paul (Member Question No. 27)

Reply:

The KTCT and the KTRP Phase 1 at the former runway tip are two major projects in the first package of Kai Tak Development (KTD). In planning the KTD and in a wider context, energizing Kowloon East (KE), the Government has been spearheading various infrastructures and measures to enhance their connectivity.

The Energizing Kowloon East Office (EKEO) of the Development Bureau advocates the sustainability concept of "walkability" in enhancing the pedestrian connectivity and environment, and develops the concept of "walkable" KE comprehensively in the Kowloon Bay and Kwun Tong Business Areas through various measures. EKEO is conducting a preliminary feasibility study to explore, amongst others, the opportunity for providing a walkway system including grade-separated and at grade options from the Ngau Tau Kok MTR Station to Hoi Bun Road Park leading to the Kwun Tong promenade. The approved

project estimate of a Category D item covering the preliminary feasibility study is \$11 million in money-of-the-day prices.

Subject to funding approval of the Finance Committee, CEDD will carry out a detailed feasibility study (DFS) on the proposed Environmentally Friendly Linkage System for KE. This DFS will cover examining the feasibility of a proposed direct transport and pedestrian link (the proposed Link) between the Kwun Tong waterfront and the former runway tip adjacent to the KTCT. Spanning across the Kwun Tong Typhoon Shelter, the proposed Link will be subject to the Protection of the Harbour Ordinance and will have impact on the use of the Kwun Tong Typhoon Shelter, therefore requiring a detailed study to formulate the way forward. The use of temporary structures will not have any programming advantage over the proposed Link. The estimated project cost for conducting the DFS is about \$92 million in money-of-the-day prices.

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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)073

(Question Serial No. 0442)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): Not specified

Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure

Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

In Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2014-15, regarding the completion of the public consultation on the Environmentally Friendly Linkage System (EFLS) for Kowloon East to facilitate commencement of the detailed feasibility study (DFS), please provide the following information:

1. When does the Department envisage submitting the funding application for the next stage of DFS to the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council for approval, and what is the expected duration to complete the relevant study;
2. Upon completion of the Stage 2 public consultation on the EFLS, the consultancy firm recommended the adoption of elevated monorail for implementation. However, the Department has indicated that the next stage of feasibility study will include a topical study on other green transport modes. Will the Department re-consider the transport mode(s) of the relevant System for implementation;
3. There are local views suggesting that the connectivity with the old districts in Kowloon East be enhanced by the relevant System. Will the Department consider enhancing the connectivity with the districts concerned?

Asked by: Hon WONG Kwok-kin (Member Question No. 23)

Reply:

1. We plan to seek funding approval from the Finance Committee (FC) in the 2014-15 Legislative Council session after consultation with the Public Works Subcommittee. Subject to the funding approval of the FC, the proposed DFS will take about 2 years for completion.

2. Upon conclusion of the Stage 2 public consultation exercise for the EFLS, general consensus was reached on the need to conduct the proposed DFS as the next stage of work before deciding on the way forward. In line with the views received during subsequent consultations with the Panel on Development, the proposed DFS will include in-depth evaluation of various feasible green public transport modes to facilitate selection of the most suitable and cost-effective solution for the EFLS for Kowloon East.

3. The proposed DFS will examine the alignment and network coverage as well as explore flexibility in system design for possible long-term expansion of the EFLS and formulate a well-planned integrated multi-modal linkage system, comprising Mass Transit Railway, EFLS, road-based transport and improved pedestrian facilities, to enhance connectivity of Kowloon East and the adjoining old districts.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY**DEVB(W)074****(Question Serial No. 2612)**

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): Not Specified

Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure

Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Regarding “continue the implementation of KTD, covering the design and construction of engineering infrastructure and the initiatives on public creatives, to facilitate a staged development programme”, what is the progress of various projects (including the road works) at present?

Asked by: Hon WU Chi-wai (Member Question No. 7)

Reply:

Kai Tak Development (KTD) projects are being implemented in phases with reference to their priorities and readiness to proceed. The progress of major construction projects related to KTD is as follows:

(A) Major construction projects substantially completed by March 2015 include -

PWP Item	Project Title
172BF	Construction of fire station-cum-ambulance facility at Cheung Yip Street, Kowloon Bay
443RO	Runway Park at Kai Tak, Kowloon City District - Phase 1
439RO	Kwun Tong promenade (stage 2)
7GA	Cruise terminal building and ancillary facilities for the Kai Tak cruise terminal development
736CL	Site formation for Kai Tak cruise terminal development
739CL	Kai Tak development - stage 1 infrastructure works at north apron area of Kai Tak Airport

PWP Item	Project Title
741CL	Kai Tak development - stage 1 advance infrastructure works for developments at the southern part of the former runway
745CL	Kai Tak development - Kai Tak approach channel and Kwun Tong typhoon shelter improvement works (Phase 1)
749CL	Kai Tak development - reprovisioning of radar on top of the cruise terminal building
45CG (part)	District Cooling System at the Kai Tak Development - Phases I & II

(B) Major construction projects currently in progress include -

PWP Item	Project Title
109KA	Construction of Trade and Industry Tower in Kai Tak Development Area
167CD	Kai Tak development - reconstruction and upgrading of Kai Tak Nullah
349EP	A 30-classroom primary school at Site 1A-3, Kai Tak Development, Kowloon
350EP	A 30-classroom primary school at Site 1A-4, Kai Tak Development, Kowloon
746CL	Kai Tak development - stage 2 infrastructure at north apron area of Kai Tak Airport
761CL	Kai Tak Development - stages 3A and 4 infrastructure at north apron area of Kai Tak Airport
76MM	Hong Kong Children's Hospital (formerly known as Establishment of the Centre of Excellence in Paediatrics)
61TR (part)	Shatin to Central Link—construction of railway works - remaining works
45CG (part)	District Cooling System at the Kai Tak Development - Phase III (Package A)

The remaining major projects related to KTD including the Multi-purpose Sports Complex, Environmentally Friendly Linkage System, Kowloon East Regional Headquarters and Operational Base cum Ngau Tau Kok Divisional Police Station, etc. are under active planning and design.

For the initiatives on Public Creatives in KTD, we have completed a study which aimed at achieving an overall visual identity and branding for the new development area. Some of the design concepts recommended in the study have already been incorporated into the various infrastructure projects mentioned above. A promotion exercise was also launched in March 2014 to promulgate the design ideas and applications. We are now in the process of formulating a set of design guidelines by late 2015 to facilitate the integration of Public Creatives design elements into public facilities and street furniture items to be provided

within KTD.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)075

(Question Serial No. 1341)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not specified
Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

In Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2015-16, the Administration will take forward the detailed feasibility study (DFS) for the Environmentally Friendly Linkage System (EFLS) for Kowloon East, please advise:

1. How much estimated expenditure and manpower are reserved for this task?
2. What is the implementation schedule of the Study? What is the scope of the Study?

Asked by: Hon Yiu Si-wing (Member Question No. 15)

Reply:

1. Subject to funding approval by the Finance Committee, the DFS for the EFLS is scheduled to commence in mid-2015. The estimated expenditure in 2015-16 will be about \$21 million. In 2015-16, the responsible project team consists mainly of one Senior Engineer and one Engineer.
2. If the study commences in mid-2015, it will be completed in mid-2017. The main scope of the study is given below:
 - (a) evaluation of the most suitable transport mode for EFLS and formulation of a well-planned integrated multi-modal linkage system, comprising Mass Transit Railway, EFLS, green road-based transport and improved pedestrian facilities to enhance the connectivity of Kowloon East;
 - (b) examination of financial viability, environmental acceptability as well as technical feasibility for EFLS covering alignment, system design and implementation programme; and

- (c) examination of the impact of the proposed Kwun Tong Transportation Link, which will link up Kwun Tong with the former runway tip, on the use of the water body at the Kwun Tong Typhoon Shelter and Kai Tak Approach Channel and formulate mitigation measures.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)076

(Question Serial No. 3036)

Head: (705) Capital Works Reserve Fund: Civil Engineering
Subhead (No. & title): Not specified
Programme: Not Specified
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Regarding the greening master plan (GMP) of West Kowloon, what are the relevant details? What is the timetable of works? What is the expenditure involved?

Asked by: Hon Wong Pik-wan, Helena (Member Question No. 20)

Reply:

According to Rule 49 of the Finance Committee Procedures, special meetings of the Finance Committee are convened to examine the annual Estimates of Expenditure prepared by the Government in support of the Appropriation Bill.

*Expenditure charged to the Capital Works Reserve Fund do **not** form part of the Appropriation Bill. As such, questions relating to expenditure under the Fund are **not** relevant to the examination of the Estimates of Expenditure or the Appropriation Bill.*

The greening works in West Kowloon (Tsim Sha Tsui, Yau Ma Tei, Mong Kok and Sham Shui Po) under the urban Greening Master Plan were completed in June 2011. The works included planting, establishment, associated landscape hardworks viz. planters, irrigation facilities and associated pavement works. The total expenditure of the greening works in West Kowloon was about \$123 million.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)077

(Question Serial No. 3282)

Head: (707) Capital Works Reserve Fund – New Towns and Urban Area Development

Subhead (No. & title): Not Specified

Programme: Not Specified

Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

What is the progress of Subhead 7276RS “Cycle track between Tsuen Wan and Tuen Mun — detailed design and site investigation (advance and stage 1 works)”? On which areas will the expenditure for 2015-16 be spent? Can the whole project be finished by the expected completion date as stated in the Approved Estimate?

Asked by: Hon FAN Kwok-wai, Gary (Member Question No. 45)

Reply:

According to Rule 49 of the Finance Committee Procedures, special meetings of the Finance Committee are convened to examine the annual Estimates of Expenditure prepared by the Government in support of the Appropriation Bill.

