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Question:

"Continue with the provision of professional advice and support to the development of cross-boundary infrastructure and priority infrastructure projects" is stated under Matters Requiring Special Attention in the Estimates of the Drainage Services Department (DSD) for the second consecutive year. In this connection, please advise:

- the cross-boundary infrastructure involving DSD last year and in the coming year;
- the definition and effect of "priority" in "priority infrastructure projects"; whether "priority" is set by sequence; levels other than "priority"; how DSD is notified that the projects are prioritised; the specific department or bureau which categorises a project as "priority"; how DSD will deal with the case where there are two priority projects at the same time;
- the "priority infrastructure projects" undertaken by DSD last year and in the coming year?

Asked by: Hon TAM Man-ho, Jeremy (Member Question No. (LegCo use): 316)

Reply:

- The cross-boundary infrastructure involving DSD last year and in the coming year includes Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point and associated works, as well as Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge.
- Priority infrastructure projects mainly refer to certain large-scale or urgent works, such as Tuen Mun Chek Lap Kok Link and Tung Chung New Town Extension project. DSD will provide the bureaux undertaking the infrastructure projects with professional advice and support on the sewerage systems as well as sewage treatment and disposal facilities of these projects.
- The priority infrastructure projects last year and in the coming year include Tuen Mun Chek Lap Kok Link and Tung Chung New Town Extension project.