

**LegCo Panel on Housing**  
**Follow-up to Special Meeting on 1 September 1999**

**Landslip near Shek Kip Mei Estate**

The Administration's records do not show any concrete spray works or other works being carried out in 1996 on slope No.11NW-B/C90 at Shek Kip Mei. Although a Geotechnical Engineering Office (GEO) inspection report of September 1996 recorded concrete spray works at the southern end of the toe of slope No. 11NW-B/C90, that the inspection was made in 1996 does not necessarily mean that the works were carried out in 1996.

However, in 1995, at the request of GEO, the Highways Department (HyD) did carry out urgent repairs to damage on slope No. 11NW-B/C90 caused by three boulders falling from the top of the slope. The remedial works included debris removal, splitting and removal of the boulders, sealing of the damaged surfaces of the slope with chunam and fencing works around a concrete apron constructed at the slope, but no concrete spray works were carried out. HyD is not responsible for the maintenance of this slope, but it carries out urgent repairs for slopes on unallocated government land upon GEO's recommendation.

Based on site observations made after the landslide on 25 August 1999, the landslide involved the whole of the slope including the shotcreted portion near the toe of the slope. The causes of the failure are being investigated and the results will be available in around March 2000.