

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW to ask on 02/05/07:

It has been reported that the Highways Department has installed some 40 street lights in Pak Tam Au Village on Pak Tam Road in Sai Kung earlier. However, the authorities have indicated that as some green groups and residents consider that the street lights may affect the ecological environment in the vicinity, so far only a few of those street lights have been put to use. In this connection, will the Government inform this Council:

- whether it has assessed if the above incident involves mistakes in planning; if an assessment has been made, of the results;
- whether, in the past three years, it had held off the use of street lights after installation upon the request of organizations in the community; if it had, of the number of street lights involved; and
- of the expenditure in the past three years relating to those street lights which have not yet been put to use after installation?

Public Officer to reply : **Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works**