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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

(Question Serial No. 4331)

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

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (4) Performing Arts

<u>Controlling Officer</u>: Director of Leisure and Cultural Services (Vincent LIU)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Home Affairs

Question:

1. Please state the total expenditure on grants provided by the Government to local arts groups for performance exchange in the Greater Bay Area last year;

- 2. Further to the above, please tabulate the following information regarding the above grants:
 - a. Name of arts group
 - b. Genre
 - c. Title
 - d. Amount of grant
 - e. Place where performances were staged
 - f. Attendance rate
- 3. Did the Government provide grants to arts groups from the Greater Bay Area for performance exchange in Hong Kong last year? If so, please tabulate the following information regarding the above grants:
 - a. Name of arts group
 - b. Genre
 - c. Title
 - d. Amount of grant
 - e. Attendance rate

Asked by: Hon CHAN Tanya (LegCo internal reference no.: 297)

Reply:

The estimated expenditure for the organisation of cultural exchange programmes in the Greater Bay Area and Hong Kong by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department for 2019-20 is \$22.69 million which covers programme commissioning fee, direct production costs (artist fee, production costs and transportation), publicity and other related expenses.

The numbers of arts groups and exchange programmes in the Greater Bay Area and Hong Kong supported by the above funding are set out in the table below.

	Art Forms	No. of Arts Groups	No. of Programmes (Activities)	Attendance Rates	Cities
Programmes staged	Music	13	13 (30)	70%	Zhongshan,
in the Greater Bay	Dance	3	3 (16)		Huizhou,
Area	Theatre	5	5 (20)		Zhuhai,
	Cantonese	2	2 (5)		Dongguan,
	Opera				Shenzhen,
	Multi-Arts	2	2 (13)		Guangzhou,
			, ,		Foshan
Commissioning	Music	10	8 (29)(1)	60%	Under
programmes planned	Dance	2	2 (6)		planning
for touring in the	Cantonese	1	1 (10)		
Greater Bay Area	Opera				
	Multi-Arts	3	3 (20)		
Inbound	Cantonese	1	1 (1)	69%	Hong Kong
programmes by arts	Opera				
groups from the					
Greater Bay Area					
Total		42	40 (150)		

$\underline{\text{Note}}$

(1) The tour performances of some of the commissioned programmes planned to be staged in Hong Kong were cancelled or postponed due to the epidemic.