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Programme: (4) Technical Services

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Question:

In Programme (4) Technical Services, it is said that environment will be enhanced with improved streetscape, more greening and appropriate landscaping works. Will the Administration provide the following information:

- (a) The number of landscaping works completed and underway in the 18 districts territory-wide in the past three years (2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13) in table form;
- (b) The number of landscaping works expected to be carried out and completed in 2013-14, and the distribution of these works (please show in table form); and
- (c) The total financial expenditure involved in improvement on streetscape and landscaping for the year 2013-14.

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Reply:

- (a) The number of streetscape improvement and landscaping works items completed and underway in the 18 districts in the past three years is tabulated as follows:

District	Completed in			Ongoing in 2012-13
	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	
Central & Western	2	1	2	2
Eastern	17	8	7	0
Southern	17	5	12	0
Wan Chai	2	2	0	1
Kowloon City	6	5	12	2
Kwun Tong	8	15	13	3
Sham Shui Po	3	1	2	1
Yau Tsim Mong	6	6	8	4
Wong Tai Sin	3	5	6	1
Islands	6	0	1	0
Kwai Tsing	19	9	9	9
North	11	10	2	8
Sai Kung	8	7	0	2
Sha Tin	8	3	1	4
Tai Po	15	3	0	4
Tsuen Wan	16	13	1	9
Tuen Mun	9	11	8	12
Yuen Long	19	19	8	12
Total	175	123	92	74

(b) & (c) The Highways Department (HyD) will carry out tree planting, greening on highway structures, and associated landscaping works in conjunction with the construction of new road projects such as “Bus-bus Interchanges on Tuen Mun Road”, “Retrofitting of Noise Barriers on Fanling Highway (MTR Fanling Station to Wo Hing Road, and Po Shek Wu Road to MTR Fanling Station)”, “Traffic Improvements to Tuen Mun Road Town Centre Section”, “Reconstruction and Improvement of Tuen Mun Road”, and “Widening of Tolo Highways”.

In addition, the HyD will carry out minor greening and landscaping works on existing roads (e.g. tree planting), and also reconstruct existing footpaths with pavers to enhance streetscape. It is planned that in 2013-14, 121 such minor works items are to be carried out with an anticipated expenditure of \$73.7 million. The distribution of these projects by district is as follows:

District	Number of works item to commence in 2013-14 (Number expected to be completed within the same financial year)
Central & Western	5 (5)
Eastern	1 (1)
Southern	3 (1)
Wan Chai	2 (1)
Kowloon City	3 (3)
Kwun Tong	6 (6)
Sham Shui Po	6 (6)
Yau Tsim Mong	7 (7)
Wong Tai Sin	6 (6)
Islands	2 (2)
Kwai Tsing	14 (12)
North	9 (8)
Sai Kung	5 (4)
Sha Tin	4 (4)
Tai Po	7 (6)
Tsuen Wan	12 (11)
Tuen Mun	11 (10)
Yuen Long	18 (15)
Total	121 (108)

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