

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO  
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Question:

The Highways Department stated that it would continue with the preliminary design and commence the statutory procedures for the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge (HZMB) Hong Kong Link Road and the HZMB Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities. What is the timetable for these tasks? What is the expenditure involved?

Asked by: Hon. LAM Kin-fung, Jeffrey

Reply:

We are conducting the Investigation and Preliminary Design (I&PD) studies for the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Link Road (HKLR) and the Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities (HKBCF) projects. We are also completing public consultation and various assessments for finalising the HKLR alignment and the HKBCF site location. Our target is to complete the preliminary design and the environmental impact assessment for the two projects with a view to starting their statutory procedures in the second half of 2009. The estimated cost of the I&PD studies for the HKLR and HKBCF projects are \$58.9 million and \$86.9 million respectively.

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