*Expenditure charged to the Capital Works Reserve Fund do **not** form part of the Appropriation Bill. As such, questions relating to expenditure under the Fund are **not** relevant to the examination of the Estimates of Expenditure or the Appropriation Bill.*

Advance works of the cycle track (section from Tsing Tsuen Bridge to Bayview Garden of Tsuen Wan) is under detailed design. The alignment of stage 1 works (section from Bayview Garden of Tsuen Wan to Ting Kau) is under review. The expenditure in 2015-16 will be spent on consultants' fees for detailed design and alignment review. The construction programme of the whole project is being examined.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)207

(Question Serial No. 6020)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not specified
Programme: (4) Slope Safety and Geotechnical Standards
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

- (1) What is the number of slopes, retaining walls and natural hillside respectively maintained by the Government departments? On district basis, what is the number of slopes, retaining walls and natural hillside respectively pending stabilisation works? Are there any warning signs of "KEEP CLEAR" erected at places near those works to remind the public keeping alert of their safety?
- (2) In the next financial year, what are the estimated expenditures on the maintenance of slopes, retaining walls and natural hillside owned by the Government?
- (3) On district basis, please list the number of trees felled and trees planted for compensation during the slope maintenance works carried out by the government in the previous financial year and the associated expenditures.

Asked by: Hon CHAN Ka-lok, Kenneth (Member Question No. 346)

Reply:

- (1) The numbers of registered slopes and retaining walls maintained by the Government and the number of natural hillsides with known hazards and close to existing buildings and important transport corridors are shown in the Table 1.

Table 1

Slopes	Retaining Walls	Natural Hillsides
37 000	5 000	2 800

The numbers of registered government slopes, retaining walls and natural hillsides included in current / scheduled works contracts under the Landslip Prevention and Mitigation Programme (LPMitP) for implementation of the landslip prevention and mitigation works, are shown in Table 2 and Table 3 respectively. Warning signboards have been erected adjacent to those substandard features subject to landslip prevention and mitigation works to remind the public of the landslide risk.

Table 2

Government Man-made Slopes and Retaining Walls included in Current/Scheduled Works Contracts under the LPMitP		
District	Number	Target Completion Date
Central & Western	16	2015-16
	2	2016-17
Eastern	7	2015-16
	3	2016-17
Islands	12	2015-16
	8	2016-17
	5	2017-18
Kowloon City	2	2015-16
Kwai Tsing	6	2015-16
Kwun Tong	2	2015-16
	2	2017-18
North	7	2015-16
	1	2016-17
Sai Kung	11	2015-16
	3	2016-17
	1	2017-18
Sha Tin	21	2015-16
	1	2016-17
Sham Shui Po	1	2015-16
Southern	38	2015-16
	4	2016-17
Tai Po	8	2015-16
	1	2016-17
Tsuen Wan	5	2015-16
Tuen Mun	12	2015-16
Wan Chai	5	2015-16
	4	2016-17
Wong Tai Sin	1	2015-16
Yau Tsim Mong	2	2015-16
Yuen Long	3	2015-16
Total	194	

Table 3

Natural Hillside included in Current/Scheduled Works Contracts under the LPMitP		
District	Number	Target Completion Date
Central & Western	6	2015-16
	6	2016-17
Eastern	0	-
Islands	23	2015-16
	6	2016-17
	24	2017-18
Kowloon City	0	-
Kwai Tsing	0	-
Kwun Tong	0	-
North	6	2015-16
	8	2016-17
Sai Kung	4	2015-16
Sha Tin	1	2015-16
Sham Shui Po	0	-
Southern	11	2015-16
	14	2016-17
Tai Po	4	2015-16
Tsuen Wan	20	2015-16
Tuen Mun	7	2015-16
Wan Chai	5	2015-16
Wong Tai Sin	2	2016-17
Yau Tsim Mong	0	-
Yuen Long	0	-
Total	147	

(2) In 2015-16, the forecast expenditure for maintenance of government slopes and retaining walls and mitigation measures for natural hillsides is about \$900 million.

(3) Routine slope maintenance works comprising mainly clearance of debris from drainage channels and repair of cracked surface covers to upkeep man-made slopes in good condition are carried out by the respective slope maintenance departments. According to the information provided by them, no tree felling was required during the implementation of routine slope maintenance works in 2014-15.

The Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) also carries out landslip prevention works for man-made slopes and mitigation works for natural hillsides under the LPMitP. The numbers of trees felled and new trees planted in connection with these works under the LPMitP in 2014-15 are shown in Table 4. As tree felling and planting is part of

the landslip prevention and mitigation works, we do not have separate breakdown for the expenditures for tree felling and planting.

Table 4

Financial year	District	Number of trees felled^{Note}	Number of new trees planted
2014-15 (up to end of February 2015)	Hong Kong Island	111	1 313
	Kowloon	7	0
	New Territories	235	1 500
	Outlying Islands	37	0
Total		390	2 813

Note: These trees were felled due to poor health condition or to facilitate landslip prevention and mitigation works. None of the trees felled are old and valuable trees.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)208

(Question Serial No. 6021)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not Specified
Programme: (4) Slope Safety and Geotechnical Standards
Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development (F M LUK)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

- (1) In the past financial year, what was the quantity of slope improvements works completed by various District Council Areas by means of shotcrete, soil nail or other methods respectively? What was the average expenditure of each type of works?
- (2) How many slopes without immediate danger underwent improvement works by way of shotcrete last year? Of these slopes, how many slopes were provided with appearance mitigation measures (e.g. colour shotcrete, greening, etc.) following the completion of upgrading works? Please provide the relevant data and detailed expenditures by types of mitigation measures.
- (3) During the past year, did the Government receive from the public any comment or complaint on the slope appearance? Did the Government accordingly adopt any other appearance mitigation measures or enhance the greening work by other means? What are the related details and expenditures?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Ka-lok, Kenneth (Member Question No. 347)

Reply:

(1) The Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) carries out slope upgrading works under the Landslip Prevention and Mitigation Programme (LPMitP). In 2014-15, 154 man-made slopes were upgraded with 147 slopes by soil nails and seven slopes by other means such as fill re-compaction. Vegetation cover was provided to 105 of the slopes whereas shotcrete was applied to the other 49 slopes where the application of vegetation cover was not feasible, such as on steep or rocky slopes. For those slopes applied with shotcrete, planter holes were provided if practical and agreeable by the local residents.

The distribution of the 154 slopes upgraded in 2014-15 by districts is provided in the following table:

Financial year	District	Number of Upgraded Slopes
2014-2015	Hong Kong Island	46
	Kowloon	7
	New Territories	82
	Outlying Islands	19
Total		154

Note: Distribution by individual District Council areas is not readily available.

For slopes upgraded by soil nails, the average cost of soil nailing was about \$2.35 million per slope. For slopes that involved the use of shotcrete as the principal means of surface protection, the average cost of provision of shotcrete cover (including colour pigment and planter holes with plants) was about \$0.35 million per slope. For slopes provided with vegetation cover, the average cost of provision of vegetation cover was about \$0.1 million per slope.

(2) All the 154 man-made slopes upgraded under the LPMitP in 2014-15 were of safety concern although they had no immediate or obvious danger. For the 49 slopes applied with shotcrete, colour pigment was added to the shotcrete and planter holes were provided if practical and agreeable by the local residents. The total cost for provision of coloured shotcrete and planter holes for the slopes concerned was about \$17.2 million.

(3) We receive suggestions from the public on slope appearance from time to time. We welcome suggestions and will implement them when we carry out slope upgrading works so long as they are practicable, with no significant impact on slope stability and the programme of ongoing works, and are agreeable by the local residents. In the past year, suggestions implemented include adjusting the area of hard cover, selection of plant species, etc. The financial implications arising from these changes were comparatively minimal in the overall expenditure for the slope upgrading works.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)209

(Question Serial No. 6023)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses
Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

- (1) What is the respective relocation situation of the Cheuk Yuen Village indigenous and non-indigenous villagers affected by the Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Crossing Point project?
- (2) How many indigenous villagers moved into the resite houses constructed by the government? Regarding the resite houses, has the Government allocated additional resources for the rectification of defects complained by the villagers, what are the details?
- (3) How many resite houses are still vacant now? What is the expenditure in maintaining these houses?

Asked by: Hon. CHAN Ka-lok, Kenneth (Member Question No. 349)

Reply:

- (1) All the villagers of Chuk Yuen Village have already moved out of their original houses voluntarily. The resumption of all houses has been completed.
- (2) There are altogether 14 resite houses built by the Government and all of them have been handed over to villagers. Other resite houses are built by villagers themselves. For the 14 government-built resite houses, the contractor is responsible for rectifying defects not in conformance with the contract specifications. The Government needs to pay no cost for those rectification works.
- (3) There are no Government-built resite houses not yet handed over to villagers.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)210

(Question Serial No. 3667)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not specified
Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

- (1) What are the operational expenses, staff establishment and the estimated full-year personal emoluments in 2015-16 under Programme (3)?
- (2) The Administration has indicated that there will be a net increase of 15 posts in 2015-16 under Programme (3). What are the titles, functions and the estimated full-year personal emoluments of the posts concerned?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Wai-yip, Albert (Member Question Number: 76)

Reply:

1. For Programme (3), the estimated financial provision in 2015-16 is \$463 million. The number of staff involved is 605 (as at 31 March 2016) and the estimated full-year personal emoluments are \$407.8 million.
2. The 15 posts concerned consist of 3 Senior Engineers, 7 Engineers/Assistant Engineers, 1 Senior Technical Officer (Civil), 2 Technical Officers/Technical Officer Trainees (Civil), 1 Executive Officer I and 1 Motor Driver. They will provide support mainly for land supply initiatives and proposals including associated infrastructures. The annual staff cost for the net increase of the 15 posts is \$10.2 million in terms of notional annual mid-point salary value.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)211

(Question Serial No. 7068)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not specified
Programme: (5) Greening and Technical Services
Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development (F M LUK)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

What is the current status of the project **5047CG** “Greening master plans for New Territories Southeast and Northwest – priority greening works”? What scope does the expenditure of the project in 2015-16 cover? Will the project be completed at the estimated completion date according to that stated in the PWSC paper?

Asked by: Hon FAN Kwok-wai, Gary (Member Question No. 42)

Reply:

The project 5047CG “Greening master plans for New Territories Southeast and Northwest - priority greening works” commenced in December 2014. The expenditure of the project in 2015-16 will cover the greening works, consultants’ fees and remuneration of resident site staff. We aim to complete the project by the estimated completion date of late 2017 as stated in the PWSC paper.

