

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**HAB534****(Question Serial No. 4879)**Head: (95) Leisure and Cultural Services DepartmentSubhead (No. & title): (-) Not SpecifiedProgramme: (1) Recreation and SportsControlling Officer: Director of Leisure and Cultural Services (Ms Michelle LI)Director of Bureau: Secretary for Home AffairsQuestion:

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) organises a wide range of recreation and sports programmes with a view to developing a strong sporting culture in Hong Kong and promoting "Sport for All". In this connection, please inform this Committee of the following:

- (a) Please provide in the table below details of the district-based activities organised by the LCSD in the past year.

2016-17				
	Number of activities	Expenditure	Number of participants	
			Local	Non-local
Sports training courses				
Sports competitions				

- (b) Please provide in the table below details of the sports and recreation programmes and activities organised by the LCSD in the past year.

2016-17			
Activity	Expenditure	Number of participants	
		Local	Non-local

- (c) Please provide in the table below details of the district-based activities to be organised by the LCSD this year.

2017-18				
	Number of activities	Estimated expenditure	Expected number of participants	
			Local	Non-local
Sports training courses				
Sports competitions				

- (d) Please provide in the table below details of the sports and recreation programmes and activities to be organised by the LCSD this year. (If the activities are organised also to celebrate the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region anniversary, please indicate with a *.)

2017-18			
Activity	Estimated expenditure	Expected number of participants	
		Local	Non-local

- (e) How are the above numbers of participants arrived at?
- (f) How does the Government assess the effectiveness of the above major events?

Asked by: Hon MA Fung-kwok (Member Question No. 69)

Reply:

To promote sport in the community, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) organises district-based activities throughout the year such as sports training courses and competitions. It also organises territory-wide events such as the Hong Kong Games (HKG), Corporate Games, Masters Games and Sport For All Day. Except for HKG, LCSD does not restrict participation in these activities and events to local residents. Athletes representing the 18 District Councils in HKG should be Hong Kong residents residing in the districts they represent. LCSD does not maintain records on the resident status of the participants in its other programmes and activities.

- (a) Details of the district-based activities organised by LCSD in 2016-17 are listed below –

	Number of activities organised	Estimated expenditure (\$ million)	Number of participants
Sports training courses and recreation activities	37 580	133.0	2 032 968
Sports competitions	386	16.0	120 008

- (b) Other than the district-based recreation programmes and activities, LCSD also organises major sports and recreation programmes as listed below in 2016-17 –

Event	Estimated expenditure (\$ million)	Number of participants
The 6 th Hong Kong Games ⁽¹⁾	9.1	54 136
Corporate Games 2016 ⁽²⁾	1.1	8 073
Master Games 2016 ⁽²⁾	0.6	4 815
Sport For All Day	5.2	235 926

- (c) Details of the planned district-based activities to be organised by LCSD in 2017-18 are set out below –

	Number of planned activities	Estimated expenditure (\$ million)	Expected number of participants
Sports training courses and recreation activities	37 600	138.5	2 042 160
Sports competitions	387	16.1	120 040

- (d) Other than the planned district-based recreation programmes and activities, details of the planned major sports and recreation programmes to be organised by LCSD in 2017-18 are set out below –

Event	Estimated expenditure (\$ million)	Expected number of participants
The 6 th Hong Kong Games ^{(1) (3)}	25.0	436 800
Corporate Games 2018 ⁽²⁾	0.1	1 000
Sport For All Day ⁽³⁾	6.2	245 900

Notes

- (1) The Hong Kong Games is a biennial event with relatively less expenditure and participants involved in the publicity and promotional activities in the first year (i.e. 2016-17) and more expenditure and participants involved in the second year (i.e. 2017-18) when the majority of the sports competitions and community involvement programmes are held.
- (2) The Corporate Games and the Masters Games are biennial events. The Corporate Games 2018 will be held from February to November 2018 whereas the Masters Games 2018 will be held from June to November 2018.
- (3) The activities are enhanced in scale and variety to celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the Establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region.
- (e) The numbers of participants of the activities held in 2016-17 are actual figures collected during the events, while those for the activities planned for 2017-18 are projections based on past experience and participation patterns.
- (f) LCSD evaluates the effectiveness of the major events mainly based on the number of participants as well as the feedback from the public.