

Supplementary Information on
FCR(2012-13)17 : Ex-gratia allowances for fishermen affected by
marine works projects in Hong Kong waters
for the FC Meeting on 27 April 2012

As requested by the FC Chairman at the pre-meeting briefing with the Administration on 25 April 2012, supplementary information on the basis for working out the financial implication of the proposed new formula for calculating the ex-gratia allowance (EGA) for fishermen affected by marine works projects in Hong Kong waters (paragraph 9 of FCR(2012-13)17) is appended below.

2. The maximum EGA of \$59.6 million payable to eligible fishermen is the total sum of EGA arising from the known major public marine works projects commencing in the next five years. The EGA for each marine works project is calculated on the basis of the total value of annual fish catch from the affected area¹ with a multiplier of eleven years or five years for a project causing a permanent loss of fishing grounds or temporary loss of fishing grounds, respectively.

3. A breakdown for the EGA contributed by the known major public marine works projects commencing in the next five years (having taken into account the estimated size of permanent and temporary loss of fishing ground due to each of the projects) is provided below:

¹ The value of annual fish catch is calculated based on the data from the Port Survey conducted by the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department in 1989/91 and adjusted with fish price movement since then.

Projects	Estimated EGA amount based on new formula* (\$ million)
Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macau Bridge Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities	\$25.0
Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macau Bridge Hong Kong Link Road	\$11.2
Tuen Mun - Chek Lap Kok Link	\$5.1
Dredging, management and capping of contaminated sediment disposal facility to the south of The Brothers ²	\$7.9
Integrated Waste Management Facilities at Shek Kwu Chau ²	\$5.0
Providing Sufficient Water Depth for Kwai Tsing Container Basin and Its Approach Channel ²	\$3.7
Development of a Bathing Beach at Lung Mei, Tai Po ²	\$0.9
Kai Tak Development – Kai Tak Approach Channel and Kwun Tong Typhoon Shelter Improvement Works	\$0.8
Total	\$59.6

*Note: EGA have been adjusted with fish price movement up to August 2011 and a 10% contingency.

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² Implementation of the projects is subject to Finance Committee's funding approval.