

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (95) Leisure and Cultural Services Department

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Controlling Officer: Director of Leisure and Cultural Services (Ms Michelle LI)

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Question:

- (a) Please provide in the table below information on the recurring expenditures incurred by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) on the acquisition of artworks in the past year.

Year	Total expenditure on the acquisition of artworks	Expenditure on the acquisition of overseas artworks	Number of overseas artworks acquired	Expenditure on the acquisition of artworks from the Mainland or Taiwan	Number of artworks acquired from the Mainland or Taiwan	Expenditure on the acquisition of local artworks	Number of local artworks acquired	Number of local artists involved
2017-18								

- (b) According to the Budget, \$500 million will be allocated to the LCSD for the acquisition of museum collections and holding exhibitions. How will the provision be spent?
- (c) What is the estimated expenditure on the acquisition of artworks in 2018-19? What percentage does the estimated expenditure on the acquisition of local artworks account for?
- (d) Is there any competition with the West Kowloon Cultural District Authority in the acquisition of artworks? If so, how was it resolved?

Asked by: Hon MA Fung-kwok (Member Question No. (LegCo use): 7)

Reply:

- (a) The estimated expenditure incurred by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) for acquiring artworks in 2017-18 was \$7.94 million. Details are set out below –

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2017-18 (Estimated)	\$7.94 million	0	0	\$0.44 million	1	\$7.5 million	147 ⁽¹⁾	39

Note

(1) Including paintings, prints, ceramics, photographic items, calligraphy, carving, etc.

- (b) The provision of \$500 million will be used for acquiring artefacts and artworks which are in line with the collection policies of LCSD museums, Art Promotion Office and Hong Kong Film Archive, as well as commissioning art and cultural projects for exhibitions and public display.
- (c) The LCSD plans to use \$8 million to \$12 million for acquiring artworks in 2018-19. Similar to previous years, it is envisaged that a large proportion of the funding will be spent on the acquisition of artworks by local artists.
- (d) The LCSD has been in constant dialogue with M+ of the West Kowloon Cultural District Authority to ensure that there is no competition between LCSD museums and M+ in the acquisition of artworks.

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