

**Finance Committee**

**Follow-up to meeting on 5 January 2018**

Regarding the information requested by Members, the replies given by the Administration are as follows –

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- (a) **Please confirm whether the contractor engaged in the floor finishes installation for the M+ project has paid their workers their salary and material costs as scheduled (Requested by Hon Tam Man-ho, Jeremy; meeting time: 16:17:15);**

The West Kowloon Cultural District Authority (WKCDA) clarifies that the main contractor working on the M+ project has not commenced “floor finishes installation” on the M+ building site. It appears that the question raised is actually in relation to the formwork installation for the main structural floors (formwork installation) being carried out by one of the main contractor’s sub-contractors. As the Chief Executive Officer of WKCDA indicated during the meeting, WKCDA has no contractual relationship with the main contractor’s sub-contractors or with the workers employed by them. Nevertheless, WKCDA still monitors closely whether or not sub-contractors received payments in a timely manner for the work done by them.

According to WKCDA’s records, payments for the work done as assessed by its Consultant Contract Administrator and Independent Quantity Surveying Consultant with respect to the formwork installation project under the main contract have been duly made to the sub-contractor. The sub-contractor concerned has also confirmed that there is no outstanding salary payable to its staff.

WKCDA will continue to monitor the payment position on the M+ project to ensure that the main contractor and its sub-contractors receive payments for the assessed work done within the payment periods set out in the contract and make the necessary payments of the salary and other related costs to the relevant staff.

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