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

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Question:

Under this programme, it is said that the Administration will continue with the investigation and preliminary design for the Tuen Mun Western Bypass. Will the Administration inform this Committee of the current progress of the works above, and what is the expected date of completion?

Asked by: Hon. CHAN Wai-yip, Albert

Reply:

We are continuing with the preliminary design and the relevant impact assessments of the proposed Tuen Mun Western Bypass. During this process, we will review the technical issues arising from the project, taking into account comments raised by the public (in particular their concern over the impact of the northern viaduct section and the exit of the southern tunnel section at Tsing Tin Interchange on residents and facilities nearby), and update the related forecast traffic demand. We will continue to consult the stakeholders with a view to completing the abovementioned tasks as soon as possible.

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