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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

(Question Serial No. 2540)

<u>Head</u>: (95) Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

<u>Programme</u>: (1) Recreation and Sports

<u>Controlling Officer</u>: Director of Leisure and Cultural Services (Ms Michelle LI)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Home Affairs

Question:

It is stated in the Estimates that the work of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) involves formulating policies and strategies for the provision of leisure and sports facilities and activities. Nevertheless, neither policy support nor provision of training venues is offered to some popular Chinese traditional sports, such as dragon dance, lion dance and qilin dance (dragon and lion dance sport). In this connection, will the Government inform this Committee of:

- (1) whether the overall provision of leisure and sports facilities and venues will be increased;
- (2) the number of venues/facilities designed for a single sport (e.g. golf courses) under the management of the LCSD, with a breakdown of the venues/facilities by sport, location and number; and
- (3) whether suitable training venues and facilities will be provided for some distinct sports (e.g. dragon and lion dance) through provision of new venues/conversion of existing venues.

Asked by: Hon Alice MAK Mei-kuen (Member Question No. 53)

Reply:

- (1) The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) is committed to providing more sports facilities to meet public demand. In planning new facilities, consideration will be given to various factors such as the policy objectives for sports development, utilisation rates of existing facilities, demographic changes, the advice of District Councils and site availability.
- (2) &(3) In line with the vision of the Hong Kong Planning Standard and Guidelines, planning for recreation facilities requires flexibility in the use of facilities including dual or multiple use. Hence, LCSD's sports and recreation facilities

normally allow multiple uses so as to enhance cost-effectiveness, benefit more and different users and better serve the changing needs of the community. However, due to the unique characteristics of certain sports and technical considerations, some purpose-built sports facilities are provided for use of designated sports activity. A list of LCSD fee-charging venues for designated sports is set out at Annex.

To provide support to "national sports associations" (NSAs) for training of Hong Kong's representative teams, the LCSD also provides designated sports facilities as national squad training centres (NSTCs) to the NSAs where appropriate. The NSAs would have top priority for booking of the NSTCs for the training of national squad members.

In the case of dragon and lion dance activities, the Morse Park Sports Centre in Wong Tai Sin District has been designated as the NSTC of the Hong Kong Chinese Martial Arts Dragon and Lion Dance Association. The Kowloon Park Sports Centre in Yau Tsim Mong District, as well as the Choi Hung Road Sports Centre and Morse Park Sports Centre in Wong Tai Sin District have also been used as the Association's dedicated venues, offering priority booking to the national squad and the Association.

Other organisations may also book leisure venues managed by the LCSD, such as sports centres (including multi-purpose arenas and other venues) or non-fee charging outdoor venues, for conducting dragon and lion dance activities in accordance with the existing booking arrangements.

List of fee-charging sports facilities provided by the LCSD for designated sports activity ${\bf r}$

Type of Facilities Designed for Specified Sports	District		Venue	Total number of venues
Archery Range	Wong Tai Sin	1.	Ngau Chi Wan Park	1
Badminton Courts	Wong Tai Sin	1.	Choi Hung Road Badminton Centre	1
Billiard Facilities	Eastern	1.	Java Road Sports Centre	
	Kowloon City	2.	Ho Man Tin Sports Centre	
	Kwun Tong	3.	Lei Yue Mun Sports Centre	5
		4.	Shun Lee Tsuen Sports Centre	-
	North	5.	Po Wing Road Sports Centre	
Boxing Ring	Sham Shui Po	1.	Pei Ho Street Sports Centre	1
Golf Driving Ranges	Eastern	1.	Island East Sports Centre (Indoor)	3
	Kwun Tong	2.	Shun Lee Tsuen Sports Centre (Indoor)	
	Tuen Mun	3.	Tuen Mun Recreation and Sports Centre	
Gymnastics Facilities	Kwun Tong	1.	Shun Lee Tsuen Sports Centre	1
Hockey Grounds	Wan Chai	1.	Happy Valley Recreation Ground	2
	Yau Tsim Mong	2.	King's Park Hockey Ground	
Lawn Bowl Greens	Eastern	1.	Island East Sports Centre (Indoor)	7
	Southern	2.	Ap Lei Chau Sports Centre (Indoor)	
	Wan Chai	3.	Victoria Park	
	Sai Kung	4.	Hang Hau Man Kuk Lane Park	
	Sha Tin	5.	Siu Lek Yuen Road Playground	
	Tai Po	6.	Tai Po Waterfront Park	
	Tuen Mun	7.	Wu Shan Bowling Green	
Rugby Pitch	Sham Shui Po	1.	Tai Hang Tung Recreation Ground	1
Sanshou Facilities	Kwun Tong	1.	Lei Yue Mun Sports Centre	1

