

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2011-12

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

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Programme : (1) Stormwater Drainage

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Question :

Under Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2011–12, it is stated that the Department will continue with the construction of drainage channels at upper Lam Tsuen River, upper Tai Po River and She Shan River at Tai Po. What are the scheduled completion dates for the above works? During the rainy season in 2011, what short-term measures will be implemented to reduce the possibility of flooding in nearby villages due to construction works?

Asked by : Hon. CHAN Hak-kan

Reply :

The river improvement works at upper Lam Tsuen River, upper Tai Po River and She Shan River in Tai Po are scheduled for completion by mid 2012. The rivers will have been widened and deepened substantially before the onset of the rainy season in 2011 and Drainage Services Department will arrange to remove all construction materials and temporary works within the rivers. In the interim, we will protect the partially completed river banks against erosion and will provide additional drainage pipes underneath the existing crossings to avoid blockages.

Signature _____

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