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<u>Controlling Officer</u>: Director of Highways (Jimmy P M CHAN)

<u>Director of Bureau</u>: Secretary for Transport and Housing

Question:

Regarding the three hillside escalator links and elevator systems (HEL) projects in Kwai Chung which have commenced, please advise this Committee of the construction progress of the projects. Are there any changes in the completion dates? If so, what are the reasons and details? Does it involve any changes in the project costs?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Han-pan (LegCo internal reference no.: 33)

Reply:

The progress of the three HEL projects under construction in Kwai Chung are as follows:

- (a) For the Lift and Pedestrian Walkway System between Kwai Shing Circuit and Hing Shing Road, the construction work has reached an advance stage. The target completion of the project in end-2020 and the cost estimate of \$239.4 million remain unchanged.
- (b) For the Lift and Pedestrian Walkway System between Tai Wo Hau Road and Wo Tong Tsui Street, the construction works commenced in February 2019. The target completion of the project in the fourth quarter of 2021 and the cost estimate of \$249.4 million remain unchanged.
- (c) For the Lift and Pedestrian Walkway System between Castle Peak Road and Kung Yip Street, the construction works commenced in December 2019. The target completion of the project in the second quarter of 2023 and the cost estimate of \$584.4 million remain unchanged.