

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO  
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

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Head: 701 Land Acquisition

Subhead (No. & title): 1004CA Compensation for surrenders and resumptions: miscellaneous & 1100CA Compensation and ex-gratia allowances in respect of projects in the Public Works Programme

Programme:

Controlling Officer: Director of Lands

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Housing, Planning and Lands

Question: Under Land Acquisition for Capital Works Reserve Fund – Block Allocation Projects, no approved project estimate is provided. But it is estimated that in 2007-08 an allocation of about \$1,860 million will be required for compensation and ex-gratia allowances in respect of projects in the Public Works Programme, and about \$20 million will be required for compensation for surrenders and resumptions (miscellaneous). Please advise the details of these two expenditure items.

Asked by: Hon. LAU Sau-shing, Patrick

Reply:

The two subheads are among the block allocations under the Capital Works Reserve Fund. Their funding commitments are approved by the Finance Committee on an annual basis. The following major projects will involve compensation under Subhead 1004CA and Subhead 1100CA in the 2007-08 estimate:

**Subhead 1004CA**

1. Resumption of Inverness Road Squatter Area, Kowloon City;
2. Urban Improvement Scheme at Ma Tau Kok Road, Pak Tai Street, Pau Chung Street, San Shan Road, Sui Lun Street and Wang Cheung Street;
3. Redevelopment of the squatter area at Diamond Hill for public housing development and schools;
4. Resumption of Tung Chung Area 30, public housing development, Tung Chung New Town Development, Lantau;
5. Resumption of land for Home Ownership Scheme development at Siu Lek Yuen, Sha Tin New Town Area 36C; and

6. Resumption of land for phase 2B of the Tung Chung New Town Development Area 31, Lantau.

**Subhead 1100CA**

1. Resumption of land for Tai Po development – formation and servicing of Area 12 (part) and 39 phase 2A;
2. Drainage improvement in Tai Po package C – the proposed improvement works in Upper Lam Tsuen River, She Shan River and Upper Tai Po River;
3. Drainage improvement in Tai Po – road works ancillary to the proposed river improvement works in Upper Lam Tsuen River, She Shan River and Upper Tai Po River;
4. 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;
5. Drainage improvement in the Northern New Territories – package C (phase 2) - drainage improvement works at Tai Po Tin and Ping Che of Ta Kwu Ling and Man Uk Pin and Lin Ma Hang of Sha Tau Kok;
6. Drainage improvement in Northern New Territories package C (phase 1) – drainage improvement works at Lung Yeuk Tau, Kwan Tei, Tan Shan River and Leng Tsai, Fanling;
7. Drainage improvement in Southern Lantau; and
8. Development of a bathing beach at Lung Mei, Tai Po.

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