

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

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Head : 39 – Drainage Services Department      Subhead :

Programme :            (1) Stormwater Drainage

Controlling Officer : Director of Drainage Services

Director of Bureau : Secretary for Development

Question : With regard to Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2010-11, please provide the following information:

- (a) Will the Administration explain in detail the work in continuing the planning and upgrading of the stormwater drainage system, and the timetable and funding required for implementing the proposed improvement works in stages?
- (b) Will the Administration explain in detail the construction work and funding involved in continuing the construction works of drainage channels at upper Lam Tsuen River, upper Tai Po River and She Shan River in Tai Po?
- (c) Will the Administration explain in detail the number of other major flood prevention projects in flood prone areas of the New Territories under design, construction and the funding required in one year?

Asked by : Hon. CHEUNG Hok-ming

- Reply :
- (a) We are currently undertaking the planning and design of nine stormwater drainage projects in different parts of the territory. The total cost of the design works is about \$130 million. Whilst the planning and design of the advance works for the Kai Tak Nullah (from Po Kong Village Road to Tung Kwong Road) improvement works is planned to be completed in 2010-11, the planning and design for the other eight projects are expected to be completed in the subsequent years.
  - (b) The construction of drainage channels at upper Lam Tsuen River, upper Tai Po River and She Shan River in Tai Po commenced in September 2007. Up to March 2010, about 1.6 kilometres of the total 4.4 kilometres drainage channels have been completed. The approved project estimate of the project is \$426.3 million in money-of-the-day prices and about \$95 million is expected to be incurred in 2010-11.
  - (c) There are twelve stormwater drainage projects in the New Territories under construction for completion within the next three years, and the estimated expenditure in 2010-11 is about \$800 million. There are also four stormwater drainage projects in the New Territories under planning and design, and the estimated expenditure for the design is about \$1.4 million in 2010-11.

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Director of Drainage Services

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