## Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2013-14

## CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION

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## Question:

According to the Administration, the review of drainage master plans for Tai Po, Shatin and Sai Kung will commence in 2013-14. In this connection, please advise on:

- a) the details of the abovementioned review. What are the expected dates of completion? To what extent will the drainage capacity be improved upon completion?
- b) the number of flooding blackspots in the territory over the past three years (i.e. in 2010, 2011 and 2012). Of which, how many are located in Tai Po, Shatin and Sai Kung? What are the exact locations of these blackspots?
- c) the number of drainage works being carried out in Tai Po, Shatin and Sai Kung by the Administration over the past three years (i.e. in 2010, 2011 and 2012) and the details of these works.

Asked by: Hon. CHAN Hak-kan

## Reply:

- a) The drainage master plan reviews are being conducted under two studies, one for Tai Po and the other for Shatin and Sai Kung. Both studies commenced in February 2013 for completion by 2015. These studies will formulate drainage improvement works to address identified drainage deficiencies in the study areas. It is anticipated that upon completion of the proposed drainage improvement works, the capacity of the drainage systems will be improved to the current standard as far as practicable.
- b) Number of flooding blackspots over the past three years are set out below:

	2010	2011	2012
Total Number in the Territory	18	16	15
Total Number in Tai Po, Shatin and Sai Kung	5	5	4

The locations of flooding blackspots in Tai Po, Shatin and Sai Kung in the past three years are listed as follows -

District	Location
Tai Po	Lam Tsuen Valley Basin
Tai Po	Ting Kok Road - Shuen Wan Chim UK to Wong Yue Tan
Tai Po	Tung Tsz Road
Shatin	Ha Wo Che Village, Ha Wo Che
Sai Kung	Ho Chung River*

<sup>\*</sup> Ho Chung River is no longer a flooding blackspot in 2012.

- c) The drainage improvement projects carried out in Tai Po, Shatin and Sai Kung over the past three years from 2010 to 2012 are as follows -
  - PWP Item No. 4152CD involving the upgrading of Lam Tsuen River and She Shan River commenced in September 2007 and was completed in December 2012; and
  - PWP Item No. 4109CD involving the construction of a box culvert along Tung Tsz Road and a stormwater pumping station in Shuen Wan commenced in February 2009 for completion in early 2014.

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