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<u>Programme</u>: (3) Railway Development

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Question: It is anticipated that there will be ten transport and planning studies with railway planning input provided by the Highways Department in 2006. Please provide the breakdown by titles, specific subject matters, costs and manpower as well as implementation programmes of the studies concerned.

Asked by: Hon. LI Fung-ying

Reply: In 2006, the Highways Department will continue to provide railway development planning input to the following on-going transport and planning studies carried out by various departments -

- (a) Hong Kong 2030 Planning Vision and Strategy;
- (b) Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Feasibility Study;
- (c) Planning Study on the Co-ordinated Development of the Greater Pearl River Delta Township;
- (d) Hong Kong Section of Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge and Connection with North Lantau Highway Investigation;
- (e) Lantau Logistics Park Development Feasibility Study;
- (f) Restructuring and Enhancement of the Third Comprehensive Transport Study Model Feasibility Study;
- (g) Study on Impact of West Island Line on Other Public Transport Modes;
- (h) Kai Tak Planning Review;
- (i) Wan Chai Development Phase II Planning and Engineering Review; and
- (j) Strategic Highway Project Review-2005 (including impact of South Island Line on Route 4).

The input is provided by in-house staff. No additional funding is required.

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