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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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

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

Programme: (1) Recreation and Sports

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

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Home Affairs

Question:

Please reply by providing the following information in a table:

- (1) A breakdown of the attendance figures for land-based sports facilities, holiday camps and water sports facilities under the management of the Department in the past 3 years;
- (2) A breakdown of the area, number of permanent staff, posts, maintenance and other operational expenditures involved for each of the facilities;
- (3) What is the number of drinking fountains provided at the facilities? Does the Government have any plans to increase or reduce the numbers of those 3 types of facilities in 2020-21? If so, please provide a breakdown of the locations selected, manpower, sports ground facilities, site areas, expenditures involved and the facility-to-population ratios in the districts concerned;
- (4) A breakdown of the number of three-colour waste separation bins provided at the facilities and the number of plastic bottles collected for recycling each year;
- (5) Does the Government have any plans to provide additional drinking fountains and beverage vending machines at these facilities? If so, what are the estimated expenditures involved?

Asked by: Hon KWOK Ka-ki (LegCo internal reference no.: 116)

Reply:

(1) The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) manages a wide variety of recreation and sports facilities including 101 sports centres, 25 sports grounds, 82 turf pitches (including 2 stadia), 252 tennis courts, 1 604 parks and playgrounds, 4 holiday camps and 5 water sports centres. The usage rates of major sports facilities including sports centres (arena), sports grounds, turf pitches and tennis courts as well as the attendance of holiday camps and water sports centres managed by the LCSD in the past 3 years are set out at **Annex**.

- (2) As most of the sports facilities concerned form part of the public leisure venues which are managed by the same team of staff, the LCSD does not have separate figures on the area of respective facilities as well as manpower, maintenance and other operational expenditures involved for each of the facilities.
- (3) The information of drinking fountains managed by the LCSD can be found in the "data.gov.hk" portal:

https://data.gov.hk/en-data/dataset/hk-lcsd-facwd-fac-wd-list

The following facilities are now under construction for completion tentatively in 2020-21, and will be opened for public use after completion of all necessary preparation works and installation of equipment. Details are as follows:

Project Title	District	Major Sports Facilities	Site Area (hectare)	Estimated Cost for the Sports Facilities (\$ million)	Projected Population of the District in 2020
Sports Centre,	Tai Po	Sports	2.5	2,163.1 Note	312 200
Community Hall and		Centre,			
Football Pitches in		Swimming			
Area 1, Tai Po		Pool and			
		Football			
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Sports Centre,	Sham Shui		0.74	1,564.6 Note	447 800
5-a-side Soccer Pitch	Po				
and Public Library					
Facilities at		C 4			
Northwest Kowloon		Sports			
Reclamation Site 6,		Centre			
Sham Shui Po					
Sports Centre at Choi	Kwun Tong		0.66	609.6	695 600
Wing Road					

Note: This is the total estimated cost of the whole project which also covers other facilities. There is no cost breakdown for the sports facilities.

(4) The number of waste separation bins provided at land-based sports facilities, holiday camps, water sports facilities and golf centre is set out below:

Types of Facilities	Land-based Sports Facilities	Holiday Camps	Water Sports Centres cum Golf Centre
Number of waste separation bins Note	1 172	37	14

Note: Including three-colour waste separation bins, four-in-one collection bins (i.e. combined waste separation and litter bins) and bottle-shaped collection bins.

The LCSD does not have breakdown figures on the number of plastic bottles collected for recycling each year.

(5) The LCSD is planning to provide over 80 additional drinking fountains at various leisure venues. As the proposed works are at initial planning stage, works expenditure is not available. Furthermore, the LCSD will assess public demand and operational needs from time to time to consider installing additional beverage vending machines at venues where appropriate.

Usage of Major Sports Facilities and Attendance of Holiday Camps and Water Sports Centres in the Past 3 Years

Usage Rate

Type of facilities	2017	2018	2019
Sports Centres (Arena)	85%	86%	88%
Sports Grounds	99%	99%	99%
Tennis Courts	63%	65%	66%
Turf Pitches	74%	72%	73%

Attendance Rate

Type of facilities	2017	2018	2019
Holiday Camps	510 000	505 000	456 000
Water Sports Centres	120 000	113 000	106 000