

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (60) Highways Department
Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified
Programme: (1) Capital Projects
Controlling Officer: Director of Highways (Jimmy P M CHAN)
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Question:

Under the Universal Accessibility (UA) Programme, retrofitting of the barrier-free access facilities is provided for existing footbridges, elevated walkways and subways. Will the Government inform this Committee of the following?

- (a) What is the specific work progress?
- (b) What is the completion rate of the programme?
- (c) Is there any definite timetable set for completion? If yes, what are the details?

Asked by: Hon KWOK Wai-keung (LegCo internal reference no.: 18)

Reply:

- (a) & (b) The Highways Department (HyD) has been implementing items under various phases of the Universal Accessibility (UA) Programme, namely the Original Programme, the Expanded Programme, the Second Phase, the Third Phase and the Special Scheme. As at end February 2023, 190 items had been completed under the Programme while 137 items were under construction. HyD has been pressing ahead with the investigation and design works of the remaining 57 items.
- (c) It is anticipated that 12 items would be completed in 2023, another 83 items by 2025 and the remaining items by 2028.

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