

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY****HAB130****(Question Serial No. 2288)**Head: (95) Leisure and Cultural Services DepartmentSubhead (No. & title): (-) Not SpecifiedProgramme: (1) Recreation and SportsControlling Officer: Director of Leisure and Cultural Services (Vincent LIU)Director of Bureau: Secretary for Home AffairsQuestion:

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) organises a wide range of recreation and sports programmes with a view to developing a strong sporting culture in Hong Kong and promoting "Sport for All". In this connection, please inform this Committee of the following:

- (a) What are the LCSD's plans and programmes to promote community sports this year? What is the estimated expenditure? What are the details of the plans?
- (b) Please provide in the table below details of the district-based activities organised by the LCSD in the past year.

2019-20				
	Number of activities	Expenditure	Number of participants	
			Local	Non-local
Sports training courses				
Sports competitions				

- (c) Please provide in the table below details of the sports and recreation programmes and activities organised by the LCSD in the past year.

2019-20			
Activity	Expenditure	Number of participants	
		Local	Non-local

- (d) Please provide in the table below details of the district-based activities to be organised by the LCSD this year.

2020-21				
	Number of activities	Estimated expenditure	Expected number of participants	
			Local	Non-local
Sports training courses				
Sports competitions				

- (e) Please provide in the table below details of the sports and recreation programmes and activities to be organised by the LCSD this year.

2020-21			
Activity	Estimated expenditure	Expected number of participants	
		Local	Non-local

Asked by: Hon MA Fung-kwok (LegCo internal reference no.: 95)

Reply:

- (a) To promote sports in the community, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) plans to organise about 39 000 programmes for some 2.38 million participants in 2020-21 at an estimated cost of \$205 million. These programmes include district-based activities such as sports training courses, recreational activities and competitions, as well as the School Sports Programme, Sport For All Day, events such as the Corporate Games and Hong Kong Games (HKG). To encourage wider and more regular participation in sports, the LCSD will continue to provide programmes to meet the needs of specific target groups, including programmes designated for persons with disabilities; activities suitable for participation by parents and children together such as parent-child training programmes in badminton, social dance, orienteering and ultimate; programmes targeting at young people such as track cycling, sailing, canoeing and long distance run; and less physically demanding activities such as dance, body-mind stretch, and fitness walking for the physically less active population.
- (b) & (d) Details of the district-based activities organised by the LCSD in 2019-20 and 2020-21 are listed below:

	Number of activities organised		Estimated expenditure (\$ million)		Number of participants <sup>(1)</sup>	
	2019-20 <sup>(2)</sup>	2020-21 (Planned)	2019-20 <sup>(2)</sup>	2020-21	2019-20 <sup>(2)</sup>	2020-21 (Planned)
Sports training courses and recreational activities	26 826	30 054	127.3	136.0	1 494 000	1 594 128
Sports competitions	354	382	16.0	16.2	102 918	118 721

### Notes

- (1) The LCSD does not maintain records on the resident status of the participants in its programmes and activities.
- (2) Due to social incidents and the novel coronavirus epidemic, relatively fewer activities were held in 2019-20 leading to fewer participants and less estimated expenditure.
- (c) & (e) Details of other sports and recreation programmes organised by the LCSD in 2019-20 and 2020-21 are set out below:

Programme/Event	Estimated expenditure (\$ million)		Number of participants <sup>(1)</sup>	
	2019-20	2020-21	2019-20	2020-21 (Planned)
School Sports Programme <sup>(2)</sup>	24.7	34.8	537 545	639 390
Hong Kong Games <sup>(3)</sup>	30.0	13.6	876 672	56 290
Corporate Games 2020 <sup>(4)</sup>	0.3	1.5	-	9 000
Masters Games 2020 <sup>(4)</sup>	-	0.9	-	5 100
Sport For All Day	4.58	4.56	184 520	190 000

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- (1) The LCSD does not maintain records on the resident status of the participants in its programmes and activities.
- (2) Relatively less estimated expenditure and fewer participants were involved in 2019-20 due to social incidents and the novel coronavirus epidemic.
- (3) The Hong Kong Games (HKG) is a biennial event. The 7th HKG was held from 2018 to 2019 whilst the 8th HKG will be held from 2020 to 2021. Relatively less expenditure and fewer participants were/will be involved in the publicity and promotional activities in the first year (i.e. 2018 and 2020) and more expenditure and participants were/will be involved in the second year (i.e. 2019 and 2021) when the majority of the sports competitions and community participation programmes were/are held.
- (4) The Corporate Games and the Masters Games are biennial events. The Corporate Games 2020 will be held from April to November 2020 whereas the Masters Games 2020 will be held from June to December 2020.