## Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2014-15

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## CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

## (Question Serial No. 2296)

<u>Head</u>: (60) Highways Department

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

<u>Programme</u>: (1) Capital Projects

<u>Controlling Officer</u>: Director of Highways (K K LAU)

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

Question (Member Question No. 34):

In 2013, the rate of works contracts completed in accordance with agreed programmes was only 87.5%, lower than the rate of 100% in 2012. Will the Administration provide reasons for this? Please use the table below to list the projects failing to complete in accordance with agreed programmes, with the reasons for failing to complete and the remedial measures.

Projects failing to complete in	Reasons for failing to	Remedial measures
accordance with agreed	complete	
programmes		

Asked by: Hon. FAN Kwok-wai, Gary

Reply:

In 2013, seven out of eight works contracts were completed according to the agreed programme and therefore the actual performance was 87.5%. The contract which experienced delay was Contract No. HY/2010/05 – "Upgrading of Tai Kong Po Access Road, Pat Heung, Yuen Long and proposed footpath across the nullah near the junction of Ngau Pei Sha Street, Shatin". The contract was delayed because additional time was required to remove and rectify defective works. The works were subsequently completed in November 2013.

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