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Question:

Regarding the consultancy study for revitalisation of water bodies under this programme, please advise this Committee on the details of the work, the progress and the value of the agreement.

Asked by: Hon WU Chi-wai (Member Question No. 113)

Reply:

The Drainage Services Department commenced a consultancy study on revitalisation of water bodies in December 2015 to review major river channels in Hong Kong and to evaluate their circumstances such as geographical location, aesthetics, ecological value, degree of public enjoyment and technical feasibility so as to explore practicable revitalisation proposals. The results of the study will serve as a reference when carrying out large-scale drainage improvement works and planning drainage networks for new development areas. The consultancy study is scheduled for completion by early 2018. The estimated expenditure of the consultancy study is \$17.9 million.

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