

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (60) Highways Department
Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified
Programme: (2) District and Maintenance Works
Controlling Officer: Director of Highways (Daniel K W CHUNG)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Transport and Housing

Question:

The Highways Department (HyD) is responsible for the maintenance of all public roads, including highway structures, government road tunnels, road furniture, road drainage and roadside slopes. In this regard, please advise on the following:

- (a) Does the HyD have any plan to fully resurface the tunnels managed by the Government and to implement large-scale maintenance programmes? If so, what is the timetable? If not, what are the reasons?
- (b) Does the HyD have any plan to fully resurface the highways and trunk roads managed by the Government and to implement large-scale maintenance programmes? If so, what is the timetable? If not, what are the reasons?

Asked by: Hon MO Claudia (Member Question No. (LegCo use): 108)

Reply:

(a) The programme of repaving tunnel roads is determined on the basis of the current conditions of individual tunnels. The HyD has planned to repave part of the tunnel tubes and toll plaza of Cross-Harbour Tunnel, part of the tunnel tubes and slip roads of Eastern Harbour Crossing, part of the tunnel tube of Kai Tak Tunnel, and part of the tunnel tube of Aberdeen Tunnel in 2018-19. We will continue to monitor the conditions of road pavement for various tunnels and carry out repaving works as and when necessary.

(b) The programme of road carriageway repaving works is determined on the basis of the prevailing conditions of individual roads. The bituminous pavement on different sections of expressways is resurfaced on a sequential basis at night time of weekdays throughout the year to maintain their serviceability. We will continue to monitor the conditions of road carriageway pavement and carry out repaving works as and when necessary.

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