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Question:

Will the Leisure and Cultural Services Department continue to convert the existing swimming pools into heated pools or expedite the planned conversion projects? What are the details of the work and the estimated manpower involved?

Asked by: Hon. KWOK Ka-ki

Reply:

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) will provide more indoor heated swimming pools through converting or redeveloping existing swimming pools or building new pools. Two redevelopment projects will be completed in 2013. The details are as follows:

(a) The redevelopment of Kwun Tong Swimming Pool Complex (KTSPC) has been completed and the new complex has come into operation since 1 April 2013. The complex provides a 50 metre (m) x 25 m indoor heated main pool, an indoor heated multi-purpose pool and three outdoor pools. In addition to the existing manpower of the KTSPC, additional resources of 21 net new civil services posts are involved to help manage the upgraded facilities.

(b) The redevelopment of Victoria Park Swimming Pool Complex (VSPC) will be completed in the second quarter of 2013. We expect the new complex to come into operation in the third quarter of 2013. This is an indoor heated pool complex providing a 50 m x 25 m main pool and a multi-purpose pool. In addition to the existing manpower of the VSPC, additional resources of 17 new civil service posts are involved to help manage the upgraded facilities.

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