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Question:

It was originally estimated that 12.18 hectares (ha) of land would be resumed for Public Works Programme projects in 2015, but it turned out that only 0.78 ha were actually resumed. Why is there a great difference between the two figures? It is estimated that 11.7 ha of land will be resumed in 2016. What are the locations of the land to be resumed and the estimated expenditure on land resumption?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Hak-kan (Member Question No. 2)

Reply:

The difference in actual area resumed in 2015 from the forecast is mainly due to the deferment in implementation of a number of projects from 2015 to 2016, including the Yuen Long and Kam Tin Sewerage Treatment Upgrade – Upgrading of San Wai Sewage Treatments Works, the Northeast New Territories Landfill Extension, and the Dualling of Hiram's Highway between Clear Water Bay Road and Marina Cove and Improvement to Local Access to Ho Chung.

For 2016, the land estimated to be resumed is distributed across Hong Kong Island (about 0.23 hectares (ha)), Kowloon (about 0.007 ha), North (about 2.78 ha), Sai Kung (about 1.118 ha), Sha Tin (about 0.093 ha), Tuen Mun (about 0.516 ha), Tai Po (about 0.975 ha), Yuen Long (about 5.915 ha), and outlying islands (about 0.067 ha). The total expenditure for land resumption in respect of these projects is estimated to be about \$1,519 million.

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