

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY****HAB365****(Question Serial No. 3744)**Head: (95) Leisure and Cultural Services DepartmentSubhead (No. & title): (-) Not SpecifiedProgramme: (3) Heritage and MuseumsControlling Officer: Director of Leisure and Cultural Services (Vincent LIU)Director of Bureau: Secretary for Home AffairsQuestion:

The work of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department in operating museums is to provide a balanced mix of programmes for enhancing public appreciation of arts and culture. Please inform this Committee of the following with a breakdown by fee-charging museums across Hong Kong:

- a. What are the actual and estimated staff establishments of each museum in the 2019-20 and 2020-21 financial years?
- b. What is the total expenditure of each museum in the 2019-20 financial year?
- c. What is the estimated expenditure of each museum in the 2020-21 financial year?
- d. What are the attendance figures for each museum on weekdays and holidays in the 2019-20 financial year?

Asked by: Hon MA Fung-kwok (LegCo internal reference no.: 40)Reply:

- a. to c. The staff establishment and the estimated recurrent expenditure (excluding staff salaries) of the fee-charging museums under the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) in 2019-20 and 2020-21 are set out in the following table.

Museums	Number of Staff Establishment		Estimated Expenditure	
	As at 1 April 2019 (Actual)	As at 1 April 2020 (Projected)	2019-20 (\$ million)	2020-21 (\$ million)
Hong Kong Science Museum	106	111	81.39	77.39
Hong Kong Space Museum	82	82	43.26	37.76

- d. The attendance figures of the fee-charging museums under the LCSD in 2019-20 (as at 28 January 2020) are set out in the following table.

<b>Museum</b>	<b>Attendance in 2019-20 (as at 28 January 2020)<sup>Note</sup></b>			
	<b>Free Admission Days</b>	<b>Weekdays</b>	<b>Weekends and Public Holidays</b>	<b>Total</b>
Hong Kong Science Museum	189 213	305 520	381 080	875 813
Hong Kong Space Museum	122 358	220 660	309 847	652 865

Note

All LCSD museums have been temporarily closed since 29 January 2020 due to the epidemic.

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