

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**HAB458****(Question Serial No. 4139)**Head: (95) Leisure and Cultural Services DepartmentSubhead (No. & title): (-) Not specifiedProgramme: (1) Recreation and SportsControlling Officer: Director of Leisure and Cultural Services (Ms Michelle LI)Director of Bureau: Secretary for Home AffairsQuestion:

In connection with this programme, please provide the following information about the Hong Kong Rugby Union:

- a) the amount of subvention received from the Government;
- b) the respective (i) amount and (ii) percentage of different types of expenses; whether the upper percentage limit of each expenditure item against the total amount of subvention is stipulated in the grant agreement;
- c) the distribution of salary subvention in a table.

Asked by: Hon WAN Siu-kin, Andrew (LegCo internal reference no.: 55)Reply:

In 2018-19, the Hong Kong Rugby Union received a total subvention of about \$5.6 million under the Sports Subvention Scheme (SSS). Detailed breakdown on the types of expenses is set out in the following table –

	Subvention Amount (\$'000)	% of total
Personnel expenses	1,812	33
Office expenses	211	4
Programme expenses	3,393	61
Notional venue charges	135	2
Total	5,551	100

Under SSS, “national sports associations” (NSAs) are required to submit their annual plan to the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD), which will be taken into account in determining the amount of annual subvention. NSAs and LCSD will sign an annual Subvention Agreement, and NSAs must use the subvention to implement the planned programmes in strict accordance with the requirements stated in the Agreement.

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