

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
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Question: An aim of the Drainage Services Department is to relieve flooding, but flooding in Hong Kong Island was serious in wet seasons in recent years. Please explain:

- (a) the provision allocated by the Drainage Services Department for improvement of drainage problems of Hong Kong Island in 2009-10.
- (b) the concrete plan for the improvement of drainage problems of Hong Kong Island.

Asked by: Hon. HO Sau-lan, Cyd

Reply: (a) The Department plans to spend about \$650 million on flood protection works on Hong Kong Island in 2009-10.

(b) The Department conducted two Drainage Master Plan (DMP) studies for Hong Kong Island, one for the northern part of the Island and the other for the southern part of the Island. These studies provided comprehensive plans on improving the drainage systems on Hong Kong Island. The works recommended in these DMP studies are currently packaged into seven projects, namely,

- PWP Item 4143CD for the construction of intercepting drains at Queen's Road Central for diverting the stormwater collected in the upper catchment of Sheung Wan from getting into the downstream drainage system (substantially completed).
- PWP Item 4146CD for provision of stormwater drains in the eastern lower catchment of northern Hong Kong Island (substantially completed).
- PWP Item 4103CD for constructing the Hong Kong West drainage tunnel.
- PWP Item 4104CD for constructing stormwater drains in the western lower catchment of northern Hong Kong Island.
- PWP Item 4127CD for the construction of Sheung Wan stormwater pumping station.
- PWP Item 4158 CD for the construction of stormwater drains in Pok Fu Lam, Wah Fu, Tin Wan, Aberdeen, Wong Chuk Hang and Shek O of southern Hong Kong Island.
- PWP Item 4144CD for the construction of stormwater drains in various parts of southern Hong Kong Island.

The first two items (PWP Items 4143CD and 4146CD) have already been completed.

Construction works under the next four items (PWP Items 4103CD, 4104CD,

4127CD and 4158CD) are in progress. They will bring further improvement to the drainage systems in different parts of Hong Kong Island in phases in the next three years.

More drainage improvement works is being designed under the last item (PWP Item 4144CD) to further improve the drainage systems in the southern part of Hong Kong Island.

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