

**Panel on Transport**  
**Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways**

**List of outstanding items for discussion**  
(as at 24 October 2013)

<b>Items</b>	<b>Proposed timing for discussion</b>
<b>Railway projects under construction</b>	
1. <b>Progress and financial situation of the construction of the Hong Kong section of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link ("XRL")</b>	To be confirmed

At the Subcommittee meeting on 16 April 2010, the Administration advised that the Subcommittee would be updated on the construction of the project at six-month intervals. The Subcommittee discussed the sixth progress report [LC Paper No. CB(1)1108/12-13(01)] on 24 May 2013. The seventh progress report for the period between 1 January and 30 June 2013 [LC Paper No. CB(1)81/13-14(01)] was circulated to members on 17 October 2013.

Other than the progress and financial situation of the construction of the Hong Kong section of XRL, Mrs Regina IP requested the Administration to provide information on the co-location arrangement of immigration and customs facilities at the control point to be built for XRL.

At the Panel on Transport meeting on 10 October 2013, Dr KWOK Ka-ki expressed concern over the work injuries arising from the compression of works of the Hong Kong section of XRL and suggested that the matter should be discussed by the Subcommittee. Where necessary, members of the Panel on Manpower could be invited to join the discussion.

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| <b>2. Progress and financial situation of the construction of West Island Line, South Island Line (East), Kwun Tong Line Extension and Shatin to Central Link</b> | To be confirmed                           |

At the work plan meeting of the Subcommittee held on 19 December 2012, the Administration upon request of the Chairman agreed to provide a progress report on other railway projects under construction, including West Island Line, South Island Line (East), Kwun Tong Line Extension and Shatin to Central Link, for Subcommittee members' reference.

### **Operating railway lines**

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| <b>3. Rail inspection regime of the MTR Corporation Limited</b>   | To be confirmed |
| <p>The Administration proposed to discuss the MTRCL's rail inspection regime in May 2013. This was, however, deferred to a later meeting to be fixed.</p> |                 |
| <b>4. Retrofitting of automatic platform gates ("APGs") along the East Rail Line ("EAL")</b>  | January 2014    |

Proposed by Mr WONG Kwok-hing at the meeting held on 30 November 2012. He raised concern over a recent railway incident involving a passenger fallen onto the track by accident at the platform of the University Station of EAL on 18 November 2012. He considered that the Administration/MTRCL should provide a report on this incident and the progress of retrofitting works of APGs along the EAL.

The Administration has been requested to provide a report on the incident and an information paper on this subject matter for members' reference.

**Items**

**Proposed timing  
for discussion**

**5. Compensation to victims of accidents occurred in the MTR network**

To be confirmed

Proposed by Mr TANG Ka-piu at the meeting held on 30 November 2012. He expressed concern that the passengers sustained injuries in accidents occurred in the MTR heavy rail network were not entitled to the assistance under the Traffic Accident Victims Assistance Scheme. He opined that a compensation mechanism should be put in place to better protect the interests of MTR passengers.

The Administration has been requested to provide an information paper on this subject matter for members' reference.

**Other**

**6. Light Rail network**

To be confirmed

Proposed by Mr Michael TIEN at the meeting held on 30 November 2012. He considered that the carrying capacity of Light Rail had been saturated and further increase in train fleet might adversely affect the road traffic condition of the districts concerned. He suggested that the Administration should conduct a comprehensive review on the operation and development of Light Rail network.