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Question:

Systematic Drainage in the New Territories

Regarding systematic drainage in rural areas in the New Territories, would the Government inform this Committee:

- 1. whether the information on the proposed systematic drainage works in the New Territories can be provided in table form by district;
- 2. of the number of systematic drainage works completed in the New Territories for the past 5 years; and
- 3. whether there are any measures and timetables for improvement to those villages without any satisfactory drainage systems?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Yuet-ming (LegCo internal reference no.: 17)

Reply:

Our reply to the Member's question is as follows:

1. The information on the drainage improvement works currently being carried out by the Drainage Services Department (DSD) for the New Territories is tabulated below:

Public Works Project	District	
1. Drainage Improvement Works at Yuen Long – Stage 2	Yuen Long	
2. Drainage Improvement Works at Yuen Long (Remaining Works)	Tuell Long	
3. Drainage Improvement in Northern New Territories - Drainage Improvement Works in San Tin - Remaining Works		
4. Drainage Improvement Works at North District - Phase 1	North	
5. Drainage Improvement Works at North District - Remaining Works		
6. Drainage Improvement Works in Ta Kwu Ling		

Public Works Project	District
7. Drainage Improvement Works in Sha Tin and Sai Kung	Sha Tin and Sai Kung
8. Drainage Improvement Works in Tai Po	Tai Po
9. Drainage Improvement Works in Tsuen Wan and Kwai Tsing	Tsuen Wan and Kwai Tsing
10. Drainage Improvement Works in Tuen Mun	Tuen Mun
11. Drainage Improvement Works in Mui Wo	Islands

2. The information on the drainage improvement works completed by the DSD for the New Territories in the past 5 years is tabulated below:

Public Works Project	District	Completion Date
1. Drainage Improvement in Northern New Territories - Package B (Remaining Works)	North	2022 Q4
2. Drainage Improvement Works at Yuen Long - Stage 1	Yuen Long	2023 Q1

3. In the New Territories, the DSD has not only completed river training works involving some 110 kilometres of channels, but also implemented 27 village flood protection schemes for low-lying villages. Upon completion of the above flood protection works, the villages have benefited from the improved flood prevention capacity and experienced no more extensive flooding ever since. At present, the DSD is implementing in phases a series of drainage improvement works (see the first part of the reply) to reduce the flood risk of the rural areas concerned.