

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

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Head: (60) Highways Department  
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Controlling Officer: Director of Highways (K K LAU)  
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Transport and Housing

Question (Member Question No. 39):

Regarding works contracts completed in accordance with agreed programmes, the actual performance of 2013 was 87.5%, which was lower than the target of 95%. In this connection, will the Administration inform this Committee the reasons for the under-performance in 2013, and whether the Department will enhance its efforts with a view to meeting the target in 2014; if it will, of the details?

Asked by: Hon. SHEK Lai-him, Abraham

Reply:

In 2013, seven out of eight works contracts were completed according to the agreed programme and therefore the actual performance was 87.5%. One contract was delayed because additional time was required to remove and rectify defective works.

In 2014, the Highways Department will endeavour to closely monitor the progress of works during construction in order to meet our target.