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Question (Member Question No. 40):

During 2014-15, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) will continue to enhance utilisation of existing sports facilities. In this connection, will the Administration inform this Committee of:

- a. the usage rates of the sports facilities or venues of the LCSD, by district, in the past three years (i.e. from 2011-12 to 2013-14); and
- b. the strategies or measures for enhancing the utilisation of sports facilities?

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Reply:

- a. The usage rates of major sports facilities managed by Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) in the past three years (2011-2013) are set out at the Annexes I to VI.
- b. To encourage greater use of its sports facilities especially during non-peak hours, the LCSD will continue to allow free use of selected sports facilities by schools, subvented non-government organisations, "national sports associations" and district sports associations during non-peak hours (i.e., from opening till 5 p.m. on weekdays between September and June of the following year). Moreover, people with disabilities, citizens aged 60 or above and full time students can enjoy concessionary rates in the use of selected sports facilities during peak and non-peak hours. In view of the success of the Public Swimming Pools Monthly Ticket Scheme (the Scheme) in encouraging regular and year-round swimming and in boosting the usage of public swimming pools, the LCSD will step up the promotion of the Scheme and convert more of its existing swimming pools into heated ones. In addition, the Department will continue to upgrade the standard of its sports facilities and organise large-scale promotional activities such as the Sport for All Day, as well as fun days, training courses and competitions to promote the use of sports facilities.

Usage of sports centres (Arena) in the past three years (from 2011 - 2013)

| District | Average Usage Rate (%) | | |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 |
| Hong Kong | | | |
| Eastern | 84% | 85% | 86% |
| Southern | 68% | 70% | 73% |
| Central and Western | 80% | 81% | 82% |
| Wan Chai | 86% | 87% | 87% |
| Kowloon | | | |
| Yau Tsim Mong | 83% | 83% | 86% |
| Sham Shui Po | 78% | 77% | 81% |
| Kowloon City | 76% | 76% | 81% |
| Wong Tai Sin | 75% | 77% | 79% |
| Kwun Tong | 76% | 77% | 79% |
| New Territories | | | |
| Islands | 56% | 59% | 60% |
| Kwai Tsing | 79% | 81% | 81% |
| Tsuen Wan | 81% | 84% | 85% |
| Tuen Mun | 78% | 78% | 80% |
| Yuen Long | 82% | 80% | 79% |
| Sha Tin | 86% | 87% | 89% |
| Tai Po | 79% | 81% | 82% |
| North | 81% | 83% | 82% |
| Sai Kung | 81% | 82% | 82% |
| TOTAL | 78% | 79% | 81% |

Usage of sports grounds in the past three years (from 2011 - 2013)

| District | Average Usage Rate (%) | | |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 |
| Hong Kong | | | |
| Eastern | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Southern | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Wan Chai | 100% | 100% | 96% |
| Kowloon | | | |
| Sham Shui Po | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Kowloon City | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Wong Tai Sin | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Kwun Tong | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| New Territories | | | |
| Islands | 92% | 90% | 92% |
| Kwai Tsing | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Tsuen Wan | 98% | 98% | 100% |
| Tuen Mun | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Yuen Long | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Sha Tin | 97% | 97% | 97% |
| Tai Po | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| North | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Sai Kung | 95% | 100% | 100% |
| TOTAL | 99% | 99% | 99% |

Usage of artificial and natural turf soccer pitches in the past three years (from 2011– 2013)

| District | Average Usage Rate (%) | | |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 |
| Hong Kong | | | |
| Eastern | 80% | 82% | 84% |
| Southern | 72% | 54% | 75% |
| Central and Western | 76% | 80% | 75% |
| Wan Chai | 75% | 77% | 70% |
| Kowloon | | | |
| Yau Tsim Mong | 86% | 84% | 86% |
| Sham Shui Po | 78% | 84% | 82% |
| Kowloon City | 74% | 74% | 74% |
| Wong Tai Sin | 68% | 70% | 72% |
| Kwun Tong | 77% | 75% | 76% |
| New Territories | | | |
| Islands | 75% | 79% | 79% |
| Kwai Tsing | 70% | 70% | 74% |
| Tuen Mun | 59% | 57% | 74% |
| Sha Tin | 70% | 67% | 70% |
| Tai Po | 67% | 68% | 67% |
| North | 78% | 77% | 71% |
| Sai Kung | 58% | 60% | 62% |
| TOTAL | 73% | 73% | 74% |

Remarks :

Usage rates of natural turf soccer pitches were 100% in the past three years.

