Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2013-14

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION

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<u>Head</u>: 60 - Highways Department <u>Subhead (No. & title)</u>:

Programme: (3) Railway Development

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Question:

For the capital projects under design and construction entrusted by the Administration to the railway corporation or other agencies in 2013-2014, what is the anticipated number of HyD staff for the monitoring of these works? What are the staffing provision and expenditure?

Asked by: Hon. LAU Wong-fat

Reply:

The Highways Department (HyD) is responsible for overseeing the implementation of various railway projects entrusted to the MTR Corporation Limited (MTRCL). The manpower requirement in the HyD responsible for such duties is met through deployment of in-house resources. The anticipated number of HyD staff for the above duties in 2013-14 is 57, who are mainly professional grade staff including engineers and building surveyors at different ranks. The annual staff cost, in terms of notional annual mid-point salary, for these staff is about \$41 million.

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Director of Highways

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