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>:

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Question:

What are the works progress, expenditure and manpower involved, and the date of completion of the advance works for Tuen Mun-Chek Lap Kok Link (TM-CLKL) southern landfall reclamation? What are the works progress, expenditure and manpower involved, and the anticipated date of completion for the whole TM-CLKL project?

Asked by: Hon. KWOK Ka-ki

Reply:

With the approval of funding of \$1,909.6 million by the Legislative Council (LegCo), the advance works (reclamation works for the southern landfall) of the TM-CLKL commenced in November 2011 in conjunction with the reclamation works for the Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities. The advance works are anticipated to be completed within 2016. A team of 90 professional/technical staff and 290 workers are deployed by the consultant and contractor engaged by the Highways Department (HyD) for the advance works. The HyD has been deploying internal staff to monitor the works.

Regarding the remaining works of the TM-CLKL, we are finalising the details and will report the same to the LegCo when we apply for funding in the second quarter of 2013.

Our target is to substantially complete the southern connection of the TM-CLKL by end 2016, and the northern connection by 2018.

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