Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2011-12

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Question:

Regarding the road improvement works in association with the proposed re-alignment of Ngau Tau Kok Fourth Street and Fifth Street and construction of nearby footbridge links, please inform this Committee of the reasons for the significant increase in the estimate for 2011-12 by the Administration as compared with the revised estimate for 2010-11, the expected completion date of the project, the number of job opportunities to be created by it and the worker man-months required.

Asked by: Hon. WONG Kwok-kin

Reply:

The works carried out in 2010-11 were mainly preparatory work and therefore the expenditure involved was relatively small. The estimated expenditure in 2011-12 is significantly higher because a major portion of the construction works will be carried out in the year. The road improvement works are expected to complete in October 2012. The works will create about 92 jobs (involving 17 professional/technical staff and 75 labourers) and will require 1 850 worker man-months.

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