Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2018-19

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Question:

Will the Government inform this Committee of the staff establishment, full year salary expenditure and operational expenditure for the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge (HZMB) Hong Kong Project Management Office (HKPMO) of the Highways Department (HyD) in 2018-19?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Chi-chuen (Member Question No. (LegCo use): 78)

Reply:

There will be a staff establishment of 128 (as at 31 March 2019) under the HZMB $HKPMO^{1}$ of the HyD. The operating expenses of the office, including staff salaries, will be about \$111 million in 2018-19.

The above staff establishment includes three proposed supernumerary directorate posts and the proposed redeployment of one permanent directorate post. The HyD proposes to retain two supernumerary directorate posts up to the end of 2019, as well as retain one supernumerary directorate post and extend the redeployment of one permanent directorate post, both up to the end of 2020. The proposal was supported by the Establishment Subcommittee of the Finance Committee (FC) and has been submitted to the FC for approval.

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¹ As the works of HZMB Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities and Hong Kong Link Road in 2018 will gradually decrease, the HyD will rename the HZMB HKPMO to Major Works Project Management Office (Special Duties) to reflect the duties of the office.