

Public Works Subcommittee

Motion moved at the meeting on 10 February 2015

Hon Gary FAN Kwok-wai moved the following motion under paragraph 32A of the Public Works Subcommittee Procedure. The terms of the motion are as follows -

"That, as only land owners and registered squatter households could receive huge compensation in past compensation packages for land resumption under the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link project and the Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point project, and the remaining ineligible households, such as non-indigenous residents, could only receive a one-off special ex-gratia allowance approved at the discretion of the Secretary for Transport and Housing in the absence of protection in terms of policy even if they had, like Choi Yuen Tsuen villagers, settled down for more than 40 years, this Subcommittee suggests that the Government should study ways to improve the compensation model for land resumption in new development areas so that non-indigenous residents who have lived in the area for many years can also receive the same compensation as land owners do, in order to prevent a recurrence of the situation where Choi Yuen Tsuen villagers could not receive support from the Government even though they faced difficulties in planning to build a new village after receiving the one-off compensation."
(Translation)