

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY****TLB031****(Question Serial No. 2048)**

Head: (60) Highways Department  
Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational expenses  
Programme: (1) Capital Projects  
Controlling Officer: Director of Highways (YAU Kwok-ting)  
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Transport and Logistics

Question:

The "Universal Accessibility" (UA) Programme has been implemented for more than 10 years since 2012. In this connection, will the Government advise this Committee on the following:

- (a) the numbers of completed items and the total expenditures every year since the implementation of the UA Programme;
- (b) the numbers of items expected to be commenced in the future and the total expenditures;
- (c) whether the Government estimated the expenditures required for installing closed-circuit television (CCTV) cameras inside the lifts under the UA Programme? If yes, what are the details? If not, what are the reasons?

Asked by: Hon TANG Ka-piu (LegCo internal reference no.: 6)

Reply:

- (a) The Highways Department (HyD) has been pressing ahead to implement a total of 384 items under various phases of the "Universal Accessibility" (UA) Programme. As at end February 2024, a total of 202 items under the UA Programme were completed. The numbers of items completed every year are tabulated below:

<b>Year</b>	<b>Numbers of completed items</b>
2013	1
2014	9
2015	15
2016	20
2017	26
2018	40
2019	38
2020	20

<b>Year</b>	<b>Numbers of completed items</b>
2021	10
2022	10
2023	12
2024 (as at end February)	1

The total expenditure on the aforesaid completed items is about \$5.39 billion.

- (b) As at end February 2024, among the 182 items to be completed under the UA Programme, 156 items are under construction while the remaining 26 items are yet to commence. These 26 items include 20 items that are under tendering. Their construction works are anticipated to commence in mid-2024 and the total estimated cost is approximately \$540 million. The other 6 items are under planning and design. Their commencement dates for construction and estimated costs are yet to be determined.
- (c) The HyD has already installed CCTV cameras for all the lifts retrofitted under the UA Programme. The images inside the lifts are captured and transmitted to the display screens next to the entrances of the lifts for real-time playing in order to enhance the security management inside the lifts.

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