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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)212

(Question Serial No. 3387)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): Not specified

Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure

Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development (F M LUK)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Regarding the infrastructure at north apron area of Kai Tak Airport, can the Government advise this Committee:

What is the current latest progress of major road works at the above location? When will such roads be expected to be commissioned, so that the traffic on Prince Edward Road East can be diverted to them and that both vehicles and pedestrians can travel via To Kwa Wan Road directly to and from the former airport runway and towards Kwun Tong?

Asked by: Hon FUNG Kin Kee (Member Question No. 64)

Reply:

Infrastructure works at the former north apron area of Kai Tak Development (KTD) are being implemented in stages according to their priorities and readiness to proceed. Details of the related major road projects are given in the table below:

Public Works Programme (PWP) Item No.	Project Title	Actual / Anticipated Completion Date	Major Roads to be Constructed	Remarks
739CL	KTD - Stage 1 infrastructure works at north apron area of Kai Tak Airport	December 2013	Shing Kai Road, Muk Hung Street, Muk Chui Street, and Muk On Street	Works substantially completed

Public Works Programme (PWP) Item No.	Project Title	Actual / Anticipated Completion Date	Major Roads to be Constructed	Remarks
746CL	KTD - Stage 2 infrastructure at north apron area of Kai Tak Airport	October 2015	Muk On Street (extension) and Muk Ning Street	Works in progress
761CL	KTD - Stages 3A and 4 infrastructure at north apron area of Kai Tak Airport	June 2017	Concorde Road, vehicular underpass across Prince Edward Road East, and Road D2	Works in progress

The remaining stages of infrastructure works at the former north apron area are under active planning and design to dovetail with the development pace and growth of traffic demand.

Upon completion of Road D2 under PWP Item no. 761CL in mid-2017, the vehicular and pedestrian traffic from To Kwa Wan Road can access Kowloon Bay/Kwun Tong areas directly via Road D2 without the need to route through Prince Edward Road East. Road D2 will also be connected with the proposed Road D3 in the former runway. Upon completion of Road D3 (now targeted in 2021), traffic from To Kwa Wan Road can directly access the former runway via Road D2 and Road D3.

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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**DEVB(W)213****(Question Serial No. 5370)**Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development DepartmentSubhead (No. & title): Not specifiedProgramme: (3) Provision of Land and InfrastructureControlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development (F M LUK)Director of Bureau: Secretary for DevelopmentQuestion:

Over the past 5 years, what was the amount paid by the Government for Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai (HYW) Boundary Control Point (BCP) and associated works? In 2015-16, what will be the estimated amount of payment for Liantang/HYW BCP and associated works?

Asked by: Hon KWOK Ka-ki (Member Question No. 190)Reply:

1. The expenditure of the Liantang / Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point (LT/HYW BCP) project under all related Project Works Programme (PWP) items over the past five years, from April 2010 to March 2015, is given in Table 1 below.

Table 1		
PWP Item No.	Project Title	Expenditure (\$ million)
3020GB	Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point and associated works – Boundary Control Point buildings and the associated facilities – pre-construction consultancy services	127.0
5014GB	Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point and Associated Works – investigation and preliminary design	60.9
5016GB	Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point and associated works – village reprovisioning works	51.3
5017GB	Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point and associated works – detailed design and ground investigation	221.7

PWP Item No.	Project Title	Expenditure (\$ million)
5018GB	Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point and associated works – reprovisioning of boundary patrol road and associated security facilities.	233.8
5019GB	Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point and associated works – site formation and infrastructure works	2,101.9
5168CD	Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point and associated works – regulation of Shenzhen River stage IV	73.4
Total :		2,870.0

2. The forecast expenditure in 2015-16 for the LT/HYW BCP project under related PWP items is given in Table 2 below.

Table 2		
PWP Item No.	Project Title	Estimate (\$ million)
3013GB	Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point and associated works – construction of boundary control point buildings and associated facilities	212.0 (subject to approval of the funding application by the Finance Committee (FC) in LegCo Year 2014-15)
3020GB	Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point and associated works – Boundary Control Point buildings and the associated facilities – pre-construction consultancy services	7.0
5017GB	Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point and associated works – detailed design and ground investigation	5.1
5018GB	Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point and associated works – reprovisioning of boundary patrol road and associated security facilities.	40.0
5019GB	Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point and associated works – site formation and infrastructure works	1,843.0 (out of which \$380 million is subject to approval of the increase in the Approved Project Estimate by the FC in LegCo Year 2014-15)

PWP Item No.	Project Title	Estimate (\$ million)
5168CD	Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point and associated works – regulation of Shenzhen River stage IV	60.0
Total :		2,167.1 (out of which \$592 million is subject to funding approval by the FC in LegCo Year 2014-15)

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)214

(Question Serial No. 6128)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not specified
Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Please give a detailed list of completed project items of Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai (HYW) Boundary Control Point (BCP) and associated works. If the overrun funding application of Liantang/HYW and other associated works cannot be approved, has the Government studied how to make use of those completed project items for other uses?

Asked by: Hon KWOK Ka-kee (Member Question No. 229)

Reply:

There are three works items completed so far for the Liantang / Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point (BCP) project, as listed below -

- (i) Head 705, Sub-Head 5014GB
Contract No. CV/2009/12 – Liantang / Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point - Ground Investigation
- (ii) Head 705, Sub-Head 5016GB
Contract No. CV/2009/14 – Resite for Chuk Yuen Village
- (iii) Head 705, Sub-Head 5017GB
Contract No. CV/2011/03 – Liantang / Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point - Ground Investigation for Site Formation and Infrastructure Works

Items (i) and (iii) above are ground investigation (GI) works. The results of these GI works have been used for the design of the infrastructure of the BCP project. Item (ii) above is for the construction of the Chuk Yuen resite village for the sole use of the Chuk Yuen villagers. There is no other alternative use of the above completed items.

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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)215

(Question Serial No. 6129)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not specified
Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure
Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development (F M LUK)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

If the overrun funding application of Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai (HYW) and other associated works cannot be approved, will the Government hire consultant to study how to make use of those completed project items for other uses? If yes, what is the estimated amount in 2015-2016?

Asked by: Hon KWOK Ka-kee (Member Question No. 230)

Reply:

There are three completed items under the Liantang/ Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point (BCP) project. Two of them are ground investigation works and their results have been used for the design of the BCP project. The remaining item is the construction of the Chuk Yuen resite village for the sole use of the Chuk Yuen villagers. There is no other alternative use of the completed items.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)216

(Question Serial No. 6130)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): Not specified

Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure

Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development (F M LUK)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

If the overrun funding application of Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai (HYW) and other associated works cannot be approved, what is the amount of default compensation incurred?

Asked by: Hon KWOK Ka-ki (Member Question No. 231)

Reply:

We have awarded three works contracts with an aggregate contract value within the Approved Project Estimate (APE) under Sub-head 5019GB – Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point and associated works – site formation and infrastructure works. Award of the remaining contracts is subject to Finance Committee's approval of the increase in the APE of 5019GB. The current plan is to continue with the three awarded works contracts and there is thus no default compensation to be incurred.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)217

(Question Serial No. 3760)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not specified
Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure
Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development
(F M LUK)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Regarding the study on improving the water quality at Kai Tak Approach Channel and Kwun Tong Typhoon Shelter, can the Government advise the present water quality at the above location, details of the work planned, targets, anticipated completion dates and estimated expenditure?

Asked by: Hon TIEN Pei-chun, James (Member Question No. 62)

Reply:

- (1) The first phase of improvement works (including dredging and bio-remediation treatment works) at Kai Tak Approach Channel (KTAC) and Kwun Tong Typhoon Shelter (KTTS) was substantially completed in 2014, with recent data indicating that the water quality at KTAC and KTTS has improved.
- (2) We are conducting a review under PWP item no. 738CL to explore alternative ways of implementing the remaining phase of the improvement works, in particular the option of 600-metre opening at the former runway as set out in the approved Environmental Impact Assessment Report for the Kai Tak Development. We aim to complete the review in 2015 for public consultation on the way forward. The estimated expenditure under PWP item no. 738CL in 2015-16 is about \$3.71 million.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)218

(Question Serial No. 3466)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not specified
Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

According to Subhead 5751CL the planning and engineering study for reclamation at Sunny Bay:

The Government proposed five nearshore reclamation sites, including Lung Kwu Tan at Tuen Mun, Siu Ho Wan on North Lantau, Sunny Bay, Ma Liu Shui and southwest of Tsing Yi at the end of 2013. Can it advise:

1. Are there any feasibility assessment and environmental impact assessment conducted for the reclamation at Sunny Bay? If yes, what are the manpower and expenditure? If no, what are the reasons?
2. What is the expenditure for the planning and engineering study for the other four potential sites?

Asked by: Hon TONG Ka-wah, Ronny (Member Question No. 91)

Reply:

1. The Civil Engineering and Development Department has completed the cumulative environmental impact assessment for the three potential reclamation sites in the western waters (viz. Sunny Bay, Lung Kwu Tan and Siu Ho Wan). At its meeting on 9 January 2015, the Public Works Subcommittee did not support the funding application for conducting the planning and engineering (P&E) study on Sunny Bay reclamation, which comprises feasibility assessment and environmental impact assessment. The estimated cost of the P&E study is about \$100 million in money-of-the-day prices. This Department will deploy two in-house professional staff to manage the study. We are now considering the way forward of the study.

