Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2013-14

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION

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Programme: (2) Horticulture and Amenities

Controlling Officer: Director of Leisure and Cultural Services

<u>Director of Bureau</u>: Secretary for Home Affairs

Question:

- (a) How many community planting days did the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) organise in 2012-13? What were the details, planting locations, event dates, number of participants and expenditure involved?
- (b) How many community planting days will the LCSD organise in 2013-14? What are the details, planting locations, event dates and estimated expenditure involved?
- (c) LCSD has indicated that it will encourage schools to participate in school greening activities through the "One Person, One Flower" Scheme and Greening School Subsidy Scheme in 2013-14. What are the details and estimated expenditure?

Asked by: Hon. CHAN Ka-lok, Kenneth

Reply:

- (a) In 2012-13, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) organised 22 community planting days in 18 districts, attracting more than 4 900 participants. The total expenditure incurred was about \$0.8 million. Detailed information on the community planting days is at the Annex.
- (b) In 2013-14, LCSD will organise 24 community planting days in 18 districts. Since some of the planned events will be organised in partnership with other organisations including the District Councils, the details of community planting days in 2013-14 have to be further discussed with them and are yet to be finalised.
- (c) LCSD will continue to organise the "One Person, One Flower" Scheme and Greening School Subsidy Scheme in 2013-14 for local secondary, primary, special schools and kindergartens with the aim of promoting a "green" culture among schools and students. Details of the schemes are as follows:

The "One Person, One Flower" Scheme

1 100 schools will join the Scheme in 2013-14. The *Impatiens hawkeri* (新畿內亞鳳仙) will be adopted as the theme flower and around 420 000 seedlings will be distributed to participating students. The estimated expenditure in 2013-14 is about \$0.57 million.

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The Greening School Subsidy Scheme

900 schools will join the Scheme in 2013-14. Participating schools may apply for a subsidy to carry out greening school projects in the form of tree planting, garden plot projects, horticultural maintenance and greening activities. The estimated expenditure in 2013-14 is about \$4.9 million, which includes subsidies for participating schools and employment of horticulture instructors.

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Details of the Community Planting Days in 2012-13

<u>Item</u>	<u>District</u>	Planting Location	Event Date
1	Kwai Tsing	Tsing Yi Northeast Park	11.5.2012
2	Kwun Tong	Choi Wing Road Park	2.6.2012
3	Wong Tai Sin	Po Kong Village Road Park	16.6.2012
4	Central & Western	Sun Yat Sen Memorial Park	24.6.2012
5	Tuen Mun	Wing Fat Lane Sitting Out Area	7.7.2012
6	Yuen Long	Sheung Tsuen Park	28.9.2012
7	Kowloon City	Ho Man Tin Park	6.10.2012
8	North	Po Wing Road Playground	20.10.2012
9	Sai Kung	Fuk Man Garden	20.10.2012
10	Sham Shui Po	Nam Cheong Park	3.11.2012
11	Yau Tsim Mong	Cox's Road Children Playground	10.11.2012
12	Sha Tin	Ma On Shan Park	17.11.2012
13	Wan Chai	Coombe Road Children's Playground	23.11.2012
14	Tsuen Wan	Tsuen Wan Park	23.11.2012
15	Central & Western	Hong Kong Park	25.11.2012
16	Southern	Ap Lei Chau Wind Tower Park	1.12.2012
17	Islands	Tung Chung North Park	8.12.2012
18	Tai Po	Tai Po Waterfront Park	15.12.2012
19	Tai Po	Tai Po Old Market Playground	25.1.2013
20	Tuen Mun	Tuen Mun North West Swimming Pool (Car Park)	26.1.2013
21	Tsuen Wan	Tsuen Wan Park	27.1.2013
22	Eastern	Aldrich Bay Park	23.2.2013

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