Type of Facilities Designed for Specified Sports	District		Venue	Total number of venues
Sports Climbing	Eastern	1.	Island East Sports Centre	
Facilities	Kwun Tong	2.	Lei Yue Mun Sports Centre	
	Wong Tai Sin	3.	Kai Tak East Sports Centre	5
	Yau Tsim Mong	4.	Tai Kok Tsui Sports Centre	J
	Tuen Mun	5.	Tuen Mun Recreation and Sports Centre	
Squash Courts*	Central & Western	1.	Hong Kong Squash Centre	
	Eastern	2.	Java Road Sports Centre	
		3.	Sai Wan Ho Sports Centre	
	Southern	4.	Aberdeen Tennis & Squash Centre	
	Wan Chai	5.	Harbour Road Sports Centre	
	Kowloon City	6.	Fat Kwong Street Sports Centre	
		7.	Kowloon City Sports Centre	
	Kwun Tong	8.	Hiu Kwong Street Sports Centre	
		9.	Kowloon Bay Sports Centre	
	Sham Shui Po	10.	Cornwall Street Squash and Table Tennis Centre	21
	Yau Tsim Mong	11.	Fa Yuen Street Sports Centre	21
	Kwai Tsing	12.	Tsing Yi Sports Centre	
	Sai Kung	13.	Tseung Kwan O Sports Centre	
	Sha Tin	14.	Sha Tin Jockey Club Public Squash Courts	
	Tai Po	15.	Tai Po Sports Ground	
	Tsuen Wan	16.	Yeung Uk Road Sports Centre	
	Tuen Mun	17.	Leung Tin Sports Centre	
		18.	Tai Hing Sports Centre	
		19.	Yau Oi Sports Centre	
	Yuen Long	20.	Tin Shui Wai Sports Centre	
		21.	Yuen Long Jockey Club Squash Courts	

Type of Facilities Designed for Specified Sports	District	Venue	Total number of venues
Table Tennis	Kowloon City	1. Ho Man Tin Sports Centre	
Facilities	Sham Shui Po	2. Cornwall Street Squash & Table Tennis Centre	3
	North	3. Luen Wo Hui Sports Centre	
Tennis Courts	Eastern	1. Chai Wan Park	
		2. Quarry Bay Park	
		3. Sai Wan Ho Playground	
	Southern	4. Aberdeen Tennis and Squash Centre	
	Wan Chai	5. Bowen Road Tennis Court	
		6. Causeway Bay Sports Ground	
		7. Hong Kong Tennis Centre	
		8. Victoria Park	
	Kowloon City	9. Ho Man Tin Sports Centre	
		10. Junction Road Park	
		11. Ma Tau Wai Service Reservoir Playground	
		12. Tin Kwong Road Tennis Court	
	Kwun Tong	13. Hiu Ming Street Playground	
		14. Hong Ning Road Park	
		15. Jordan Valley Playground	<i>5</i> 1
		16. Ping Shek Playground	51
		17. Shun Lee Tsuen Sports Centre	
		18. Sin Fat Road Tennis Courts	
	Sham Shui Po	19. Lai Chi Kok Park	
		20. Shek Kip Mei Park	
		21. Tung Chau Street Park	
	Wong Tai Sin	22. Choi Hung Road Badminton Centre	
		23. Ma Chai Hang Recreation Ground	
		24. Morse Park	
		25. Shek Ku Lung Road Playground	
	Yau Tsim Mong	26. Cherry Street Park	
		27. King's Park Recreation Ground	
	Islands	28. Cheung Chau Park	
	Kwai Tsing	29. Kwai Shing Playground	
		30. Shek Lei Street Tennis Courts	
		31. Tsing Yi Park	

Type of Facilities Designed for Specified Sports	District	Venue	Total number of venues
Tennis Courts	North	32. North District Sports Ground	
(cont'd)	Sai Kung	33. Po Tsui Park	
		34. Sai Kung Tennis Courts	
	Sha Tin	35. Hin Tin Playground	
		36. Ma On Shan Recreation Ground	
		37. Siu Lek Yuen Road Playground	
		38. Tsang Tai Uk Recreation Ground	
		39. Yuen Wo Playground	
	Tai Po	40. Tai Po Sports Ground	
		41. Wan Tau Kok Playground	
	Tsuen Wan	42. Sha Tsui Road Playground	
		43. Shing Mun Valley Park	
		44. Tsuen King Circuit Playground	
		45. Tsuen Wan Park	
		46. Tsuen Wan Riviera Park	
	Tuen Mun	47. Tsing Sin Playground	
		48. Tuen Mun Tang Shiu Kin Sports Ground	
		49. Wu Shan Tennis Courts	
	Yuen Long	50. Sai Ching Street Tennis Court	
		51. Tin Shui Wai Park	
Track Cycling	Sai Kung	1. Hong Kong Velodrome	1

Remarks:

- (1) The facilities in the above table include fee charging venues provided for use of designated sports only.
- (2) There are 73 venues with 74 fitness rooms and the list of venues is available at the LCSD website: http://www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/fitness/rooms.html.
- (3) *Some squash court(s) in the venues are designated for squash activities only.