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#### CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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<u>Head</u>: (95) Leisure and Cultural Services Department

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<u>Programme</u>: (1) Recreation and Sports

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Director of Bureau: Secretary for Home Affairs

## Question:

In connection with the feeder systems for identification and development of young potential athletes, will the Government inform this Committee of the following:

- (a) Regarding the implementation of the feeder systems, what is the expenditure earmarked in the estimates for 2017-18 for individual "national sports associations" (NSAs) and how effective is the work? What are the mechanism and criteria used by the Government to assess the effectiveness of the provision? What is the estimated expenditure for individual NSAs this year? What is the specific work plan?
- (b) Apart from supporting the NSAs, what measures are taken by the Government to support the implementation of the feeder systems for other sports? What are the estimated expenditures involved?
- (c) How many schools participated in the Student Athlete Support Scheme (the Scheme) in the 2017/2018 school year? How many student athletes have benefited? What is the expenditure involved? What is the estimated expenditure for the implementation of the Scheme in the 2018/2019 school year?

Asked by: Hon MA Fung-kwok (Member Question No. (LegCo use): 17)

## Reply:

(a) & (b) In 2017-18, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) provided \$17.1 million for the Feeder System Scheme (FSS) to support 52 "national sports associations" (NSAs) of different sports to implement their feeder programmes. A breakdown of the subvention granted to individual NSAs for the feeder programmes in 2017-18 is at **Annex**.

LCSD has assessed the effectiveness of FSS in terms of achievement of performance targets set by NSAs, including the organisation of feeder programmes, recruitment of squad members, and athletes' achievements in international sports competitions. Since its launch in 2009-10, FSS has

achieved very good results. As at December 2017, FSS has resulted in the identification of 2 556 athletes for promotion to higher level squads for further training. Of these, 672 have been promoted to junior squads of different sports. LCSD will continue to monitor the effectiveness of FSS.

In 2018-19, the total funding earmarked to support 52 NSAs to implement feeder programmes will be around \$19 million and the amount to be allocated to the individual NSAs is being finalised. The programmes to be implemented under FSS will mainly include development programmes, talent identification, regional and junior squad training, local competitions, overseas training and competitions.

(c) The number of schools participating in the Student Athlete Support Scheme (SASS) has increased from 603 schools in the 2016/17 school year to 612 schools in the 2017/18 school year. In the 2016/17 school year, over 17 000 students benefited from SASS. Information on the number of beneficiaries will be available at the end of the 2017/18 school year upon receipt of the reports submitted by participating schools. We have earmarked \$7.35 million for SASS for the 2017/18 school year. As applications for the 2018/19 school year will be invited later this year, the relevant estimated expenditure is not yet available.

# **Subvention to Feeder System Scheme in 2017-18**

	Name of "national sports association"	2017-18 (\$)
1.	Hong Kong Archery Association	286,342
2.	Hong Kong Amateur Athletic Association Limited	959,142
3.	Hong Kong Badminton Association Limited	788,362
4.	The Hong Kong Baseball Association Limited	230,740
5.	Hong Kong Basketball Association	209,332
6.	Hong Kong Billiard Sports Control Council Company Limited	359,592
7.	Hong Kong China Bodybuilding and Fitness Association	121,017
8.	Hong Kong Boxing Association Limited	66,402
9.	Hong Kong Canoe Union Limited	228,572
10.	Hong Kong Chinese Martial Arts Dragon And Lion Dance Association Limited	14,037
11.	Cricket Hong Kong Limited	53,170
12.	The Cycling Association of Hong Kong, China Limited	687,753
13.	Hong Kong DanceSport Association Limited	193,994
14.	Hong Kong China Dragon Boat Association	215,131
15.	Hong Kong Equestrian Federation	128,742
16.	Hong Kong Fencing Association	492,010
17.	The Hong Kong Football Association Limited	291,168
18.	Hong Kong, China Gateball Association Co. Limited	160,160
19.	Hong Kong Golf Association Limited	47,990
20.	The Gymnastics Association of Hong Kong, China	231,046
21.	Handball Association of Hong Kong, China Limited	550,626
22.	The Hong Kong Hockey Association	237,083
23.	Hong Kong Ice Hockey Association Limited	273,842
24.	The Judo Association of Hong Kong, China	609,809
25.	The Karatedo Federation of Hong Kong, China Limited	193,020
26.	Hong Kong Kendo Association Limited	167,616

	Name of "national sports association"	2017-18 (\$)
27.	Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association	100,890
28.	The Hong Kong Life Saving Society	156,936
29.	China Hong Kong Mountaineering and Climbing Union Limited	208,105
30.	Hong Kong Netball Association Limited	186,075
31.	Orienteering Association of Hong Kong Limited	200,532
32.	Hong Kong Federation of Roller Sports Limited	309,529
33.	Hong Kong, China Rowing Association	193,723
34.	Hong Kong Rugby Union	325,129
35.	Hong Kong Sailing Federation	162,195
36.	Hong Kong Shooting Association	384,836
37.	Hong Kong Shuttlecock Association Limited	208,947
38.	Hong Kong Skating Union Limited	133,024
39.	Hong Kong Softball Association	235,994
40.	Hong Kong Sports Association for Persons with Intellectual Disability	691,540
41.	Hong Kong Paralympic Committee & Sports Association for the Physically Disabled	357,000
42.	Hong Kong Squash	570,261
43.	Hong Kong Amateur Swimming Association	226,400
44.	The Hong Kong Table Tennis Association Limited	855,043
45.	Hong Kong Taekwondo Association Limited	427,052
46.	The Hong Kong Tennis Association Limited	982,509
47.	Hong Kong Tenpin Bowling Congress Limited	258,624
48.	Hong Kong Triathlon Association Limited	117,700
49.	Hong Kong Underwater Association Limited	51,260
50.	Volleyball Association of Hong Kong, China Limited	467,796
51.	Windsurfing Association of Hong Kong	1,053,383
52.	Hong Kong Wushu Union Limited	493,028