2. The P&E study on Lung Kwu Tan reclamation is estimated to cost about \$78 million, while the estimated costs of the P&E studies for the other three potential reclamation sites are yet to be determined.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)219

(Question Serial No. 3400)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: Not specified

Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development (F M LUK)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

On engagement of “outsourced workers”, please provide the following information:

	2015-16 (the latest position)
Number of outsourced service contracts	()
Total expenditure for outsourced service providers	()
Duration of service for each outsourced service provider	()
Number of workers engaged through outsourced service providers	()
Details of the positions held by outsourced workers (e.g. customer service, property management, security, cleansing and information technology)	
Monthly salary range of outsourced workers	
• \$30,001 or above	()
• \$16,001 - \$30,000	()
• \$8,001 - \$16,000	()
• \$6,501 - \$8,000	()
• \$6,240 - \$6,500	()
• less than \$6,240	()
Length of service of outsourced workers	
• 15 years or above	()
• 10 - 15 years	()
• 5 - 10 years	()
• 3 - 5 years	()
• 1 - 3 years	()
• less than 1 year	()

	2015-16 (the latest position)
Percentage of outsourced workers against the total staff in the department	()
Percentage of expenditure for outsourced service providers against the total staff costs in the department	()
Number of workers who received severance payment/long service payment/contract gratuity	()
Amount of severance payment/long service payment/contract gratuity paid	()
Number of workers with severance payment/long service payment/contract gratuity offset by the accrued benefits attributable to employer's contributions to MPF	()
Amount of severance payment/long service payment/contract gratuity offset by the accrued benefits attributable to employer's contributions to MPF	()
Number of workers with paid meal break	()
Number of workers without paid meal break	()
Number of workers working 5 days per week	()
Number of workers working 6 days per week	()

Percentages in () denote comparison with 2014-15

Asked by: Hon WONG Kwok-hing (Member Question No. 45)

Reply:

The Civil Engineering and Development Department uses a wide range of outsourced services, such as cleansing and security, information technology, etc. Since the latest figures for 2015-16 are not available, information as at 31.12.2014 is provided below.

(a) Number of outsourced service contracts

2014-15 (as at 31.12.2014)
68 (+19.3%)

(b) Total expenditure for outsourced service contracts

2014-15 (up to 31.12.2014) (\$million)
34.6 (+40.7%)

(c) Duration of outsourced service contracts

Duration of service	2014-15 (as at 31.12.2014)
	Number of contracts
6 months or less	4 (-20.0%)
Over 6 months to 1 year	31 (+10.7%)
Over 1 year to 2 years	24 (+60.0%)
Over 2 years	9 (0%)
Total:	68 (+19.3%)

(d) Total number of workers engaged through outsourced service providers

2014-15 (as at 31.12.2014)
198 (+15.1%)

(e) Number of outsourced workers against their work nature

Nature of service contracts	2014-15 (as at 31.12.2014)
	Number of workers
Cleansing	17 (+13.3%)
Security	83 (0%)
Information technology	16 (+700.0%)
Technical service	29 (+45.0%)
General administration support	49 (+11.4%)
Others (e.g. staff training)	4 (-50.0%)
Total:	198 (+15.1%)

(f) Salaries of outsourced workers

After the implementation of the Statutory Minimum Wage (SMW) on 1 May 2011, for service contracts on security and cleansing, the contractors have been required to pay workers wages not lower than the prevailing SMW.

For other service contracts, we specify and require only the service to be provided. We do not have information about the salaries of the workers employed by the contractors.

(g) Length of service of outsourced workers

The mode of using outsourced workers is that government departments and the contractor enter into a service contract under which the contractor will supply manpower as and when required. As long as the requirements of the government departments (in terms of the number of outsourced workers and the qualifications and/or experience required from outsourced workers) are satisfied, the contractor may arrange any of their employees to work in the department or arrange replacement outsourced workers during the contract period for different reasons. Therefore, we do not have information on the years of service of outsourced workers who are employees of the contractors and are at the disposal of the latter.

(h) Percentage of outsourced workers against the total staff in the Department

2014-15 (as at 31.12.2014)
10.7%

(i) Percentage of expenditure of outsourced service providers against the total staff costs in the Department

2014-15 (up to 31.12.2014)
4.4%

(j) Severance payment / long service payment / contract gratuity paid to outsourced workers

The department entered into contracts with the outsourced contractors for provision of services as required by the department during the contract period. The contractual relationship of the outsourced workers is with the outsourced contractors which have to fulfil the obligations of employers under the relevant laws including the Employment Ordinance (Cap. 57) and Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance (Cap. 485). We do not have information on the severance payment/ long service payment/ contract gratuity paid by the contractors to their workers.

(k) Meal break for outsourced workers

The outsourced workers are employed by the outsourced contractors, and whether the meal break is paid or not is governed by the employment contract between the two parties. We do not have information on this matter.

(I) **Number of outsourced workers against working days**^(Note)

Working days	2014-15 (as at 31.12.2014)	
	Number of workers	
5 working days per week	1	(-50.0%)
6 working days per week	99	(+3.1%)
Total:	100	(+2.0%)

Note: For workers of service contracts on security and cleansing only

Percentages in () denote comparison with 2013-14 except where the relevant figure in 2013-14 is zero.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)220

(Question Serial No. 3401)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: Not specified

Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development (F M LUK)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

On engagement of agency workers, please provide the following information:

	2015-16 (the latest position)
Number of contracts with employment agencies	()
Contract sum paid to each employment agency	()
Duration of service for each employment agency	()
Number of agency workers	()
Details of the positions held by agency workers	
Monthly salary range of agency workers	
• \$30,001 or above	()
• \$16,001 - \$30,000	()
• \$8,001 - \$16,000	()
• \$6,501 - \$8,000	()
• \$6,240 - \$6,500	()
• less than \$6,240	()
Length of service of agency workers	
• 15 years or above	()
• 10 - 15 years	()
• 5 - 10 years	()
• 3 - 5 years	()
• 1 - 3 years	()
• less than 1 year	()

	2015-16 (the latest position)
Percentage of agency workers against the total staff in the department	()
Percentage of expenditure for employment agencies against the total staff costs in the department	()
Number of workers who received severance payment/long service payment/contract gratuity	()
Amount of severance payment/long service payment/contract gratuity paid	()
Number of workers with severance payment/long service payment/contract gratuity offset by the accrued benefits attributable to employer's contributions to MPF	()
Amount of severance payment/long service payment/contract gratuity offset by the accrued benefits attributable to employer's contributions to MPF	()
Number of workers with paid meal break	()
Number of workers without paid meal break	()
Number of workers working 5 days per week	()
Number of workers working 6 days per week	()

Percentages in () denote comparison with 2014-15

Asked by: Hon WONG Kwok-hing (Member Question No. 46)

Reply:

Since the latest figures for 2015-16 are not available, the information in respect of the use of agency workers as at 30.9.2014 is provided below. This information excludes services provided under term contracts centrally administered by the Office of the Government Chief Information Officer.

(a) The number of contracts with employment agencies (EAs)

2014-15 (as at 30.9.2014)
2 (-60%)

(b) Contract sum and duration of services

Contract sum	2014-15 (as at 30.9.2014)
	Number of contracts
Less than \$0.5 million	2 (-60%)
\$0.5 million to \$1 million	0 (-)
Over \$1 million	0 (-)
Total:	2 (-60%)

Duration of services	2014-15 (as at 30.9.2014)
	Number of contracts
6 months or less	0 (-100%)
Over 6 months to 1 year	2 (+100%)
Over 1 year to 2 years	0 (-)
Over 2 years	0 (-)
Total:	2 (-60%)

(c) Number of workers against their job categories

Number of workers	2014-15 (as at 30.9.2014)
	2 (-60%)

Job category of workers	2014-15 (as at 30.9.2014)
	Number of workers
Backend office support	1 (-80%)
Technical services	1 (-)
Total:	2 (-60%)

(d) Monthly salary range of agency workers

As at 30 September 2014, the department procured two contracts and the monthly wages of the agency workers were \$9,625 and \$18,500 respectively.

(e) Length of service of agency workers

The mode of using agency workers is that a government department and an EA enter into a service contract under which the agency will supply manpower as and when required. As long as the requirements of the government department (in terms of the number of agency workers and the qualifications and/or experience required from agency workers) are satisfied, the EA may arrange any of their employees to work in

the department or arrange replacement agency workers during the contract period for different reasons. Therefore, we do not keep information on the years of service of agency workers who are employees of the EAs and are at the disposal of the latter.

(f) Percentage of workers against the total staff in the Department

2014-15 (as at 30.9.2014)
0.11%

(g) Percentage of expenditure for EAs against the total staff costs in the Department

2014-15 (as at 30.9.2014)
0.06%

(h) Severance payment / long service payment / contract gratuity paid to agency worker by employment agency

The department entered into contracts with the EAs for provision of services as required by the department during the contract period. The contractual relationship of the agency workers is with the EAs which have to fulfil the obligations of employers under the relevant laws including the Employment Ordinance (Cap. 57) and Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance (Cap. 485). We do not have information on the severance payment/ long service payment/ contract gratuity paid by the EAs to their workers.

(i) Meal break for workers

The agency workers are employed by the EAs, and whether the meal break is paid or not is governed by the employment contract between the two parties. We do not have information on this matter.

(j) Number of workers against working days

Working days	2014-15 (as at 30.9.2014) Number of workers
5 working days per week	2 (-60%)
6 working days per week	0 (-)
Total:	2 (-60%)

Percentage in () denotes comparison with 2013-14 except where the relevant figure in 2013-14 is zero.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)221

(Question Serial No. 3402)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: Not specified

Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development (F M LUK)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Regarding the employment of non-civil service contract (NCSC) staff, please provide the following information:

	2015-16 (the latest position)
Number of NCSC staff	()
Details of the positions held by NCSC staff	
Total expenditure on salaries for NCSC staff	()
Monthly salary range of NCSC staff	
• \$30,001 or above	()
• \$16,001 - \$30,000	()
• \$8,001 - \$16,000	()
• \$6,501 - \$8,000	()
• \$6,240 - \$6,500	()
• less than \$6,240	()
Length of service of NCSC staff	
• 15 years or above	()
• 10 - 15 years	()
• 5 - 10 years	()
• 3 - 5 years	()
• 1 - 3 years	()
• less than 1 year	()
Number of NCSC staff successfully appointed as civil servants	()
Percentage of NCSC staff against the total staff in the department	()

	2015-16 (the latest position)
Percentage of staff costs for NCSC staff against the total staff costs in the department	()
Number of workers who received severance payment/long service payment/contract gratuity	()
Amount of severance payment/long service payment/contract gratuity paid	()
Number of workers with severance payment/long service payment offset by or c ontract gratuity calculated from the accrued benefits attributable to employer's contributions to MPF	()
Amount of severance payment/long service payment offset by or contract gratuity calculated from the accrued benefits attributable to employer's contributions to MPF	()
Number of NCSC staff with paid meal break	()
Number of NCSC staff without paid meal break	()
Number of NCSC staff working 5 days per week	()
Number of NCSC staff working 6 days per week	()

Percentages in () denote comparison with 2014-15

Asked by: Hon. WONG Kwok-hing (Member Question No. 47)

Reply:

Since the latest figures for 2015-16 are not available, information on the employment of full-time non-civil service contract (NCSC) staff employed under the recurrent expenditure of the Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) as at 31.12.2014 is provided below.

