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Detailed planning and design of Tuen Mun South Extension commences

The MTR Corporation announces that AECOM Asia Co. Ltd. (AECOM) has been awarded a design consultancy to carry out planning and design for the Tuen Mun South Extension, starting from today (19 October 2020). The project will enhance connectivity of the Tuen Mun South areas by providing residents with more options on railway accessibility locally and to the urban area.

The scope of the consultancy includes development of the scheme into an engineering design, preparation of the construction programme, gazette plans, project cost estimate, and liaison with government departments and other stakeholders. AECOM will work closely with the Corporation's Projects team to deliver the above.

"The award of this contract marks a major milestone for the Tuen Mun South Extension project. It will be a priority to actively engage the local communities in the planning, design and construction so as to deliver a community railway that will contribute to improving the daily lives of residents in Tuen Mun South, starting with their daily commute," said Mr Roger Bayliss, Projects Director of MTR Corporation. Other works have also commenced including ground investigation and a survey of existing utilities.

In May this year, the Government invited the Corporation to proceed with the detailed planning and design of the project. The project includes a 2.4-km extension of the West Rail Line (which will in the future become the Tuen Ma Line) from the existing Tuen Mun Station to a new terminus at Tuen Mun South, via a proposed intermediate station between Tuen Mun Station and the new Tuen Mun South Station. Construction is expected to commence in 2023 and is scheduled to be completed in 2030.

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