

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**S-THB(T)001**

**(Question Serial No. S054)**

Head: (60) Highways Department  
Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified  
Programme: (2) District and Maintenance Works  
Controlling Officer: Director of Highways (Jimmy P M CHAN)  
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Transport and Housing

Question:

- (1) Subsequent to Reply Serial No. THB(T)019, the Government mentioned in the reply that the consultant for the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge (HZMB) Hong Kong Link Road (HKLR) project is Ove Arup & Partners Hong Kong Limited, with consultancy fee reaching \$40 million, while consultants for the reclamation and superstructures of HZMB Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities (HKBCF) are Ove Arup & Partners Hong Kong Limited and AECOM Asia Company Limited, with total consultancy fee as high as \$354 million. Regarding the HZMB HKBCF project, will the Government advise this Committee of the amount of consultancy fee paid to Ove Arup & Partners Hong Kong Limited and AECOM Asia Company Limited respectively?
- (2) Will the Government provide this Committee with a breakdown of consultancy fees of the two projects mentioned above, and disclose part of the contract content to explain on the works processes covered by the relevant consultancy fees?
- (3) Subsequent to Reply Serial No. THB(T)011 raised by Hon CHAN Chi-chuen, the Government stated in the reply that the additional estimated expenditure on highways maintenance for the HZMB HKLR and the HZMB Hong Kong Port in 2019-20 are \$14.4 million and \$4.4 million respectively, while the relevant recurrent expenditure is estimated at \$539.2 million. In this regard, will the Government provide this Committee with the revenue or the anticipated revenue of the HZMB in 2018-19 so as to assess whether the project could break even?

Asked by: Hon FAN Kwok-wai, Gary (LegCo internal reference no.: 53)

Reply:

(1) & (2)

<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Responsible Consultants</b>	<b>Consultancy Fee (\$ million)</b>	<b>Brief Scope of Consultancy</b>
HZMB HKBCF - Reclamation Works  - Superstructures and Infrastructures	Ove Arup & Partners Hong Kong Limited  AECOM Asia Company Limited	16 (Design Phase) 11 (Construction Phase)  196 (Design Phase) 131 (Construction Phase)	Provide consultancy services during the design and construction phases of the HZMB HKBCF reclamation works  Provide consultancy services during the design and construction phases of the HZMB HKBCF superstructures and infrastructures
HZMB HKLR	Ove Arup & Partners Hong Kong Limited	12 (Design Phase) 28 (Construction Phase)	Provide consultancy services during the design and construction phases of the HZMB HKLR

(3)

The income of the HZMB Main Bridge (including the tolls) is used to repay the bank loan and meet the expenses of its daily operation and maintenance. The toll income is not received by the Hong Kong Government. The HZMB Authority is responsible for repair, maintenance and operation of the Main Bridge. It is not appropriate for us to disclose the relevant information unilaterally.

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