(a) Number of NCSC staff against their job nature

Job nature	2014-15 (as at 31.12.2014)
	Number of NCSC staff
Professional	17 (-32%)
Technical and inspectorate	4 (-20%)
General administration	14 (+100%)
Total:	35 (-5.4%)

(b) Total expenditure on salary of NCSC staff

2014-15 (up to 31.12.2014) (\$million)
14.8 (+35.8%)

(c) Number of NCSC staff against their salaries and length of service

	2014-15 (as at 31.12.2014)
Monthly salary	Number of NCSC staff
\$30,001 or above	16 (+6.7%)
\$16,001 to \$30,000	7 (-58.8%)
\$8,001 to \$16,000	12 (+140%)
\$6,501 to \$8,000	0 (-)
\$6,240 to \$6,500	0 (-)
Less than \$6,240	0 (-)
Total:	35 (-5.4%)

	2014-15 (as at 31.12.2014)
Length of services	Number of NCSC staff
Over 15 years	0 (-)
10 years to 15 years	0 (-)
5 years to 10 years	2 (+100%)
3 years to 5 years	3 (-50%)
1 year to 3 years	8 (0%)
Less than 1 year	22 (0%)
Total:	35 (-5.4%)

(d) Number of NCSC staff appointed as civil servant ^(Note 1)

2014-15 (up to 31.12.2014)
18 (+100%)

Note 1: Including Information on NCSC staff appointed as civil servant within the CEDD only. The said NCSC staff have joined the civil service through an open, fair and competitive process.

(e) Percentage of NCSC staff against the total staff in the Department

2014-15 (as at 31.12.2014)
1.9%

- (f) **Percentage of staff costs for NCSC staff against the total staff costs in the Department**

2014-15 (up to 31.12.2014)
1.9%

- (g) **Number of workers who received severance payment/long service payment/contract gratuity**

2014-15 (up to 31.12.2014)
34 (-41.4%)

- (h) **Amount of severance payment/long service payment/contract gratuity paid**

2014-15 (up to 31.12.2014) (\$million)
1.9 (-26.9%)

- (i) **Number of workers with severance payment/long service payment offset by or contract gratuity calculated from the accrued benefits attributable to employer's contributions to MPF ^(Note 2)**

2014-15 (up to 31.12.2014)
33 (-43.1%)

- (j) **Amount of severance payment/long service payment offset by or contract gratuity calculated from the accrued benefits attributable to employer's contributions to MPF ^(Note 2)**

2014-15 (up to 31.12.2014) (\$million)
0.5 (-28.6%)

Note 2: According to the Civil Service Bureau's guidelines on employment of NCSC staff, the contract gratuity for NCSC staff, plus the Government's MPF contributions in respect of the NCSC staff, should not be more than 10% (for non-skilled jobs) or 15% (for skilled jobs) of the total basic salary drawn during the contract period. The Government will not make reference to accrued benefit in calculating contract gratuity for NCSC staff.

(k) Number of NCSC staff against meal break

Meal Break	2014-15 (as at 31.12.2014)
	Number of NCSC staff
Paid meal break	32 (-3%)
Unpaid meal break	3 (-25%)
Total:	35 (-5.4%)

(l) Number of NCSC staff against working days

Working days	2014-15 (as at 31.12.2014)
	Number of NCSC staff
5 working days per week	32 (-3%)
6 working days per week	3 (-25%)
Total:	35 (-5.4%)

Percentage in () denote comparison with 2013-14 except where the relevant figures in 2013-14 is zero.

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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**DEVB(W)222****(Question Serial No. 3795)**Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development DepartmentSubhead (No. & title): Not SpecifiedProgramme: (3) Provision of Land and InfrastructureControlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development (F M LUK)Director of Bureau: Secretary for DevelopmentQuestion:

Regarding the cycle track network in the New Territories (NT), what is the current progress of the works? Which sections have not yet been connected so far? When is the whole project expected to be completed? What are the expenditures involved?

Asked by: Hon WU Chi-wai (Member Question No. 90)Reply:

The comprehensive cycle track network in the New Territories mainly comprises two backbone sections, namely (i) Ma On Shan to Tuen Mun section via Sha Tin, Tai Po, Fanling, Sheung Shui and Yuen Long; and (ii) Tsuen Wan to Tuen Mun section. To enable early enjoyment by the public, we have been implementing the cycle track network in phases. The current status of the various sub-sections of the cycle track network is as follows -

Section	Sub-section	Current status	Anticipated completion date	Estimated expenditure in 2015-16 (\$ million)
Ma On Shan to Tuen Mun	Ma On Shan to Sheung Shui	Completed	March 2014 (Actual completion date)	2.5 (Subhead 271RS)
	Sheung Shui to Tuen Mun - stage 1 works	Construction in progress	End 2016	60.2 (Subhead 279RS)
	Sheung Shui to Tuen Mun - remaining works	Detailed design in progress and construction	End 2019	22.0 (Subhead 259RS subject

Section	Sub-section	Current status	Anticipated completion date	Estimated expenditure in 2015-16 (\$ million)
		scheduled to commence in end 2015 subject to funding approval of Finance Committee		to funding approval)
Tsuen Wan to Tuen Mun	Advance works (Tsing Tsuen Bridge to Bayview Garden in Tsuen Wan)	Detailed design in progress	Under review	1.0 (Subhead 276RS)
	Stage 1 works (Bayview Garden to Ting Kau) and Stage 2 works (Ting Kau to Tuen Mun)	Alignment review in progress	Under review	

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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

(Question Serial No. 3608)

Head: (705) Capital Works Reserve Fund: Civil Engineering
Subhead (No. & title): Not Specified
Programme: Not Specified
Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development (F M LUK)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development
Question:

1. How many tender invitations have the government made for the construction and related works of Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai (HYW) Boundary Crossing Point (BCP), counting from the date on which the Legislative Council (Legco) approved the funding? Please list out the breakdown in time sequence about the project names and the value involved in these works tender invitations.

2. In the several invitations mentioned above for the construction and related works of Liantang/HYW BCP, how many construction works contracts has the government awarded? Please list out the breakdown in time sequence about the project names, the commencement and completion dates of the works and the up-to date actual expenditures for these projects.

Asked by: Hon LEONG Kah-kit, Alan (Member Question No. 64)

Reply:

According to Rule 49 of the Finance Committee Procedures, special meetings of the Finance Committee are convened to examine the annual Estimates of Expenditure prepared by the Government in support of the Appropriation Bill.

*Expenditure charged to the Capital Works Reserve Fund does **not** form part of the Appropriation Bill. As such, questions relating to expenditure under the Fund are **not** relevant to the examination of the Estimates of Expenditure or the Appropriation Bill.*

1. The Government has invited tenders for 12 works contracts for the Liantang / Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point (BCP) project under Head 703 and 705. The details of the tenders listed in chronological order are given in Table 1 below.

2. The Government has awarded 9 works contracts, the details of which are listed in chronological order in Table 2 below.

**Table 1 -- Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point & Associated Works
Details of Tenders Invited**

PWP Item	Contract	Tender Invitation Date	Awarded Tender Sum (\$ million)
5014GB	CV/2009/12 Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point - Ground Investigation	10/2009	33.82
5016GB	CV/2009/14 Resite for Chuk Yuen Village	5/2010	43.30
5017GB	CV/2011/03 Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point - Ground Investigation for Site Formation and Infrastructure Works	7/2011	146.80
5018GB	DC/2011/06 Reprovisioning of boundary patrol road and associated security facilities between Ping Yuen River and Pak Fu Shan and Drainage Works in North District	12/2011	312.22
5019GB	CV/2012/06 Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point Site Formation and Infrastructure Works - Contract 1	7/2012	N/A (Tender cancelled)
5019GB	CV/2012/09 Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point Site Formation and Infrastructure Works - Contract 3	9/2012	1,604.33
5019GB	CV/2012/08 Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point Site Formation and Infrastructure Works - Contract 2	11/2012	10,244.24
5019GB	CV/2013/03 Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point Site Formation and Infrastructure Works - Contract 5	1/2013	491.00
5168CD	Regulation of Shenzhen River Stage IV (Contract A)	4/2013	106.73
5168CD	Regulation of Shenzhen River Stage IV (Contract B)	6/2013	140.25
5019GB	CV/2013/08 Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point Site Formation and Infrastructure Works - Contract 6	7/2013	Not yet awarded
3013GB	SSC505 Construction of Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point (BCP) - BCP Buildings and Associated Facilities	8/2014	Not yet awarded

**Table 2 -- Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point & Associated Works
Details of Awarded Works Contracts**

PWP Item	Contract	Commencement Date	Completion Date	Expenditure up to 28 Feb 2015 (\$ million)
5014GB	CV/2009/12 Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point - Ground Investigation	12/2009	7/2010*	26.30
5016GB	CV/2009/14 Resite for Chuk Yuen Village	8/2010	12/2011*	43.49
5017GB	CV/2011/03 Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point - Ground Investigation for Site Formation and Infrastructure Works	10/2011	1/2013*	124.36
5018GB	DC/2011/06 Reprovisioning of boundary patrol road and associated security facilities between Ping Yuen River and Pak Fu Shan and Drainage Works in North District	2/2012	2/2015*	233.90
5019GB	CV/2013/03 Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point Site Formation and Infrastructure Works - Contract 5	4/2013	10/2015	232.20
5019GB	CV/2012/09 Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point Site Formation and Infrastructure Works - Contract 3	7/2013	8/2018	348.94
5168CD	Regulation of Shenzhen River Stage IV (Contract A)	8/2013	1/2017	21.42
5168CD	Regulation of Shenzhen River Stage IV (Contract B)	12/2013	7/2017	13.75
5019GB	CV/2012/08 Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point Site Formation and Infrastructure Works - Contract 2	12/2013	6/2018	1,301.29

Note : *Contract substantially completed.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

DEVB(W)224

(Question Serial No. 4558)

Head: (707) Capital Works Reserved Fund - New Towns and Urban Areas Development

Subhead (No. & title): Not Specified

Programme: Not Specified

Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development (F M LUK)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Please inform this Committee of the expenditure involved in and details of the Detailed Feasibility Study for the Environmentally Friendly Linkage System for Kowloon East, and the expected completion date of the study.

