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Question:

What are the details of the School Sports Programme provided by the Government for primary, secondary and special schools in the past year? What are the publicity, manpower arrangements and expenditure involved?

Asked by: Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki (Member Question No. 617)

Reply:

Since 2001, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) has implemented the School Sports Programme (SSP) to provide diverse sports activities for students of primary, secondary and special schools in Hong Kong, with the objectives of fostering students' interest and participation in sports activities. The SSP includes seven subsidiary programmes/schemes, namely, the Sport Education Programme, the Easy Sport Programme, the Outreach Coaching Programme, the Joint Schools Sports Training Programme, the Sport Captain Programme, the Badges Award Scheme, and the Sports Award Scheme. In 2015-16, about 90% of schools joined the SSP, with over 611 000 students participated in more than 8 100 sports activities. The total amount of expenditure involved was about \$22.46 million. The SSP is publicised mainly through schools, media, website, press releases and publications. The LCSD has been carrying out the work with existing manpower.