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Question:

Regarding the stormwater drainage matters, please inform this Committee of:

- a) the progress of the review of the drainage master plans for Kowloon, the expenditure involved, the estimated completion date and relevant improvement works or projects (if applicable);
- b) the progress of the design and relevant works of the reconstruction and rehabilitation of Kai Tak Nullah; and
- c) the progress of the design of the improvement work for the Yuen Long Town centre nullah.

Asked by: Hon. WONG Pik-wan, Helena

Reply:

- a) There are two ongoing drainage master plan review studies in Kowloon, one for West Kowloon and the other for East Kowloon. Both studies commenced in January 2012 for completion by end 2014. Surveys to investigate the existing conditions of the drainage system have been completed and the hydraulic models are being updated. The total estimated costs for the studies, including consultancy fees and the associated surveys and site investigations, are \$13.7 million and \$13.4 million respectively.
- b) Reconstruction and rehabilitation of Kai Tak Nullah are being implemented in stages under four projects. The progress of the design and improvement works of each project is as follows:
 - (i) The advance works of Kai Tak Nullah comprising the construction of a box culvert at Prince Edward Road East and widening of a section of Choi Hung Road commenced in August 2010 for completion by end 2013.

- (ii) The improvement works to Kai Tak Nullah at the upstream reach from Po Kong Village Road to Tung Kwong Road commenced in October 2011 for phased completion by 2017.
 - (iii) The improvement works to Kai Tak Nullah at the downstream reach within Kai Tak Development area commenced in January 2013 for phased completion by 2018.
 - (iv) The design of the improvement works at the midstream reach from Tung Kwong Road to Prince Edward Road East will be completed in mid 2013. We plan to commence the improvement works in end 2013 for completion in 2017.
- c) The investigation study and preliminary design of the improvement works for the Yuen Long Town centre nullah project have been completed. The detailed design of the stage 1 improvement works commenced in December 2012 for completion by end 2013.

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