Panel on Transport Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways

List of outstanding items for discussion

(as at 2 May 2014)

Items

Proposed timing for discussion

Railway projects under construction

1. Progress and financial situation of the construction of the Hong Kong section ("HKS") of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link ("XRL")

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. In October 2013, the Administration submitted the seventh half-yearly report for the period between 1 January and 30 June 2013 to the Subcommittee. The Administration is requested to brief the Subcommittee the latest position of the construction of HKS of XRL at its next meeting to be held on 5 May 2014.

Mrs Regina IP and Mr Frankie YICK requested at the Subcommittee meetings on 30 November 2012 and 25 October 2013 respectively the Administration to provide information on the arrangement to co-locate immigration and customs facilities for both the Mainland and the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region at the Hong Kong Station of XRL.

5 May 2014

To be confirmed

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2. Progress and financial situation of the construction of West Island Line, South Island Line (East) ("SIL(E)"), Kwun Tong Line Extension and Shatin to Central Link

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, SIL(E), Kwun Tong Line Extension and Shatin to Central Link, for Subcommittee members' reference.

At the Subcommittee meeting held on 25 October 2013, Mr Gary FAN requested the Administration to provide the information submitted to it by MTRCL pertaining to the train design and safe operation for SIL(E).

Operating railway lines

3. Compensation to victims of accidents occurred in the MTR network

To be confirmed

Proposed by Mr TANG Ka-piu at the Subcommittee 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.

4. Enhancement of the current facilities in MTR stations

To be confirmed

Proposed by Mr Christopher CHUNG at the Subcommittee meeting held on 25 October 2013 and in his letter [LC Paper

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No. CB(1)311/13-14(01)]. He suggested that MTRCL should enhance the current facilities in MTR stations. At the Subcommittee meeting on 22 November 2013, Mr TANG Ka-piu supplemented that barrier-free access and facilities in MTR stations should also be enhanced.

Others

5. Light Rail network

To be confirmed

Proposed by Mr Michael TIEN at the Subcommittee 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.

6. Railway development

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Proposed by Messrs WONG Kwok-hing and Christopher CHUNG at the Subcommittee meeting held on 25 October 2013. They requested the Administration to update the Subcommittee the progress of the 7 local enhancement schemes as set out in the Administration's Stage 2 Public Engagement Exercise of the review and update of Railway Development Strategy 2000. The Administration plans to brief members on the latest status of railway development.

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