

LCQ21: Expenditure on consultancy fees for public works projects

Following is a question by the Hon Tony Tse and a written reply by the Secretary for Development, Mr Michael Wong, in the Legislative Council today (June 27):

Question:

Regarding the consultancy fees for the design stage in respect of public works projects implemented by works departments with funding approved in the past three years, will the Government inform this Council of the respective titles of the projects in respect of which the awarded prices of consultancy agreements (design stage) were (i) 20 per cent to less-than-30 per cent higher, (ii) 30 per cent-or-above higher, (iii) 20 per cent to less-than-30 per cent lower, and (iv) 30 per cent-or-above lower, than the original estimates; in respect of each project, the estimated costs as well as the nature of and fees for the consultancy services concerned?

Reply:

President,

My reply to the Hon Tony Tse's question is as follows :

For public works projects approved in the past three years, where the difference between the awarded prices of consultancy agreements (design stage) and the original estimated consultancy fees is higher or lower than 20 per cent, the information including the title of the construction project, the approved project estimate and the nature and awarded prices of the associated consultancy agreements is set out at the Annex.