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Question:

Kwai Chung Park has been lying idle since the completion of construction works in 2000. What is the specific timetable for its opening? Will funding be allocated by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department in 2020-21 to improve the facilities of the Park so as to bring it up to the required standard for opening to the public? What are the details and the estimated manpower involved?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Tanya (LegCo internal reference no.: 315)

Reply:

The proposed Kwai Chung Park is one of the 26 sports and recreation projects to be launched in the coming 5 years as announced in the Policy Address in January 2017. The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) has been working closely with stakeholders including relevant government departments and the Kwai Tsing District Council (KwTDC) in planning for the project. Subsequent to the support of KwTDC on the revised project scope obtained in September 2017, the revised Project Definition Statement and Technical Feasibility Statement were approved in May 2018 and February 2019 respectively. The Architectural Services Department is working on the design for the project and the LCSD will consult the KwTDC on the design in due course. The Government aims at seeking funding approval for the project from the Legislative Council in the legislative year 2020-21 for commencement of works by end-2021.

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