

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY****DEVB(W)189****(Question Serial No. 4397)**Head: (39) Drainage Services DepartmentSubhead (No. & title): Not specifiedProgramme: (1) Stormwater DrainageControlling Officer: Director of Drainage Services (LO Kwok-wah)Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development**Question:**

The Drainage Services Department has been implementing drainage improvement works in various districts. Please advise this Committee of the following:

- the progress and timetable for current or future drainage improvement works in various districts;
- the reported flooding locations over the past three years;
- any improvement measures for reported flooding locations. If yes, what are the details?

Asked by: Hon LUK Chung-hung (LegCo internal reference no.: 41)**Reply:**

- In addition to daily maintenance and repair works, the Drainage Services Department (DSD) is implementing drainage improvement works under the two projects mentioned in Table 1 below. Subject to the Finance Committee's (FC's) funding approval by mid-2019, DSD plans to commence drainage improvement works under the six projects mentioned in Table 2 below in late 2019 or early 2020.

Table 1: Drainage improvement projects underway

<b>Public Works Programme Item</b>	<b>District</b>
108CD – West Kowloon Drainage Improvement – Inter-Reservoirs Transfer Scheme ( <i>Q1 2019 to Q4 2022</i> )	Sham Shui Po
180CD – Rehabilitation of Underground Stormwater Drains – Stage 1 ( <i>Q4 2018 to Q4 2022</i> )	Whole territory

Table 2: Drainage improvement projects subject to FC's funding approval

<b>Public Works Programme Item</b>	<b>District</b>
118CD – Drainage Improvement in Northern New Territories – Package B (Remaining Works) ( <i>Q4 2019 to Q1 2022</i> )	North
144CD (part) – Drainage Improvement in Southern Hong Kong Island – Package 2A ( <i>Q4 2019 to Q4 2023</i> )	Southern
163CD – Drainage Improvements Works at Ngong Ping ( <i>Q4 2019 to Q1 2022</i> )	Islands

<b>Public Works Programme Item</b>	<b>District</b>
166CD (part) – Drainage Improvement Works at Yuen Long - Stage 1 ( <i>Q1 2020 to Q3 2022</i> )	Yuen Long
171CD – Revitalisation of Tsui Ping River ( <i>Q4 2019 to Q4 2023</i> )	Kwun Tong
172CD – Rehabilitation of Underground Stormwater Drains – Stage 2 ( <i>Q1 2020 to Q3 2024</i> )	Yau Tsim Mong, Kowloon City, Sham Shui Po, Wong Tai Sin, Kwai Tsing & Tsuen Wan

- b) In the past three years, there have been about 280 flooding cases reported to DSD. About 50% of them occurred in North, Yuen Long, Tai Po and Shatin districts.
- c) DSD will inspect and maintain drains in Hong Kong to ensure their proper functioning before and during the wet season. Further, the department will examine areas with past flooding records and formulate appropriate drainage improvement measures through drainage studies, including the substantially completed Drainage Master Plan Review for North and Yuen Long districts and the one for Tai Po and Shatin districts. It will implement all drainage improvement measures, like the ones shown in Tables 1 and 2 above, in a timely manner. Where necessary, it will also deploy emergency response teams to carry out urgent flood relief measures.

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