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Question (Member Question No. 155):

What are the works progress, expenditure and manpower involved and the date of completion of the reclamation works for the Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities (HKBCF) of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge (HZMB)? What are the works progress, expenditure and manpower involved, and the anticipated date of completion for the whole HZMB project?

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Reply:

The expenditure and works progress of the various projects of the HZMB are as follows:

<b>Project</b>	<b>Estimated Project Cost (\$ million)</b>	<b>Works progress</b>
HZMB Main Bridge (within mainland waters)	9,280 (cost shared by the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region)	Works commenced in 2009. Under construction.
HKBCF reclamation and superstructures	30,434	Reclamation commenced in late 2011 and in progress. Design of superstructures substantially completed and tendering in progress.
Hong Kong Link Road (HKLR)	25,047	Works commenced in mid-2012. Under construction.
Tuen Mun-Chek Lap Kok Link (TM-CLKL)	46,708 <sup>1</sup>	Advance works commenced in late 2011. Main construction works commenced in mid-2013. Under construction.

Note 1: It comprises the Approved Project Estimate of Public Works Programme (PWP) Item 6846TH TM-CLKL – detailed design, site investigation and advance works of \$1,910 million, and PWP item 6857TH TM-CLKL construction works of \$44,798 million.

The HZMB Main Bridge, the HKBCF and the HKLR are scheduled for completion in 2016. The Southern Connection of the TM-CLKL is scheduled for substantial completion in 2016, while the Northern Connection is scheduled for completion in 2018.

The works of the HZMB Main Bridge are overseen by the HZMB Authority in the Mainland. The supervision of the HKBCF, the HKLR and the TM-CLKL is carried out by consultants engaged by the Highways Department (HyD). The HyD has been deploying existing staff to oversee the implementation of these projects.