Asked by: Hon WONG Pik-wan, Helena (Member Question No. 100)

Reply:

According to Rule 49 of the Finance Committee Procedures, special meetings of the Finance Committee are convened to examine the annual Estimates of Expenditure prepared by the Government in support of the Appropriation Bill.

*Expenditure charged to the Capital Works Reserve Fund does **not** form part of the Appropriation Bill. As such, questions relating to expenditure under the Fund are **not** relevant to the examination of the Estimates of Expenditure or the Appropriation Bill.*

The estimated project cost for conducting the Detailed Feasibility Study (DFS) for the Environmentally Friendly Linkage System (EFLS) is about \$92 million in money-of-the-day prices. Subject to funding approval of the Finance Committee to commence the DFS, the study is targeted for completion in mid-2017. The DFS will mainly cover the following scope:

- (a) evaluation of the most suitable transport mode for EFLS and formulation of a well-planned integrated multi-modal linkage system (comprising the Mass Transit Railway, EFLS, green road-based transport and improved pedestrian facilities) for enhancing the connectivity of Kowloon East;

- (b) examination of financial viability, environmental acceptability as well as technical feasibility for EFLS covering alignment, system design and implementation programme; and
- (c) examination of the impact of the proposed Kwun Tong Transportation Link, which will link up Kwun Tong with the former runway tip, on the use of the water body at the Kwun Tong Typhoon Shelter and Kai Tak Approach Channel, and formulation of mitigation measures.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

ENB026

(Question Serial No. 2743)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not Specified
Programme: (7) Management of Construction and Demolition Materials
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for the Environment

Question:

The public fill delivered to the Mainland for beneficial re-use in 2015 is estimated by the Government to be 12 (million tonnes). With the increase of delivery of public fill to the Mainland, will the quantity of public fill delivered to Tseung Kwan O Area 137 be reduced? If yes, what will be the quantity? If no, what will be the reasons? In addition, what is the expenditure involved for the delivery of public fill to the Mainland for beneficial re-use? Please provide detailed information.

Asked by: Hon QUAT Elizabeth (Member Question No. 72)

Reply:

The quantity of public fill received at the Tseung Kwan O Area 137 Fill Bank mainly depends on the quantity of surplus fill materials generated by various local construction projects. It is not directly related to the quantity of public fill delivered to the Mainland for beneficial re-use.

The estimated expenditure by the Civil Engineering and Development Department for the management of public fill in the financial year 2015-16 is \$946.0 million. The expenditures mainly cover the operation and maintenance costs of the public fill reception facilities, costs for the delivery of public fill to the Mainland and the supply to local projects for use, associated staff costs and administrative expenses. As the delivery of public fill to the Mainland and the supply of public fill to local projects are undertaken by one single contractor, there is no cost breakdown for individual operations in the contract.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

ENB027

(Question Serial No. 1890)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not Specified
Programme: (7) Management of Construction and Demolition Materials
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for the Environment

Question:

In 2015-16, the Civil Engineering and Development Department will continue with the cross-boundary delivery of surplus public fill for beneficial re-use in the Mainland and review the scheme in light of the experience gained. Would the Government inform this Committee:

1. the annual amount of public fill delivered to the Mainland in the past five years and the expenditure involved; and
2. the estimated amount of public fill to be delivered to the Mainland in 2015-16 and the expenditure involved?

Asked by: Hon TIEN Pei-chun, James (Member Question No. 30)

Reply:

The quantities of surplus public fill delivered to the Mainland for beneficial re-use in the past five years are as follows:

Year	Quantity
2010	9.4 million tonnes
2011	11.2 million tonnes
2012	9.5 million tonnes
2013	9.8 million tonnes
2014	10.2 million tonnes

In addition, the expenditures incurred by the Civil Engineering and Development Department for the management of public fill in the past 5 financial years are as follows:

Financial Year	Expenditures
2010-11	\$673.9 million (actual)
2011-12	\$759.8 million (actual)
2012-13	\$718.1 million (actual)
2013-14	\$694.9 million (actual)
2014-15	\$886.8 million (revised estimate)

We estimate that 12 million tonnes of surplus public fill will be delivered to the Mainland for beneficial re-use in 2015. The estimated expenditure incurred by the Civil Engineering and Development Department for the management of public fill in the financial year 2015-16 is \$946.0 million.

The above expenditures mainly cover the operation and maintenance costs of the public fill reception facilities, costs for the delivery of public fill to the Mainland and supply to local projects for re-use, the associated staff costs and administrative expenses.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

ENB028

(Question Serial No. 1891)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not Specified
Programme: (7) Management of Construction and Demolition Materials
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for the Environment

Question:

In 2015-16, the Civil Engineering and Development Department will continue to handle the considerable quantity of public fill to be generated from major infrastructure projects, as well as to identify alternative options for handling surplus public fill. Regarding this, can the Government inform this Committee:

1. In the past five years, what were the total quantities of public fill generated from major infrastructure projects each year and the handling method?
2. In 2015-16, what is the estimated quantity of the above public fill to be generated and the estimated expenditure involved?
3. What is the time anticipated for the completion of the identification and announcement of the alternative option for handling surplus public fill?

Asked by: Hon TIEN Pei-chun, James (Member Question No. 31)

Reply:

In the past five years, major infrastructure projects generated about 4 million tonnes of public fill annually. The public fill has been supplied to suitable local projects for reuse, and the remaining has been stockpiled at the fill banks in Hong Kong or delivered to the Mainland for reuse. The estimated quantity of public fill to be generated from major infrastructure projects in 2015 is similar to that of the previous years.

In 2015-16, the Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) will continue to handle the public fill generated from major infrastructure projects and the estimated expenditure for this is about \$300 million. In addition, the CEDD will look into alternative options for handling surplus public fill. There is as yet no definite time table.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

(Question Serial No. 6025)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (7) Management of Construction and Demolition Materials

Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development
(Kevin F M LUK)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for the Environment

Question:

- (1) What was the average daily number of dump trucks dumping construction fill at Chai Wan Public Barging Point from January 2014 to February 2015? What was the quantity of construction fill involved?
- (2) Did the Government receive any complaints about traffic or hygiene problem arising from Chai Wan Public Fill Barging Point in the past year? Please provide the relevant data and the follow-up actions by the Government as well as the expenditure involved according to the types of complaint contents

Asked by: Hon CHAN Ka-lok, Kenneth (Member Question No. 351)

Reply:

(1) The average daily numbers of dump trucks by month entering the Chai Wan Public Fill Barging Point during the period from January 2014 to February 2015 and the associated quantities of public fill received are as follows:

	Year 2014						
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July
Average daily number of truckloads	556	564	694	679	705	837	755
Quantity of public fill received by month (tonnes)	150 553	144 809	202 315	177 612	214 809	249 232	216 999

	Year 2014					Year 2015	
	August	September	October	November	December	January	February
Average daily number of truckloads	602	593	684	759	823	834	701
Quantity of public fill received by month (tonnes)	183 695	165 184	211 352	249 588	277 797	297 891	200 178

(2) In the past year from March 2014 to February 2015, the Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) received 5 complaints about traffic congestion and 1 complaint about pedestrian safety in relation to the operation of the Chai Wan Public Fill Barging Point.

To relieve the traffic impacts caused by dump trucks making use of the barging point, CEDD has been actively coordinating projects that delivered large quantities of public fill to the barging point and has requested persons in charge of these projects to arrange for the direct delivery of surplus public fill to the recipient projects, thereby reducing the traffic loading in the vicinity of the barging point. We have also requested the persons in charge of these projects to divert some of the truckloads to other public fill reception facilities or make use of the barging point during non-peak hours.

In addition, CEDD has deployed barges with larger capacities to enhance the operation efficiency of the barging point and reduce the queuing time of the dump trucks. CEDD has fully utilized the buffer zone within the barging point for temporary queuing of dump trucks to avoid affecting the traffic on the streets outside, and appealed to the truck drivers to avoid blocking up road junctions in order to reduce the impacts to other vehicles and to keep the walkway clear in order to safeguard pedestrian safety. We will continue to closely liaise with relevant government departments and users with a view to minimizing the traffic and pedestrian impact induced by the operation of the barging point.

The above measures and arrangements were handled by CEDD staff and no additional expenditure was involved.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

(Question Serial No. 4717)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): Not specified

Programme: (7) Management of Construction and Demolition Materials

Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development
(Kevin F M LUK)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for the Environment

Question:

The Government has pointed out in this programme that the estimated quantity of public fill to be delivered to the Mainland for beneficial re-use is 12 million tonnes in 2015, an increase of nearly 20% over 2014, but the recycling of inert hard construction and demolition materials is only 0.12 million tonnes. Regarding this, can the Government advise this Committee:

- (1) What were the operating expenses for the delivery of public fill to the Mainland in 2014-15? What are the estimated expenses in 2015-16?
- (2) The recycling of inert hard construction and demolition materials is only 0.12 million tonnes in 2015-16, can the Government advise this Committee the operating expenses, establishment, estimated annual expenses for emoluments for formulating the policy of handling construction and demolition materials in 2015-16?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Wai-yip, Albert (Member Question No. 117)

Reply:

(1) The revised estimated expenditure in the financial year 2014-15 and the estimated expenditure in the financial year 2015-16 of the Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) for the management of public fill are \$886.8 million and \$946.0 million respectively. The expenditures mainly cover the operation and maintenance costs of the public fill reception facilities, costs for the delivery of public fill to the Mainland and the supply to local projects for use, associated staff costs and administrative expenses. As the delivery of surplus fill to the Mainland and the supply of public fill to local projects are undertaken by one single contractor, there is no cost breakdown for individual operations in the contract.

