

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

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Question:

The work of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department in operating museums is to provide a balanced mix of programmes for enhancing public appreciation of arts and culture. Please inform this Committee of the following with a breakdown by fee-charging museums across Hong Kong:

- (a) What are the actual and estimated staff establishments of each museum in the 2017-18 and 2018-19 financial years?
- (b) What is the total expenditure of each museum in the 2017-18 financial year?
- (c) What is the estimated expenditure of each museum in the 2018-19 financial year?
- (d) What are the attendance figures for each museum on weekdays and holidays in the 2017-18 financial year?

Asked by: Hon MA Fung-kwok (Member Question No. (LegCo use): 86)

Reply:

- (a) to (c) The staff establishment and the estimated recurrent expenditure (excluding staff salaries) of the fee-charging museums under the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) in 2017-18 and 2018-19 are set out at **Annex I**.
- (d) The attendance figures of the fee-charging museums under the LCSD in 2017-18 (as at 28 February 2018) are set out at **Annex II**.

**Staff establishment and the recurrent expenditure (excluding staff salaries)  
of the fee-charging museums under the Leisure and Cultural Services Department in 2017-18 and 2018-19**

Museums	Number of Staff Establishment		Estimated Expenditure	
	As at 1 April 2017 (Actual)	As at 1 April 2018 (Projected)	2017-18 (\$ million)	2018-19 (\$ million)
Hong Kong Science Museum	100	107	82.37	80.84
Hong Kong Space Museum	79	82	39.97	38.48

**Attendance of fee-charging museums under the Leisure and Cultural Services Department in 2017-18  
(as at 28 February 2018)**

<b>Museum</b>	<b>Attendance in 2017-18 (as at 28 February 2018)</b>			
	<b>Free Admission Days</b>	<b>Weekdays</b>	<b>Weekends and Public Holidays</b>	<b>Total</b>
Hong Kong Science Museum	373 439	704 253	842 824	1 920 516
Hong Kong Space Museum <sup>(1)</sup>	N.A.	212 493	197 614	410 107

Note

- (1) The exhibition halls of the Hong Kong Space Museum have been temporarily closed since November 2015 for renovation. They will be re-opened to the public on 25 April 2018. During the period from 1 April 2017 to 28 February 2018, Stanley Ho Space Theatre was the only fee-charging facility available for public visit.

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