

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Question:

It is stated in the Policy Address this year that the Government will launch 26 projects to develop new or improve existing sports and recreation facilities amounting to a total of 54, including 2 sports grounds, 9 football pitches, 1 sports centre, 4 swimming pool complexes, 2 lawn bowling greens, 1 cycling ground, 4 tennis courts, 11 outdoor basketball courts and 20 open spaces; and that it will conduct technical feasibility study for another 15 sports and recreation facility projects to prepare for their implementation.

In this connection, will the Government:

- 1) list by project name the details of the 26 expected new or improvement projects, including the expenditure involved as well as the expected dates of commencement and completion; and
- 2) list by project name the details of the 15 sports and recreation facility projects for which technical feasibility study will be conducted, including the expenditure involved as well as the expected dates of commencement and completion?

Asked by: Hon WU Chi-wai (Member Question No. 41)

Reply:

- 1) The Government has earmarked a total of \$20 billion to launch 26 projects in the coming 5 years to develop new or improve existing sports and recreation facilities in different districts. The 26 projects and the major facilities to be provided are set out in paragraph 219 of the 2017 Policy Address. Among the 26 projects, we are planning to consult the relevant LegCo Panels and seek the funding approval of the Finance Committee for the following 5 projects in 2017-18 –

Project Name	Major Facilities	Tentative Start Date	Tentative Completion Date
1. Waterfront Promenade adjacent to the Hong Kong Children's Hospital	Open space	2017	2019
2. Improvement of Hoi Bun Road Park and Adjacent Area, Kwun Tong	Including 1 football pitch and open space	2017	2020
3. Sports Ground and Open Space in Area 16, Tuen Mun – Pre-construction works	Including 1 sports ground, 1 football pitch and open space	2017	2020
4. Avenue Park at Kai Tak	Including 1 outdoor basketball court and open space	2018	2020
5. Open space at Sze Mei Street, San Po Kong	Including 1 football pitch, 4 outdoor basketball courts and open space	2018	2021

As regards the remaining 21 projects, they are at different planning stages. The estimated capital and recurrent cost of the projects are being worked out. We will provide details when we consult the relevant panels and seek the funding approval of the Finance Committee on these projects.

- 2) The list of the 15 sports and recreational facilities for conducting technical feasibility study is also in paragraph 219 of the 2017 Policy Address. As technical feasibility studies have yet to be conducted, cost estimate and implementation time table of the projects are not available at this stage.

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