

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
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Question:

Regarding the Central - Wan Chai Bypass and the Island Eastern Corridor Link, please advise the following:

- (a) What is the current progress of works? In which areas will the estimated expenditure of 2013-14 be spent on?
- (b) What are the estimates for sewerage and sewage disposal?
- (c) What is the anticipated maximum capacity of the road section?

Asked by: Hon. FAN Kwok-wai, Gary

Reply:

- (a) The tunnel construction works of the Central - Wan Chai Bypass and the Island Eastern Corridor Link are now in full swing with about one kilometre of road tunnel structure (out of 3.7 kilometres of tunnel) completed so far. Roadworks at both ends (i.e. Central and North Point) are also underway. The estimated expenditure in 2013-14 mainly covers the costs of construction works, site supervision and the associated consultancy fees.
- (b) The project involves some minor sewerage works with an estimated cost of about \$11 million in money-of-the day prices.
- (c) The design capacity of the Central - Wan Chai Bypass and the Island Eastern Corridor Link is 5 400 passenger car units per hour in each direction.

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