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Question:

Will the Government provide the names of the organisations jointly organising regular recreation and sports training programmes with the Leisure and Cultural Services Department, the names of the programmes, as well as the respective numbers of the organisation and individual participants?

Asked by: Hon CHEUNG Chiu-hung, Fernando (Member Question No. (LegCo use): 4064)

Reply:

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) organises a wide range of recreation and sports activities to encourage people of all ages and different abilities, including people with disabilities (PWD) to lead an active and healthy life. In 2017-18, LCSD organised around 38 400 recreation and sports programmes, with over 2.7 million participants, including 1 300 programmes for PWD. Most of these programmes such as training classes are organised by LCSD. Apart from providing subventions to “national sports associations” to organise recreation and sports programmes, LCSD also co-organises district sports competitions in conjunction with other organisations such as district sports associations.

As regards programmes specifically for PWDs, LCSD currently partners with organisations serving PWDs such as the Hong Kong Sports Association of the Deaf, the Society for the Welfare of the Autistic Persons, the Hong Kong Physically Handicapped and Able-bodied Association, the Hong Kong Blind Union, the New Life Psychiatric Rehabilitation Association, the Hong Kong Society for Rehabilitation and other related organisations in the districts.