Usage of tennis courts in the past three years (from 2011 - 2013)

| District | Average Usage Rate (%) | | |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 |
| Hong Kong | | | |
| Eastern | 74% | 76% | 80% |
| Southern | 71% | 76% | 80% |
| Wan Chai | 77% | 79% | 80% |
| Kowloon | | | |
| Yau Tsim Mong | 65% | 69% | 70% |
| Sham Shui Po | 56% | 58% | 60% |
| Kowloon City | 64% | 69% | 64% |
| Wong Tai Sin | 53% | 56% | 56% |
| Kwun Tong | 52% | 53% | 54% |
| New Territories | | | |
| Islands | 17% | 17% | 18% |
| Kwai Tsing | 43% | 44% | 44% |
| Tsuen Wan | 45% | 46% | 48% |
| Tuen Mun | 38% | 38% | 38% |
| Yuen Long | 46% | 48% | 52% |
| Sha Tin | 56% | 56% | 56% |
| Tai Po | 56% | 57% | 59% |
| North | 44% | 45% | 44% |
| Sai Kung | 65% | 65% | 70% |
| TOTAL | 58% | 60% | 61% |

Usage of squash courts in the past three years (from 2011 - 2013)

| District | Average Usage Rate (%) | | |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 |
| Hong Kong | | | |
| Eastern | 62% | 65% | 65% |
| Southern | 39% | 45% | 43% |
| Central and Western | 49% | 51% | 50% |
| Wan Chai | 36% | 37% | 46% |
| Kowloon | | | |
| Yau Tsim Mong | 55% | 57% | 63% |
| Sham Shui Po | 46% | 48% | 56% |
| Kowloon City | 35% | 37% | 41% |
| Wong Tai Sin | 55% | 55% | 59% |
| Kwun Tong | 44% | 44% | 47% |
| New Territories | | | |
| Islands | 30% | 30% | 32% |
| Kwai Tsing | 61% | 62% | 61% |
| Tsuen Wan | 78% | 78% | 81% |
| Tuen Mun | 58% | 59% | 60% |
| Yuen Long | 57% | 58% | 54% |
| Sha Tin | 67% | 71% | 74% |
| Tai Po | 50% | 54% | 60% |
| North | 78% | 75% | 75% |
| Sai Kung | 64% | 62% | 60% |
| TOTAL | 54% | 55% | 58% |

Attendance of public swimming pools in the past three years (from 2011-2013)

| District | 2011 (nos) | 2012 (nos) | 2013 (nos.) |
|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Hong Kong | | | |
| Southern | 166 676 | 156 322 | 152 498 |
| Central and Western | 241 135 | 606 522 | 620 042 |
| Wan Chai | 772 391 | 693 767 | 719 165 |
| Eastern | 766 155 | 814 831 | 964 508 |
| Kowloon | | | |
| Sham Shui Po | 724 081 | 850 936 | 1 006 656 |
| Yau Tsim Mong | 1 021 782 | 1 038 240 | 1 059 340 |
| Kowloon City | 494 930 | 515 103 | 509 161 |
| Wong Tai Sin | 613 970 | 647 708 | 536 415 |
| Kwun Tong | 416 508 | 469 043 | 1 340 179 |
| New Territories | | | |
| Islands | 211 248 | 245 955 | 280 962 |
| Tuen Mun | 372 351 | 407 041 | 784 236 |
| Yuen Long | 598 228 | 773 749 | 840 495 |
| Tsuen Wan | 593 954 | 613 321 | 628 208 |
| Kwai Tsing | 467 242 | 472 049 | 478 351 |
| North | 417 787 | 426 399 | 417 974 |
| Tai Po | 270 195 | 272 747 | 269 599 |
| Sha Tin | 901 107 | 928 998 | 954 917 |
| Sai Kung | 490 692 | 538 575 | 502 818 |
| TOTAL | 9 540 432 | 10 471 306 | 12 065 524 |