(2) The CEDD recycles inert hard construction and demolition materials according to the demand and the nature of material. This is part of the management of public fill. There is no cost breakdown for recycling of inert hard construction and demolition materials in the contract. The operations are managed by the existing staff of CEDD and no additional manpower and expenditure is involved.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

HAB001

(Question Serial No. 1947)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure

Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Home Affairs

Question:

Regarding the handling of matters relating to Lung Mei Beach, what were the related details of the work and expenditures in 2014-15? What will be the related details of work and expenditures expected in 2015-16?

Asked by: Hon TO Kun-sun, James (Member Question No. 52)

Reply:

In view of the ongoing litigation in respect of a judicial review relating to the Lung Mei Beach, the construction works concerned have been suspended and no expenditure has been incurred in 2014-15.

The resumption of the construction works and the expenditure in 2015-16 will depend on the development of the ongoing litigation.

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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

HAB002

(Question Serial No. 3033)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure

Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Home Affairs

Question:

Regarding various structures and facilities in the West Kowloon Cultural District (WKCD), what is the progress of works concerned? For the past 3 years, what are the details of work of the Government for various projects? What is the expenditure involved? What is the expected time to build and complete various structures?

Asked by: Hon WONG Pik-wan, Helena (Member Question No. 16)

Reply:

To support the phased development of the West Kowloon Cultural District (WKCD), the Government is undertaking the implementation of the integrated basement and public infrastructure works projects as follows -

Project	Current progress and work completed in the past 3 years (i.e. 2012-13, 2013-14 & 2014-15)	Total project expenditure in the past 3 years (i.e. 2012-13, 2013-14 & 2014-15)	Target commencement and completion dates
Integrated Basement Project	<p>The project scope comprises the capital works of the main integrated basement as general enabling works to be implemented in phases to facilitate the WKCD development.</p> <p>For the portions of integrated basement related to M+ and Lyric Theatre, we have commenced the design, public consultation, statutory gazettal procedures, and also the construction of some advance works, partly under alternative funding arrangement as reported to the Legislative Council (LegCo) Panel on Home Affairs and Panel on Development Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of WKCD Project on 12 January 2015.</p> <p>We are planning the implementation of the remaining portions of the integrated basement.</p>	About \$20 million	Phased implementation to tie in with the target completion dates of the early batches of WKCD Authority's facilities including Xiqu Centre (in 2017), M+ (in 2018) and Lyric Theatre (in 2020). The programmes for the later batches are under review.
Public Infrastructure Works (PIW) Project	<p>The project scope comprises public roads and lay-bys, drainage and sewage systems, fresh and salt water supply system, pedestrian linkage systems, berthing facilities and associated works, to be implemented in phases to facilitate the WKCD development.</p> <p>We have commenced the design, public consultation and statutory gazettal procedures for those PIW to support the early batches of the arts and cultural facilities.</p>	About \$20 million	

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

HAB003

(Question Serial No. 3034)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure

Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Home Affairs

Question:

Regarding the West Kowloon Cultural District (WKCD) Integrated Basement (IB) matters, what is the progress of works at present? For the past 3 years, what was the expenditure involved in the works? In 2008, the Legislative Council (LegCo) approved a funding of 21.6 billion to the WKCD Authority for the development of WKCD. At that time, did it cover all the expenditures of the above-ground facilities and the IB of the WKCD? If yes, what are the details? If not, when did the Government propose to construct the IB, and when was this approved by the LegCo? Who decided to construct the IB, and through what channel was this approved by the LegCo? What are the details of the papers?

Asked by: Hon WONG Pik-wan, Helena (Member Question No. 18)

Reply:

The Finance Committee (FC) of the Legislative Council (LegCo) approved an upfront endowment in the sum of \$21.6 billion (in 2008 Net Present Value (NPV)) in July 2008 (via PWSC(2008-09)31) for the West Kowloon Cultural District Authority (WKCDA) to implement the West Kowloon Cultural District (WKCD) project. The endowment to WKCDA covers, amongst others, the capital costs of the planning, design and construction of arts and cultural facilities, retail, dining and entertainment facilities, open space and related facilities. The other communal and government facilities and related engineering works, such as roads, drainage, fire station, public pier, etc. which are designed to support the whole WKCD (including residential, commercial and hotel developments) will be undertaken by the Government. Funding approval for such works will be sought separately.

Acknowledging that the integrated basement was not covered in the scope of the one-off upfront endowment granted to WKCDA in 2008, the Panel on Home Affairs and Panel on Development Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project of the LegCo (Joint Subcommittee) was informed (via LC Paper No. CB(2)1492/12-13(02)) at the meeting held on 3 July 2013 that the Government would fully fund the capital works of the main integrated basement as general enabling works to facilitate the development of the whole WKCD project. At the meeting held on 28 May 2014, the Joint Subcommittee (via LC Paper No. CB(2)1591/13-14(03)) noted that a phased approach would be adopted in implementing the integrated basement for WKCD to tie in with the phased development of WKCDA's facilities, and that the Government would seek funding approval from the FC on the implementation of the integrated basement project in phases. At the meeting held on 12 January 2015, the Government further updated the Joint Subcommittee (via LC Paper No. CB(2)561/14-15(04)), amongst others, on the alternative funding arrangement for the first stage of design and advance works related to M+ and Lyric Theatre of the integrated basement.

The Integrated Basement project is divided in different portions for implementation to suit the phased development of WKCD, with the current progress as follows:

Portion of Integrated Basement	Progress of Works	Target Completion Date
Related to M+ *	Construction of advance works has commenced.	To tie in with the target completion of M+ in 2018
Related to Lyric Theatre #	Design, public consultation and statutory gazettal procedures have commenced.	To tie in with the target completion of Lyric Theatre in 2020
Remaining	Phased implementation is under planning.	To tie in with the target completion of the later batches of WKCDA's facilities which are under review

The total project expenditure in the past 3 years (i.e. 2012-13, 2013-14 and 2014-15) is about \$20 million.

Note:

* Underground road, protection works for the existing Airport Express tunnels, and associated works.

Essential basement structure, underground road, protection works for the existing Airport Express tunnels, and associated works.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

HAB267

(Question Serial No. 6024)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure

Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development
(F M LUK)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Home Affairs

Question:

What is the work plan of Lung Mei Beach project? What is the contract expenditure so far? Did the Contractor submit claim for compensation? If yes, what is the status and the amount claimed?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Ka-lok, Kenneth (Member Question No. 350)

Reply:

In view of the ongoing litigation in respect of a judicial review relating to the Lung Mei Beach, the construction works concerned have been suspended. As at end of February 2015, the contract expenditure is around \$5.8 million and the contractor has so far not submitted any claim for compensation.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

HAB525

(Question Serial No. 7069)

Head: (705) Capital Works Reserve Fund: Civil Engineering

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not specified

Programme: (-) Not specified

Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development
(F M LUK)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Home Affairs

Question:

What is the progress of subhead "Development of a bathing beach at Lung Mei, Tai Po" and the reason of no expenditure in 2014-15? What will be the related details of expenditures expected in 2015-16? Would the project be completed according to the expected completion date given during application for funding approval?

Asked by: Hon FAN Kwok-wai, Gary (Member Question No. 42)

Reply:

According to Rule 49 of the Finance Committee Procedures, special meetings of the Finance Committee are convened to examine the annual Estimates of Expenditure prepared by the Government in support of the Appropriation Bill.

Expenditure charged to the Capital Works Reserve Fund do **not** form part of the Appropriation Bill. As such, questions relating to expenditure under the Fund are **not** relevant to the examination of the Estimates of Expenditure or the Appropriation Bill.

In view of the ongoing litigation in respect of a judicial review relating to the Lung Mei Beach, the construction works concerned have been suspended and no expenditure has been incurred in 2014-15.

The Lung Mei project cannot be completed in accordance with the original schedule and its progress and the expenditure in 2015-16 will depend on the development of the ongoing judicial review.

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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

THB(H)058-1

(Question Serial No. 0083)

Head: (711) Capital Works Reserve Fund: Housing

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not specified

Programme: (-) Not specified

Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Transport and Housing

Question:

Concerning 566CL - Development at Anderson Road, the latest estimates state that the actual expenditure of the project was only HK\$2,456.9 million as at 31 March 2014. However, according to the LegCo paper PWSC(2007-08)57, the Administration should have spent HK\$3,115 million by the end of 2013/14. Will the Administration inform this Committee the reasons for the below-par spending on the project? What is the latest progress and estimated completion date of the project?

Asked by: Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him (Member Question No. 7)

Reply:

According to Rule 49 of the Finance Committee Procedures, special meetings of the Finance Committee are convened to examine the annual Estimates of Expenditure prepared by the Government in support of the Appropriation Bill.

Expenditure charged to the Capital Works Reserve Fund do not form part of the Appropriation Bill. As such, questions relating to expenditure under the Fund are not relevant to the examination of the Estimates of Expenditure or the Appropriation Bill.

The actual expenditure of Project 566CL as at end of March 2014 being less than the forecast shown in the LegCo PWSC paper is mainly due to the lower tender price than expected. As at end of February 2015, the works of the Development at Anderson Road project are about 94% completed. The project is anticipated to be completed substantially in mid-2015.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

THB(H)058-2

(Question Serial No. 0103)

Head: (711) Capital Works Reserve Fund: Housing

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not specified

Programme: (-) Not specified

Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Transport and Housing

Question:

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Asked by: Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him (Member Question No. 33)

Reply:

According to Rule 49 of the Finance Committee Procedures, special meetings of the Finance Committee are convened to examine the annual Estimates of Expenditure prepared by the Government in support of the Appropriation Bill.

Expenditure charged to the Capital Works Reserve Fund do not form part of the Appropriation Bill. As such, questions relating to expenditure under the Fund are not relevant to the examination of the Estimates of Expenditure or the Appropriation Bill.

