

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (95) Leisure and Cultural Services Department

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Programme: (3) Heritage and Museums

Controlling Officer: Director of Leisure and Cultural Services (Ms Michelle LI)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Home Affairs

Question:

- (a) Please provide in the table below information on the recurring expenditures incurred by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) on the acquisition of artworks in the past year.

Year	Total expenditure on the acquisition of artworks	Expenditure on the acquisition of overseas artworks	Number of overseas artworks acquired	Expenditure on the acquisition of artworks from the Mainland or Taiwan	Number of artworks acquired from the Mainland or Taiwan	Expenditure on the acquisition of local artworks	Number of local artworks acquired	Number of local artists involved
2015-16								

- (b) What is the estimated expenditure of the LCSD on the acquisition of artworks in 2016-17? What percentage does the estimated expenditure on the acquisition of local artworks account for?
- (c) Is there any competition with the West Kowloon Cultural District Authority in the acquisition of local artists' artwork? If so, how was it resolved?

Asked by: Hon MA Fung-kwok (Member Question No. 21)

Reply:

- (a) The estimated expenditure incurred by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) for acquiring artworks in 2015-16 was \$10.87 million. Details are set out below:

Year	Total expenditure on the acquisition of artworks	Expenditure on the acquisition of overseas artworks	Number of overseas artworks acquired	Expenditure on the acquisition of artworks from the Mainland or Taiwan	Number of artworks acquired from the Mainland or Taiwan	Expenditure on the acquisition of local artworks	Number of local artworks acquired	Number of local artists involved
2015-16 (Estimated)	\$10.87 million	\$0.87 million	9	\$2 million	4	\$8 million	142 ^{Note}	35

Note: Including paintings, prints, ceramics, sculptures, photographic items, mixed media and installation art.

- (b) The LCSD has earmarked \$9 million for acquiring artworks in 2016-17. As with previous years, it is envisaged that a large proportion of the funding will be spent on the acquisition of artworks of local artists.
- (c) The LCSD has been in constant dialogue with M+ of the West Kowloon Cultural District Authority to ensure that the positioning and programmes of LCSD museums will not duplicate with those of M+. There is no competition between LCSD museums and M+ in the acquisition of artworks.

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