

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY****TLB015****(Question Serial No. 1015)**Head: (60) Highways DepartmentSubhead (No. & title): (-) Not SpecifiedProgramme: (1) Capital ProjectsControlling Officer: Director of Highways (YAU Kwok-ting)Director of Bureau: Secretary for Transport and LogisticsQuestion:

The Highways Department is responsible for implementing and improving the road network in order to cope with the increased traffic demand. What is the increase in the total length of roads in Hong Kong by year over the past five years? Please list the breakdown of the following by year:

- the total length of the roads in Hong Kong each year;
- the increase rate by year;
- the major projects that attributed to the increase;
- the respective expenditures of the relevant projects;
- how the road network will be expanded through various projects in the coming five years and the length of the roads involved?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Han-pan (LegCo internal reference no.: 32)Reply:

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The total length of the roads in Hong Kong and the increase rate by year over the past five years (2019 to 2023) are tabulated below:

	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>
Total length of public roads (km) (Note 1)	2 127	2 150	2 193	2 223	2 239
Increase rate by year (%)	-	1.1	2.0	1.4	0.7

Note 1: Only the roads maintained by the Highways Department are included.

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The major projects that attributed to the increase in road length and the relevant approved project estimates over the past five years (2019 to 2023) are tabulated below in the order of increased road length:

<b>Projects (Note 2)</b>	<b>Increase in road length (km) (Note 3)</b>	<b>Approved project estimate (\$ billion)</b>
Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Port	26.8	35.9
Tuen Mun - Chek Lap Kok Link	24.4	44.8
Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Link Road	23.5	25.05
Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point and Associated Works - Site Formation and Infrastructure Works	16.3	24.97
Central - Wan Chai Bypass and Island Eastern Corridor Link	4.5	36.04
Kai Tak Development - Infrastructure Works for Developments at the Southern Part of the Former Runway	1.3	5.76
Kai Tak Development – Stage 3A & Stage 4 Infrastructure Works at North Apron Area of Kai Tak Airport	1.1	2.26

Note 2: Only the projects with increased road length longer than 1 km are included.

Note 3: Only the roads maintained by the Highways Department are included.

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The Government has been proactively pressing ahead the implementation of transport infrastructure projects and expanding the road network in order to meet the transport demand and the city's development needs. The projects expected to be completed in the coming five years (2024 to 2028) and the anticipated increase in road length are tabulated below:

<b>Projects (Note 4)</b>	<b>Anticipated increase in road length (km) (Note 5)</b>
Central Kowloon Route	4.7
Advance Site Formation and Engineering Infrastructure Works at Kwu Tung North and Fanling North New Development Areas	4.0
Trunk Road T2 and Cha Kwo Ling Tunnel	3.4

Note 4: Only the projects with increased road length longer than 1 km are included.

Note 5: Only the roads maintained by the Highways Department are included.

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