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<u>Question</u> (Member Question No. 72):

Regarding that the Department has "continued with the investigation and detailed design for provision of barrier-free access facilities for public footbridges, elevated walkways and subways under the Universal Accessibility (UA) Programme", please advise:

- (a) Whether "widening of the footbridge between Fanling Railway Station and Fung Ying Seen Koon" is included therein?
- (b) If yes, what are the details?
- (c) If no, is that included in another Subhead?
- (d) If the answer to (c) is no, what are the reasons?
- (e) If the answer to (c) is yes, what are the details?

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Reply:

The UA Programme aims to provide barrier-free access facilities for public footbridges, elevated walkways and subways. Proposals to widen existing footbridge are outside the ambit of the UA Programme.

The works for the widening of the existing footbridge linking the MTR Fanling Station and Pak Wo Road have been included in the scope of the project "Provision of Columbarium at Wo Hop Shek Cemetery - Phase I" (funded under the Capital Works Reserve Fund Head 703 – Buildings). The Civil Engineering and Development Department is preparing to carry out site investigation works for the preliminary design of the footbridge widening works.