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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 2019-20 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 2019/20 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 2020/21 school year?

Asked by: Hon MA Fung-kwok (LegCo internal reference no.: 87)

Reply:

- (a) & (b) As for the work relating to the feeder system, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) mainly provides subvention to “national sports associations” (NSAs) to organise feeder programmes of different sports, including implementation of development programmes, talent identification, regional and junior squad training, local competitions, overseas training and competitions. The provision for implementing the Feeder System Scheme (FSS) in 2019-20 amounted to \$22 million for supporting feeder programmes organised by 53 NSAs. The subvention granted to each NSA 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 2019, FSS has resulted in the identification of 4 060 athletes for promotion to higher level squads for further training. Of these, 916 have been promoted to junior squads of different sports. LCSD will continue to monitor the effectiveness of FSS.

In 2020-21, a total of around \$27.6 million will be earmarked to support NSAs to implement feeder programmes. The amount to be allocated to the individual NSAs is being finalised.

- (c) In the 2019/20 school year, a total of 629 schools participated in the Student Athlete Support Scheme (SASS). Information on the number of beneficiaries will be available upon receipt of the reports submitted by the schools at the end of this school year. We have earmarked \$8.5 million for SASS for the 2019/20 school year. The estimated provision for the 2020/21 school year will remain at a similar level.

Subvention to Feeder System Scheme in 2019-20

	Name of national sports association	2019-20 (\$)
1	Hong Kong Archery Association	476,452
2	Hong Kong Amateur Athletic Association Limited	1,109,940
3	Hong Kong Badminton Association Limited	926,446
4	The Hong Kong Baseball Association Limited	275,280
5	Hong Kong Basketball Association Limited	213,294
6	Hong Kong Billiard Sports Control Council Company Limited	436,896
7	Hong Kong China Bodybuilding and Fitness Association	155,080
8	Hong Kong Boxing Association Limited	111,706
9	The Hong Kong Canoe Union Limited	294,556
10	Hong Kong Chinese Martial Arts Dragon and Lion Dance Association Limited	14,170
11	Cricket Hong Kong Limited	62,318
12	The Cycling Association of Hong Kong, China Limited	771,976
13	Hong Kong DanceSport Association Limited	317,368
14	Hong Kong China Dragon Boat Association	307,296
15	Hong Kong Equestrian Federation	159,934
16	Hong Kong Fencing Association	866,376
17	The Hong Kong Football Association Limited	353,725
18	Hong Kong, China Gateball Association Co. Limited	170,695
19	Hong Kong Golf Association Limited	53,630
20	The Gymnastics Association of Hong Kong, China	188,934
21	Handball Association of Hong Kong, China Limited	503,560
22	The Hong Kong Hockey Association	329,999
23	Hong Kong Ice Hockey Association Limited	358,526
24	The Judo Association of Hong Kong, China	618,321
25	The Karatedo Federation of Hong Kong, China Limited	196,628
26	Hong Kong Kendo Association Limited	168,384

	Name of national sports association	2019-20 (\$)
27	Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association	258,691
28	The Hong Kong Life Saving Society	168,936
29	China Hong Kong Mountaineering and Climbing Union Limited	254,544
30	Hong Kong Netball Association Limited	328,426
31	Orienteering Association of Hong Kong Limited	219,302
32	Hong Kong Federation of Roller Sports Limited	368,846
33	Hong Kong, China Rowing Association	235,692
34	Hong Kong Rugby Union	380,652
35	Hong Kong Sailing Federation	178,594
36	Hong Kong Shooting Association	404,092
37	Hong Kong Shuttlecock Association Limited	221,819
38	Hong Kong Skating Union Limited	681,014
39	Hong Kong Softball Association	285,806
40	Hong Kong Sports Association of the Deaf Company Limited,	35,080
41	Hong Kong Sports Association for Persons with Intellectual Disability	590,602
42	Hong Kong Paralympic Committee & Sports Association for the Physically Disabled	460,223
43	Hong Kong Squash	1,021,684
44	Hong Kong Amateur Swimming Association	199,640
45	The Hong Kong Table Tennis Association Limited	936,123
46	Hong Kong Taekwondo Association Limited	565,696
47	The Hong Kong Tennis Association Limited	1,336,148
48	Hong Kong Tenpin Bowling Congress Limited	315,524
49	Hong Kong Triathlon Association Limited	144,156
50	Hong Kong Underwater Association Limited	46,341
51	Volleyball Association of Hong Kong, China Limited	593,801
52	Windsurfing Association of Hong Kong	1,790,869
53	Hong Kong Wushu Union Limited	502,729