

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (60) Highways Department
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Programme: - (1) Capital Projects
Controlling Officer: Director of Highways (K K LAU)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Transport and Housing

Question (Member Question No. 50):

Under Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2014–15 of this Programme, the Administration stated that it will monitor closely the construction progress of various key highway projects. In this connection, will the Administration inform this Committee of the operational expenditure, staff establishment and estimated salary expenditure for the aforementioned matters in the 2014-15 estimates?

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Reply:

The Highways Department (HyD) will monitor closely the construction progress of the following key highway projects, the estimated expenditure of which is about \$20 billion in 2014-15:

- (a) reconstruction and improvement of Tuen Mun Road;
- (b) traffic improvements to Tuen Mun Road Town Centre Section;
- (c) widening of Tolo Highway/Fanling Highway between Island House Interchange and Fanling - Stage 1 and Stage 2;
- (d) Central-Wan Chai Bypass and Island Eastern Corridor Link;
- (e) the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Main Bridge in the Mainland waters, the Hong Kong Link Road and the Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities;
- (f) Tuen Mun-Chek Lap Kok Link;
- (g) provision of barrier-free access facilities for public footbridges, elevated walkways and subways under the Universal Accessibility Programme; and
- (h) - improvement to Pok Oi Interchange.

The design and supervision of the construction of the projects are carried out by consultants engaged by the HyD. The HyD deploys existing staff to oversee the implementation of the projects.