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## MTR Corporation welcomes Government's decision on Tung Chung Line Extension

The MTR Corporation welcomes the Government's invitation to the Corporation to proceed with detailed planning and design of the Tung Chung Line Extension project. The Corporation has commenced procurement of the preliminary design.

The Tung Chung Line Extension project comprises three components: i) a new intermediate Tung Chung East Station between Sunny Bay Station and Tung Chung Station, ii) an extension of the existing Tung Chung Line to a new terminal station at Tung Chung West, and iii) the Airport Railway Extended Overrun Tunnel (Remaining Section), i.e. an eastward extension of the existing overrun tunnels from Hong Kong Station. The latter facilitates an increase in the Tung Chung Line train frequency in the future. Construction is expected to commence in 2023.

The newly-added Tung Chung East Station will be a key component of the transport infrastructure to support the Tung Chung New Town Extension (East) development. Tung Chung West Station, located west of the existing Yat Tung Estate, will serve incumbent residents and potential housing developments nearby, including the Tung Chung New Town Extension (West) planning areas.

"The Tung Chung Line Extension Project will benefit incumbent and future residents on North Lantau by improving the accessibility and providing railway connectivity to the core of Hong Kong. Together with the existing Tung Chung Station, the three stations in Tung Chung will also form an important transport infrastructure serving the community of the expanded Tung Chung New Town with due consideration of Government's land and housing supply programme," said Dr Jacob Kam, Chief Executive Officer of MTR Corporation.

The Corporation will continue to work closely with the Government to consult the local communities and listen to their views, so that the railway will be built to cater for the transport need of the residents and facilitate their daily commute.

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