Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2013-14

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION

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<u>Director of Bureau</u>: Secretary for Transport and Housing

Question:

Regarding the projects in progress / to be commenced by the Highways Department in 2013-14, will the Administration provide the following information:

Name of project	Date of commencement	Anticipated date of completion	Project expenditure	Number of professional posts created	Number of technical posts created	Number of other posts created
Reconstruction and improvement of Tuen Mun Road						
Traffic improvements to Tuen Mun Road Town Centre Section						
Widening of Tolo Highway between Island House Interchange and Tai Hang						
Central - Wan Chai Bypass and Island Eastern Corridor Link						
Hong Kong - Zhuhai - Macao Bridge (HZMB) Main Bridge in the Mainland waters, the Hong Kong Link Road (HKLR) and the reclamation works for the Hong Kong Boundary						

Crossing Facilities			
(HKBCF) Advance reclamation			
works for the southern landfall for the Tuen Mun - Chek			
Lap Kok Link (TM-CLKL)			
Provision of barrier-free access facilities at public footbridges, elevated walkways and subways - Phase 1			
Improvement to Pok Oi Interchange			
Superstructures of the HKBCF			
Northern tunnel section and southern viaduct section of the TM-CLKL			
Widening of Tolo Highway / Fanling Highway between Island House Interchange and Fanling - Stage 2			
Road improvement works in West Kowloon Reclamation Development, Phase 1			
Retrofitting of noise barriers on Tuen Mun Road Town Centre Section			
Central Kowloon Route			
Hiram's Highway Improvement Stage 1			
Hiram's Highway Improvement Stage 2			
Widening of two sections of Lin Ma Hang Road			
Widening of Castle Peak Road - Castle Peak Bay			

Asked by: Hon. TANG Ka-piu

Reply:

	Name of project	Date of commencement	Anticipated date of completion	Project expenditure (\$ million)	Number of professional posts created	Number of technical posts created	Number of other posts created
1	Reconstruction and improvement of Tuen Mun Road	October 2008	End 2014	6,804.3	62	318	1 660
2	Traffic improvements to Tuen Mun Road Town Centre Section	December 2009	Early 2014	1,967.9	40	120	690
3	Widening of Tolo Highway between Island House Interchange and Tai Hang	August 2009	Early 2014	4,486.9	71	369	1 840
4	Central - Wan Chai Bypass and Island Eastern Corridor Link	December 2009	2017	28,104.6	352	823	5 225
	HZMB						
5	- Main Bridge	December 2009	End 2016	$9,280^{1}$	NA^2	NA^2	NA^2
6	- HKLR	May 2012	End 2016	25,047.2	140	720	3 720
7	- HKBCF – reclamation and superstructures	November 2011	End 2016	30,433.9	230	1 180	7 880
8	TM-CLKL – detailed design, site investigation and advance works	November 2011	Early 2016	1,909.6	20	70	290
9	Provision of barrier-free access facilities at public footbridges, elevated walkways and subways - Phase 1	December 2011	End 2014	292.1	13	29	82
10	Improvement to Pok Oi Interchange	November 2012	End 2015	264.8	5	13	109
11	Superstructures of the HKBCF	Same as (7)					

12	TM-CLKL – construction works	Mid 2013 (tentative)	End 2018	under planning
13	Widening of Tolo Highway / Fanling Highway between Island House Interchange and Fanling - Stage 2	Mid 2013 (tentative)	2019	under planning
14	Retrofitting of noise barriers on Tuen Mun Road Town Centre Section	Mid 2014 (tentative)	Mid 2017	under planning
15	Road improvement works in West Kowloon Reclamation Development, Phase 1	under planning		
16	Central Kowloon Route	2015 (tentative)	around 2020	under planning
17	Hiram's Highway Improvement Stage 1	under planning		
18	Hiram's Highway Improvement Stage 2	under planning		
19	Widening of two sections of Lin Ma Hang Road	under planning		
20	Widening of Castle Peak Road - Castle Peak Bay	under planning		

Note 1: The costs of the Main Bridge are shared amongst the Hong Kong (HK) Special Administrative Region (SAR), the Guangdong Province and the Macao SAR. The Estimated Project Cost given here covers the share of the costs of the Main Bridge by the HKSAR.

Note 2: The Main Bridge is constructed by the HZMB Authority in the Mainland waters.

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