

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
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Question : The Administration indicated that it would continue with the construction of the sewage conveyance system and commence the construction of the sewage treatment plant upgrading works under the Harbour Area Treatment Scheme stage 2A. Please advise the details of works and the expenditure involved.

Asked by : Hon. HO Chung-tai, Raymond

Reply : The sewage conveyance system for the Harbour Area Treatment Scheme stage 2A (HATS stage 2A) mainly consists of tunnels of a total length of about 21 kilometres running from Apleichau to Sheung Wan, from North Point to Sheung Wan and from Sheung Wan to the Stonecutters Island. The sewage treatment plant upgrading works for the HATS stage 2A mainly involve the upgrading of eight preliminary treatment works on Hong Kong Island along the route of the sewage conveyance system, and the construction of a new main pumping station, additional treatment facilities and associated works, new disinfection facilities, and upgrading of sludge treatment and transportation facilities at the Stonecutters Island sewage treatment works.

The construction of the sewage conveyance system and other advance works commenced in July 2009 for completion in 2014. The estimated expenditure in 2010-11 is \$1,887 million. The funding application for the stage 2A remaining works for the upgrading of Stonecutters Island sewage treatment works and preliminary treatment works was endorsed by the Public Works Subcommittee in February 2010 and will be submitted to the Finance Committee for approval in April 2010. Construction works are scheduled to start in mid 2010 with an estimated expenditure of \$550 million in 2010-11.

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