

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Question:

According to the key performance indicators under this Programme, the estimated expenditure on studies and other tasks carried out by consultants in 2024 will be \$607.3 million, which is considerably higher than the actual expenditure in 2023 by more than 50%. In this connection, will the Government advise this Committee of the following:

- (a) What are the details of the studies to be carried out by consultants in 2024? and
- (b) What is the ground based upon for the increase in the estimated expenditure in 2024?

Asked by: Hon LOONG Hon-biu, Louis (LegCo internal reference no.: 13)

Reply:

- (a) The details of the studies to be carried out by consultants under the Programme of Railway Development in 2024 are as follows:

	Studies carried out by consultants
Studies commenced before 2024	1. Shatin to Central Link (SCL) - Monitoring and Verification for Construction, Testing and Commissioning Phase - Investigation
	2. Shatin to Central Link (SCL) Professional Services in connection with the Service Concession for the Operation of the SCL - Investigation
	3. Strategic Study on Railways beyond 2030
	4. Consultancy study on Checking Design for Tung Chung Line Extension Project
	5. Consultancy study on Independent Checking of the Financial Arrangement of Tuen Mun South Extension Project - Investigation
	6. Stage 2 Study of Hong Kong - Shenzhen Western Rail Link (Hung Shui Kiu - Qianhai)
	7. Consultancy study on Independent Checking of the Financial Arrangement of Kwu Tung Station on East Rail Line - Investigation

	Studies carried out by consultants
	8. Consultancy study on Independent Checking of the Financial Arrangement of Hung Shui Kiu Station Project - Investigation
Studies to be commenced by 2024	9. Consultancy study on Independent Checking of the Financial Arrangement of Northern Link Main Line Project - Investigation
	10. Consultancy Services for Risk Assessment in relation to Project Supervision, Monitoring and Checking for Tuen Mun South Extension, Northern Link Phase 1 Kwu Tung Station and Hung Shui Kiu Station Projects - Investigation
	11. Consultancy Services for Risk Assessment in relation to Project Supervision, Monitoring and Checking for Tung Chung Line Extension, Oyster Bay Station and Airport Railway Extended Overrun Tunnel Projects - Investigation
	12. Smart and Green Mass Transit System in East Kowloon - Investigation and Design

- (b) The estimated expenditure of the studies and other tasks carried out by consultants in 2024 is higher than the actual expenditure in 2023. It is mainly due to the addition of four studies in 2024.

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