

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

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Question:

What are the works progress, expenditure and manpower involved, and the date of completion of the advance works for the Tuen Mun-Chek Lap Kok Link (TM-CLKL) southern landfall reclamation? What are the works progress, expenditure and manpower involved, and the anticipated date of completion for the whole TM-CLKL project?

Asked by: Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki (Member Question No. 227)

Reply:

The estimated total expenditure for the TM-CLKL project is \$46,708 million. This comprises the estimated expenditure for Public Works Programme (PWP) Item 6846TH "TM-CLKL - detailed design, site investigation and advance works" of \$1,910 million, and that of PWP Item 6857TH "TM-CLKL - construction works" of \$44,798 million. The Highways Department (HyD) has been deploying existing staff to oversee the implementation of the TM-CLKL project, with the assistance of consultants engaged by the HyD.

At present, the following works of the TM-CLKL are in progress:

- (a) reclamation of the Southern Landfall adjacent to the Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities Reclamation;
- (b) construction of the land and marine viaducts of the Southern Connection;
- (c) construction of the sub-sea tunnel of the Northern Connection, with the tunnel section on the Northern Landfall already completed and the first bored tunnel tube progressing under the seabed; and
- (d) construction of the toll plaza together with the approach viaducts and underpass of the Northern Connection.

The completion date of the Southern Connection will tie in with that of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Main Bridge, whilst the Northern Connection is targeted for completion in 2018.

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