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Head: (95) Leisure and Cultural Services Department

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Programme: (1) Recreation and Sports

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Director of Bureau: Secretary for Home Affairs

Question:

Will the Government provide information on the expenditures incurred by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) on overall sports activities and development in the past 5 years? Of those, what is the expenditure on people with disabilities (PWDs)?

Regarding the expenditure on PWDs by the LCSD, will the Government provide information on the amount directly incurred by the Department in organising sports activities and the amount incurred in organising activities with other bodies or organisations in the past 5 years?

Asked by: Hon CHEUNG Chiu-hung, Fernando (Member Question No. (LegCo use): 4065)

Reply:

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) supports sports activities and development that benefit people of all ages and different abilities. As these sports activities are open to the public, persons with disabilities (PWDs) may participate according to their respective interest, level of ability and the programme requirements. In addition, LCSD also supports sports organisations and programmes specifically for PWDs. These include programmes organised by LCSD with the support of partner organisations, and other programmes organised by the “national sports associations” (NSAs) that promote sports development for PWDs.

The overall expenditure on sports development and the expenditure on sports development specifically for PWDs in the past 5 years are set out below –

Year	Overall Expenditure on sports development and activities ^{Note 1} (\$ million)	Expenditure on sports development and activities specifically for PWDs (\$ million)		
		Directly incurred by LCSD ^{Note 2}	Organised by outside organisations ^{Note 3}	Total
2013-14	414.1	3.9	15.1	19.0
2014-15	415.9	4.0	15.8	19.8
2015-16	427.4	4.4	16.4	20.8
2016-17	440.2	4.5	17.2	21.7
2017-18	548.5	4.5	18.4	22.9

^{Note 1} The overall expenditure includes the direct expenditure on community sports programmes as well as the subvention for NSAs and sports organisations.

^{Note 2} The expenditure directly incurred by LCSD on PWDs includes the amount incurred in organising community sports programmes for PWDs with the support of partner organisations.

^{Note 3} The expenditure includes subvention for three NSAs that support the sports development for PWDs, namely Hong Kong Sports Association of the Deaf Company Limited, Hong Kong Sports Association for Persons with Intellectual Disability and Hong Kong Paralympic Committee & Sports Association for the Physically Disabled.

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