

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

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Head: 39 – Drainage Services Department Subhead (No. & title):

Programme: (1) Stormwater Drainage

Controlling Officer: Director of Drainage Services

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question: The actual value of contracts under construction for 2007 is \$3,355.9 million, which represents an increase of \$126.5 million over the estimate of \$3,229.4 million for 2007. The increase is 3.9%. Please inform this Council the reasons for such an increase in expenditure.

Asked by: Hon. CHAN Wai-yip, Albert

Reply: The increase of \$126.5 million in actual value of contracts under construction for 2007 over the estimate of \$3,229.4 million is mainly due to revisions in programme and increase in construction cost of some projects.

Signature _____

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Post Title _____ Director of Drainage Services

Date _____ 28 March 2008