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Question :

Regarding the indicator “road constructed/widened for development”, it is estimated that the roads constructed/widened will be reduced from 16 795 metres in 2006 to 9 164 metres in 2007-08. What are the grounds for the drastic reduction? What are the details of the works? What is the manpower and how much provision is involved?

Asked by : Hon. WONG Kwok-hing

Reply :

The reduction for the 2007 estimate as compared with the actual performance in 2006 for the indicator of “road constructed/widened for development” is mainly due to completion in 2006 of major road works in Yuen Long, Kam Tin and San Tin areas, and a significant portion of road works in Jordan Valley near Choi Wan Road and the Route 9 (Tsuen Wan Section between Shek Wai Kok and Chai Wan Kok) project. We will continue to construct/widen 9 164 metres of roads in 2007 mainly in Sha Tin (Road T3 – Tai Wai Section and Route 8 – Sha Tin Heights Tunnel and Approaches), Pak Shek Kok and the remaining portion of road works in Jordan Valley near Choi Wan Road and Route 9 between Shek Wai Kok and Chai Wan Kok project. For the road works in 2007, a capital expenditure of \$217 million and manpower input of six professional and four technical staff will be involved.

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