The actual expenditure of Project 566CL as at end of March 2014 being less than the forecast shown in the LegCo PWSC paper is mainly due to the lower tender price than expected. As at end of February 2015, the works of the Development at Anderson Road project are about 94% completed. The project is anticipated to be completed substantially in mid-2015.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

THB(T)019

(Question Serial No. 2739)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified
Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Transport and Housing

Question:

In Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2015-16, it is mentioned that the detailed design of the Tseung Kwan O-Lam Tin Tunnel (TKO-LTT) and the Cross Bay Link (CBL) will be continued. Please list out the detailed information on the expenditure involved, design progress, design work timetable, etc.

Asked by: Hon QUAT Elizabeth (Member Question No. 68)

Reply:

The detailed designs for the TKO-LTT and the CBL projects commenced in September 2013 and August 2014 respectively. They are progressing on schedule for completion by end 2016.

The estimated expenditure for the TKO-LTT in 2015-16 under PWP Item No. 7862TH, at about \$28.9 million, includes the consultants' fees for the detailed design, the cost of site investigation works and its associated supervision cost. The estimated expenditure for the CBL in 2015-16 under PWP Item No. 7865TH, at about \$25.0 million, includes the consultants' fees for the detailed design, the cost of site investigation works and its associated supervision cost.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

THB(T)020

(Question Serial No. 2741)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified
Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure
Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Transport and Housing

Question:

In Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2015-16, it is mentioned that the detailed design and site investigation for the Widening of Tai Po Road (Sha Tin Section) will commence. Please list out the detailed information on the expenditure involved, design progress and works programme, etc.

Asked by: Hon QUAT Elizabeth (Member Question No. 70)

Reply:

The estimated cost of the detailed design and site investigation for the "Widening of Tai Po Road (Sha Tin Section)" project is \$43.2 million (in money-of-the-day prices).

The preliminary design and environmental impact assessment for the project have been completed. We consulted the Traffic and Transport Committee of the Sha Tin District Council on the preliminary design of the project on 6 January 2015 and obtained its support. The project is planned to be gazetted under the Roads (Works, Use and Compensation) Ordinance (Cap 370) in mid-2015.

Subject to the funding approval of the Legislative Council in the 2014-15 legislative session, we plan to commence the detailed design and site investigation for the project in end-2015 for completion by end-2017.

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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

(Question Serial No. 3283)

Head: (707) Capital Works Reserve Fund - New Towns and Urban Area Development

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (-) Not Specified

Controlling Officer: Director of Civil Engineering and Development (C K HON)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Transport and Housing

Question:

- (1) What is the progress of Subhead 7862TH "Tseung Kwan O - Lam Tin Tunnel – detailed design and site investigation"? On which areas will the expenditure for 2015-16 be used? Can the whole project be finished on the expected completion date as stated in the Approved Estimate?
- (2) What is the progress of Subhead 7865TH "Cross Bay Link, Tseung Kwan O - detailed design and site investigation"? On which areas will the expenditure for 2015-16 be used? Can the whole project be finished on the expected completion date as stated in the Approved Estimate?

Asked by: Hon FAN Kwok-wai, Gary (Member Question No. 44)

Reply:

According to Rule 49 of the Finance Committee Procedures, special meetings of the Finance Committee are convened to examine the annual Estimates of Expenditure prepared by the Government in support of the Appropriation Bill.

Expenditure charged to the Capital Works Reserve Fund do **not** form part of the Appropriation Bill. As such, questions relating to expenditure under the Fund are **not** relevant to the examination of the Estimates of Expenditure or the Appropriation Bill.

- (1) The detailed design and site investigation works for the Tseung Kwan O - Lam Tin Tunnel (TKO-LTT) commenced in September 2013 and are progressing on schedule. The estimated expenditure in 2015-16 includes the consultants' fees for the detailed design, the cost of site investigation works and its associated supervision cost. It is anticipated that the detailed design and site investigation works for the TKO-LTT would be completed by end 2016 as scheduled.

(2) The detailed design and site investigation works for the Cross Bay Link (CBL) commenced in August 2014 and are progressing on schedule. The estimated expenditure in 2015-16 includes the consultants' fees for the detailed design, the cost of site investigation works and its associated supervision cost. It is anticipated that the detailed design and site investigation works for the CBL will be completed by end 2016 as scheduled.

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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

THB(T)230

(Question Serial No. 3762)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure

Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development (F M LUK)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Transport and Housing

Question:

Regarding the construction works of the Tseung Kwan O-Lam Tin Tunnel (TKO-LTT) and the Cross Bay Link (CBL), can the Government advise:

- (1) What are the progress of the works to date, the latest anticipated completion dates and the estimated expenditure?
- (2) Has the expedition of works been considered? If yes, what are the impacts on the completion dates and the estimated expenditure?

Asked by: Hon TIEN Pei-chun, James (Member Question No. 64)

Reply:

The detailed designs for the TKO-LTT and the CBL projects commenced in September 2013 and August 2014 respectively. They are progressing on schedule for completion by end 2016. The estimated expenditures for the construction works of both projects are under review, and will only be available after the detailed designs are substantially completed.

Subject to the smooth progress of the works involved and the Legislative Council's funding approval for the construction works, according to current assessment, the proposed TKO-LTT is expected to be commissioned in 2020 at the earliest. We hope that the commissioning date of the CBL could dovetail with that of the TKO-LTT.

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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

THB(T)231

(Question Serial No. 3763)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure

Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development (F M LUK)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Transport and Housing

Question:

Regarding the works for the widening of Tai Po Road (Sha Tin Section), can the Government advise:

- (1) What are the progress of the works to date, the latest estimated completion dates and expenditure?
- (2) Has the expedition of progress of works been considered? If yes, what are the impacts on the completion dates and estimated expenditure?

Asked by: Hon TIEN Pei-chun, James (Member Question No. 65)

Reply:

- (1) The preliminary design and environmental impact assessment for the "Widening of Tai Po Road (Sha Tin Section)" project have been completed. We consulted the Traffic and Transport Committee of the Sha Tin District Council on the preliminary design of the project on 6 January 2015 and obtained its support. The project is planned to be gazetted under the Roads (Works, Use and Compensation) Ordinance (Cap 370) in mid-2015. Subject to the funding approval of the Legislative Council (LegCo) in the 2014-15 legislative session, we plan to commence the detailed design and site investigation for the project in end-2015 for completion by end-2017. The estimated cost of the detailed design and site investigation for the project is \$43.2 million (in money-of-the-day prices).
- (2) We have reviewed the programme of the project taking into account the complexity of the works and technical constraints, such as temporary traffic diversions during construction. Subject to the progress of the pre-construction works (including detailed design and site investigation), we will seek funding from the Finance Committee in a timely manner for the construction works according to the established procedures for public works projects.

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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

THB(T)232

(Question Serial No. 4329)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (2) Port and Marine Facilities

Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development (F M LUK)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Transport and Housing

Question:

In last year's estimate, the Department mentioned in Matters Requiring Special Attention that it was ready to commence the construction of additional floors at Central Piers Nos. 4, 5 and 6. Please advise this Committee why this item has been deleted in this year's estimate?

Asked by: Hon WU Chi-wai (Member Question No. 82)

Reply:

When the proposal on the construction of additional floors at Central Piers Nos. 4, 5 and 6 was submitted to the Public Works Subcommittee under the Finance Committee in mid-2013, Members expressed concerns about matters relating to rental returns, as well as operation and management issues. The Transport and Housing Bureau (THB) has been looking into these matters to see how best such concerns can be addressed.

Meanwhile, the THB is working with the Development Bureau to explore the possibility of including the project covering Central Piers Nos. 4, 5 and 6 in the overall development plan for the new Central harbourfront to achieve greater benefits.

Having regard to the afore-mentioned development, and anticipated progress of the relevant examinations, no provision for the project has been included in the Estimates of Expenditure 2015-16.

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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

(Question Serial No. 3806)

Head: (707) Capital Works Reserve Fund - New Towns and Urban Area Development

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (-) Not Specified

Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development (F M LUK)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Transport and Housing

Question:

What is the progress of Subhead 7842TH - Tsuen Wan Bypass, Widening of Tsuen Wan Road between Tsuen Tsing Interchange and Kwai Tsing Interchange and the Associated Junction Improvement Works - Detailed Design? What are the reasons for no expenditure in 2014-15? In what areas will the expenditure for 2015-16 be used? Can the whole project be finished by the expected completion date as stated in the approved estimate?

Asked by: Hon FAN Kwok-wai, Gary (Member Question No. 46)

Reply:

According to Rule 49 of the Finance Committee Procedures, special meetings of the Finance Committee are convened to examine the annual Estimates of Expenditure prepared by the Government in support of the Appropriation Bill.

Expenditure charged to the Capital Works Reserve Fund do **not** form part of the Appropriation Bill. As such, questions relating to expenditure under the Fund are **not** relevant to the examination of the Estimates of Expenditure or the Appropriation Bill.

According to the traffic survey carried out in 2012, the traffic growth along Tsuen Wan Road was slower than expected. We have since been closely monitoring the traffic conditions of Tsuen Wan Road in order to firm up the justifications for the project before proceeding with detailed design.

The recent traffic surveys carried out along Tsuen Wan Road still indicated that there would not be substantial increase in the traffic volume in the long term. The fund allocated for the project in 2014-15 has therefore not been used. The Government will continue to closely monitor the traffic conditions and review the implementation programme of the project in a timely manner. A total of \$0.696 million is reserved for the project in 2015-16 to take forward further work (such as traffic impact assessment) if needed during the financial year.

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CONTROLLING OF FICER'S REPLY

S-ENB04

(Question Serial No. SV007)

Head: (33) Civil Engineering and Development Department
Subhead (No. & title): Not Specified
Programme: (7) Management of Construction and Demolition Materials
Controlling Officer: Acting Director of Civil Engineering and Development
(F M LUK)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for the Environment

Question:

Pursuant to reply no. ENB028, the Administration is requested to provide information on the amount of public fill out of the four million tonnes generated from major infrastructure projects in the past five years that is attributed to public housing projects.

Asked by: Hon James TIEN (Member Question No.)

Reply:

In the past five years, public housing projects generated on average about 1 million tonnes of public fill annually.

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