

**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:

It is stated that the provision for 2017-18 is \$81.9 million (8.8%) higher than the revised estimate for 2016-17, which is mainly due to the increase in provision for organising cultural activities to celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR), the net increase of 12 posts, filling of vacancies, and the increase in cash flow requirement for capital account items. Will the Government inform this Committee of the operational expenses, staff manpower and full-year payroll costs for organising cultural activities to celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Establishment of the HKSAR in 2017-18 under this Programme?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Chi-chuen (Member Question No. 72)

Reply:

The estimated provision for Programme (3) Heritage and Museums for 2017-18 is \$81.9 million (8.8%) higher than the revised estimate for 2016-17. Of this, the additional provision of \$35.0 million has been earmarked for the organisation of a number of major exhibitions and programmes to mark the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administration Region. The additional work is undertaken by existing staff of the Department.

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