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Head: 33 Civil Engineering and Development Department Subhead (No. & title):

Programme: (3) Provision of Land and Infrastructure

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Question :

For the provision of land and infrastructure by the Civil Engineering and Development Department, the expenditure on construction for land formation and infrastructure decreased from over \$4 billion in 2005 to over \$2.49 billion in 2006. The estimated expenditure for 2007 is further reduced to over \$1.895 billion. What are the reasons?

Asked by : Hon. LAU Sau-shing, Patrick

Reply :

The reduction is due to the completion of or partial completion of a number of major projects in 2005 and 2006 as follows :-

Projects completed in 2005

- (a) Engineering works for back-up area and infrastructure for Container Terminal No. 9;
- (b) Trunk Road T7 in Ma On Shan; and
- (c) A number of flood protection projects in the North West New Territories.

Projects partially completed in 2006

- (a) Route 8 Sha Tin Section;
- (b) Route 9 (Tsuen Wan Section between Shek Wai Kok and Chai Wan Kok);
- (c) Road T3 in Sha Tin; and
- (d) Land formation for the development in Jordan Valley near Choi Wan Road.

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