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Question:

Regarding the *Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2013-14*, the Highways Department (HyD) will continue with the detailed design for the Central Kowloon Route (CKR), which constitutes part of Route 6. What is the anticipated date for the HyD to officially seek funding approval from the Legislative Council (LegCo) on Route 6 and commence with the works? What is the progress of the remaining parts of Route 6 (including Trunk Road T2 and the project of Lam Tin - Tseung Kwan O Tunnel)? Will funding approval be sought from the LegCo in this financial year?

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Reply:

The HyD conducted Phase 2 Public Engagement for the CKR from early December 2012 to March 2013 to gather public views on the detailed design and construction arrangements for the project. The HyD is enhancing the detailed design of the project, taking into account the feedback from the public. We aim to gazette the project under the Roads (Works, Use and Compensation) Ordinance (Cap. 370) within 2013. Upon completion of the relevant statutory procedures, we will apply to the LegCo for funding in accordance with the procedures under the Public Works Programme to carry out the construction works. The current target is to start construction of the CKR in 2015.

Tseung Kwan O - Lam Tin Tunnel (TKO-LTT) and Trunk Road T2 are being taken forward by the Civil Engineering and Development Department. For TKO-LTT, the funding application for the detailed design and associated site investigation works was supported by the Panel on Transport and the Public Works Subcommittee of the LegCo on 22 February 2013 and 13 March 2013 respectively. Subject to the LegCo Finance Committee's funding approval in May 2013, we plan to start the detailed design and the associated site investigation works in late 2013 for completion in December 2016.

Regarding Trunk Road T2, the preliminary design work is in progress. Our aim is to dovetail this project with the overall programme of Route 6. Preliminary site investigation has been substantially completed. We will proceed with the detailed design and statutory gazettal procedures in due course.

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