

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**HAB326**

**(Question Serial No. 6695)**

Head: (95) Leisure and Cultural Services Department

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Controlling Officer: Director of Leisure and Cultural Services (Vincent LIU)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Home Affairs

Question:

- 1) Please state the current manpower of a) departmental cleansing workers and b) outsourced cleansing workers deployed for the following venues (items 1-9) managed by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) in various districts:
  - 1) water sports facilities
  - 2) children's facilities
  - 3) holiday camps
  - 4) land-based sports facilities
  - 5) libraries
  - 6) museums
  - 7) parks and zoological and botanical gardens
  - 8) performance venues
  - 9) other facilities and venues
- 2) Please state the current manpower of a) departmental horticulture workers and b) outsourced horticulture workers in various districts.
- 3) Since the outbreak of the epidemic (in January 2020), how many times have cleansing workers been deployed to carry out epidemic-related cleansing duties in various districts including (1) entering and cleaning housing units with confirmed cases; (2) collecting garbage from housing units with confirmed cases; (3) cleaning streets or facilities in the vicinity of housing units with confirmed cases; (4) cleaning isolation centres; (5) cleaning premises visited or public transport facilities used by the patients, and (6) collecting garbage from housing units used for self-isolation. How many a) departmental cleansing workers and b) outsourced cleansing workers were deployed respectively on each occasion?

Asked by: Hon CHU Hoi-dick (LegCo internal reference no.: 6023)

Reply:

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) engages contractors to provide cleansing and horticultural maintenance services for its venues. The total numbers of outsourced workers providing cleansing services and horticultural maintenance services are 6 167 and 968 respectively. The LCSD does not have a breakdown of the number of outsourced cleansing workers and horticulture workers by venues in various districts. The number of departmental horticulture workers providing horticultural maintenance services by district is set out at **Annex**.

The LCSD manages a total of 4 holiday camps, namely Lei Yue Mun Park, Lady MacLehose Holiday Village, Sai Kung Outdoor Recreation Centre, and Tso Kung Tam Outdoor Recreation Centre. Since January this year, the above 4 holiday camps have been converted to quarantine centres or temporary accommodation to support the implementation of the Government's anti-epidemic measures. The LCSD has deployed a total of 60 workers employed by outsourced cleansing contractors to provide cleansing and garbage collection services within the facilities on a daily basis. Whereas the provision of cleansing and garbage collection services for housing units with confirmed cases in other districts falls outside the duty of the LCSD, such information is not available.

**Annex to Reply Serial No. HAB326**

**Number of Departmental Horticulture Workers by District**

<b>District</b>	<b>Number of Departmental Horticulture Workers</b>
Eastern	47
Wan Chai	51
Sham Shui Po	46
Central and Western	85
Southern	34
Yau Tsim Mong	28
Kowloon City	79
Kwun Tong	77
Wong Tai Sin	71
Sai Kung	43
Tai Po	59
Sha Tin	49
North	40
Tuen Mun	69
Yuen Long	36
Tsuen Wan	61
Islands	22
Kwai Tsing	28
<b>Total</b>	<b>925</b>

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