

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO  
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Head: 701 Land Acquisition

Subhead (No. & title): 1100CA Compensation and ex-gratia allowances in respect of projects in the Public Works Programme

Programme:

Controlling Officer: Director of Lands

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Question : Regarding Subhead 1100CA "Compensation and ex-gratia allowances in respect of projects in the Public Works Programme", the estimated amount for 2006-07 will increase drastically by more than double when compared with the revised estimate for 2005-06. Why? What major compensation and ex-gratia items are expected to be paid in 2006-07?

Asked by: Hon. LAU Chin-shek

Reply:

The increase in the 2006-07 estimate for Subhead 1100CA is mainly caused by the deferment of a number of Public Works Programme projects from 2005-06 to 2006-07. The following are the major items involving compensation and ex-gratia items expected to be paid in 2006-07 to the owners for the resumption of private land based on the zonal ex-gratia compensation rates -

1. Resumption of land for Tai Po development – formation and servicing of Area 12 (part) and 39 phase 2A;
2. Drainage improvement in Northern New Territories – package B, phase 3 (drainage works);
3. Resumption of land for Yuen Long, Kam Tin, Ngau Tam Mei and Tin Shui Wai drainage improvement, stage 1 phase 2B – Kam Tin (work package D) – drainage improvement works to Cheung Po, Ma On Kong and Yuen Kong San Tsuen in Pat Heung, Yuen Long;
4. Drainage improvement in Northern New Territories – package C – phase 1;
5. Drainage improvement in Northern New Territories – package A, stage 2 – road works ancillary to drainage improvement works in Kau Lung Hang, Yuen Leng, Nam Wah Po and Tai Hang Areas;
6. Drainage improvement in Northern New Territories – package B, phase 3 (road works);
7. Drainage improvement in Southern Lantau;

8. Resumption of land for Yuen Long, Kam Tin, Ngau Tam Mei and Tin Shui Wai drainage improvement, stage 1, phase 2B - Kam Tin (works package C) – drainage improvement works to Cheung Chun San Tsuen and Kam Tsin Wai; and
9. Drainage improvement in Northern New Territories - package A, stage 2 – drainage improvement works in Kau Lung Hang, Yuen Leng, Nam Wah Po and Tai Hang Areas.

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