Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2008-09

## CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION

<u>Head</u>: 60 – Highways Department <u>Subhead</u> 000 Operational (No. & title): Expenses

Programme:

<u>Controlling Officer</u>: Director of Highways

<u>Director of Bureau</u>: Secretary for Transport and Housing

Question:

Regarding the studies (including in-house studies or those entrusted to consultants) conducted by the Department for the purposes of formulating and assessing policies, please provide the relevant information in the following format :

(1) For those consultancy studies that have been earmarked funds in 2007-08, please provide information in the following format :

Name of	Content	Revised	Progress of	The follow-ups	If completed,
Consultant (if any)	Content	Estimate (\$)	Studies (under planning / in progress / completed)	taken by the Administration on the study reports and	have they been
				(if any)	no, what are the reasons?

(2) Are there any funds earmarked for conducting consultancy studies in 2008-09? If yes, please provide the following information :

Name of	Content	Expenditure	Progress of Studies	Will the studies be
Consultant		(\$)	(under planning /	released to the public if
(if any)			in progress /	they are expected to be
			completed)	completed in the 2008-09
				financial year? If yes,
				through which channels?
				If no, what are the
				reasons?

Asked by: Hon. EU Yuet-mee, Audrey

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## Reply:

(1) The consultancy study for the purpose of formulating and assessing policies and has earmarked funding in 2007-08 -

Name of Consultant (if any)	Content	Revised Estimate (\$)	Studies (under planning / in	Administration on the study reports and	have they
Lloyd's Register Rail (Asia) Limited	A study on how railway projects would be delivered under concession approach	\$1.3 million	In progress	The study is not yet completed	no, what are the reasons? The study is not yet completed

(2) The Highways Department has not earmarked any funds in 2008-09 to conduct consultancy studies for the purpose of formulating and assessing policies.

 Signature

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 Post Title
 Director of Highways

Date 26 March 2008