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Controlling Officer: Director of Leisure and Cultural Services

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Question:

- (a) Please provide a breakdown of the amounts of subvention granted to individual national sports associations (NSAs) in each of the past three years (i.e. 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13). Has the Administration conducted independent auditing of individual NSAs on a regular basis? Over the past three years (i.e. 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13), have any NSAs violated the subvention agreements entered into with the Administration? If so, what are the details?
- (b) Apart from distributing the Best Practice Reference for Governance to the NSAs, will the Government allocate more resources or manpower to ensure proper use of the funds in 2013-14? What are the details of the measures?

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Reply:

(a) The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) provides subvention to "national sports associations" (NSAs) through the Sports Subvention Scheme (the Scheme) to support the promotion and development of sport in Hong Kong. The breakdown of the subvention granted to individual NSAs in the past three years is at Annex.

Under the Subvention Agreement signed between LCSD and the individual NSAs, NSAs are required to allow the Government and the Audit Commission unhindered access to examine and audit all records and accounts in respect of their subvention, and submit to LCSD their programme reports and annual audited accounts in a timely manner for monitoring. In addition to examining reports and accounts submitted by NSAs, LCSD staff conduct quality assurance audits periodically on NSAs' compliance with the Subvention Agreement including the accounting and procurement procedures. In the past, the main area of NSAs' non-compliance with the Subvention Agreement is the late submission of evaluation reports. With the introduction of a simplified reporting system since 2011, the performance of NSAs in this aspect has improved significantly.

(b) The Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) published a "Best Practice Reference for Governance of National Sports Associations" in December 2011 to provide guidance on the principles and best practices of good governance and internal control for adoption by NSAs. Apart from working with ICAC to promote the Best Practice Reference to the NSAs, the LCSD has redeployed resources to develop a new computerised system to facilitate more effective monitoring of NSAs' performance and use of subvention. The system will be launched in 2013-14.

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Subvention to National Sports Associations

Name of National Sports Association	2010-11 (\$)	2011-12 (\$)	2012-13 (\$)
1. Hong Kong Archery Association	1,385,862	1,537,579	1,754,138
2. Hong Kong Amateur Athletic Association Limited	4,487,120	5,534,316	5,667,511
3. Hong Kong Badminton Association Limited	10,278,774	10,939,255	15,139,191
4. Hong Kong Baseball Association Limited	3,419,609	3,698,559	4,086,631
5. Hong Kong Basketball Association	9,203,100	8,782,125	10,131,442
6. Hong Kong Billiard Sports Control Council Company Limited	1,868,780	2,756,278	2,907,105
7. Hong Kong China Bodybuilding and Fitness Association	750,796	791,744	855,974
8. Hong Kong Boxing Association	959,711	1,125,355	1,214,223
9. Hong Kong Canoe Union	2,726,170	3,172,769	3,060,310
10. Hong Kong Chinese Martial Arts Dragon And Lion Dance Association Limited	1,873,304	1,838,961	1,869,907
11. Hong Kong Cricket Association	2,600,387	2,880,411	2,962,858
12. Hong Kong Cycling Association	6,619,220	7,651,780	7,543,630
13. Hong Kong DanceSport Association Limited	2,318,150	3,050,682	3,272,163
14. Hong Kong Dragon Boat Association	1,715,150	1,500,648	1,828,509
15. Hong Kong Equestrian Federation	1,493,686	1,527,753	1,922,050
16. Hong Kong Fencing Association	4,979,080	5,433,025	5,663,139
17. The Hong Kong Football Association Limited	8,920,534	10,382,123	12,089,499
18. Hong Kong, China Gateball Association Company Limited	1,031,483	1,309,601	1,496,682
19. Hong Kong Golf Association Limited	1,463,518	1,449,650	1,562,744
20. The Gymnastics Association of Hong Kong, China	4,557,600	4,814,213	5,267,442
21. Handball Association of Hong Kong, China Limited	4,589,230	5,052,246	5,475,505
22. Hong Kong Hockey Association	2,137,573	2,196,950	2,451,809
23. Hong Kong Ice Hockey Association Limited	766,021	734,406	946,126
24. The Judo Association of Hong Kong, China Limited	2,700,968	2,706,626	2,825,853
25. The Karatedo Federation of Hong Kong, China Limited	2,119,136	2,537,990	2,661,055
26. Hong Kong Kart Club Limited	517,924	477,623	495,107
27. Hong Kong Kendo Association Limited	753,216	668,190	718,190
28. Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association	1,892,870	1,872,883	2,314,113
29. The Hong Kong Life Saving Society	4,492,215	4,954,196	4,809,684
30. China Hong Kong Mountaineering and Climbing Union Limited	2,157,508	2,506,317	2,914,045
31. Hong Kong Netball Association	880,252	1,046,030	1,262,144
32. Orienteering Association of Hong Kong	2,124,668	2,375,502	2,674,711
33. Hong Kong Federation of Roller Sports Limited	1,692,865	1,721,529	1,985,464
34. Hong Kong, China Rowing Association	6,549,611	6,638,619	7,173,899
35. Hong Kong Rugby Football Union	3,923,644	4,002,665	4,375,997
36. Hong Kong Sailing Federation	968,724	887,444	1,101,699

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Name of National Sports Association	2010-11 (\$)	2011-12 (\$)	2012-13 (\$)
37. Hong Kong Schools Sports Federation	6,600,230	7,078,400	6,939,305
38. Hong Kong Shooting Association	2,597,786	2,546,188	2,598,165
39. Hong Kong Shuttlecock Association Limited	732,743	801,238	834,805
40. Hong Kong Skating Union Limited	1,030,614	986,857	1,028,008
41. Hong Kong Softball Association	1,232,569	1,416,081	1,659,043
42. Hong Kong Sports Association of the Deaf	476,937	648,054	691,234
43. Hong Kong Sports Association for the Mentally Handicapped	5,357,704	6,235,454	6,355,548
44. Hong Kong Paralympic Committee & Sports Association for the Physically Disabled	5,083,992	6,207,071	6,353,382
45. Hong Kong Squash	10,201,665	10,674,707	11,303,622
46. Hong Kong Amateur Swimming Association	8,943,425	9,799,528	9,800,206
47. Hong Kong Table Tennis Association	10,009,906	10,615,685	14,716,592
48. Hong Kong Taekwondo Association	1,995,254	2,143,125	2,119,491
49. Hong Kong Tennis Association Limited	6,575,498	7,523,678	8,021,498
50. Hong Kong Tenpin Bowling Congress Limited	4,429,751	4,488,438	4,689,570
51. Hong Kong Triathlon Association	4,155,227	4,108,269	4,010,578
52. Hong Kong Underwater Association Limited	1,061,719	935,232	1,213,522
53. The University Sports Federation of Hong Kong, China	650,969	1,346,939	885,828
54. Volleyball Association of Hong Kong, China	7,598,248	7,718,231	5,650,736
55. Hong Kong Water Ski Association Limited	656,552	663,362	687,698
56. Hong Kong Weightlifting and Powerlifting Association	858,180	833,655	867,058
57. Windsurfing Association of Hong Kong	7,743,791	7,910,402	8,201,298
58. Hong Kong Wushu Union Limited	3,872,770	3,611,350	4,003,515