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Question:

In connection with “develop the new intelligent sports and recreation services booking and information system”,

- please provide information on the numbers of successful bookings of government sports facilities through the Leisure Link System and the turn up and usage rates in each of the past 3 years (i.e. 2018-2020) in the table below:

| District | Type of sports facilities/venues | Number of booking made via the Leisure Link System | Turn up and usage rate |
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- What is the commissioning date for the new system? Is there any deferment due to the impact of COVID-19? How will the system effectively promote and enhance community-wide participation in sports? Has any target been set for reviewing the effectiveness of the new system? If so, what are the details? If not, what are the reasons?
- What will be the estimated expenditure involved in the development of the new intelligent sports and recreation services booking and information system?

Asked by: Hon LUK Chung-hung (LegCo internal reference no.: 58)

Reply:

- Currently, all bookings of major sports facilities managed by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) are handled by the Leisure Link System. The total numbers of used hours/sessions and the average usage rate of major sports facilities in the past 3 years are set out at **Annex**.

- The new intelligent sports and recreation services booking and information system (the new system) will provide efficient, convenient and user-friendly booking service which can encourage members of the public to participate in sports regularly. The new system will provide a unified and one-stop electronic service platform to enable the public to enquire about and book sports and recreation facilities/services provided by the LCSD through the Internet and mobile apps anytime and anywhere. Users who create personal accounts under the new system will also be able to enjoy personalised services such as instant viewing of booking or enrolment records of sports and recreation facilities and programmes. The new system will be equipped with more powerful and convenient functions with greater flexibility which enable users to set specific selection criteria according to their needs and preferences when searching for and booking facilities and programmes. The new system will also provide more electronic payment methods to facilitate the public to make payment. In addition, the public can use the new smart self-service stations in about 270 leisure venues (including the 18 District Leisure Services Offices) for convenient services such as instant registration of personal accounts, self-service check-in of facility sessions and programmes. The LCSD would measure the performance of the new system, taking into account aspects such as patron registration, facility booking, programme enrolment, balloting, refund processing and usage of facilities. The COVID-19 pandemic has affected the progress of system development over the past year. Nevertheless, the system development team is pressing ahead with their work. It is expected that the core functions of Phase 1 and the enhanced functions of Phase 2 will be rolled out in 2023 and 2024 respectively.
- The implementation of the new system requires a non-recurrent expenditure of about \$500 million and a dedicated team of staff with a total staff cost of about \$77 million.

Total Used Hours/Sessions of Major Sports Facilities in 2018

| District | Sports Centres ¹ (Arena) | | Tennis Courts ² | | Turf Pitches ³ (Natural and artificial turf) | |
|-------------------------|--|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|--|--------------------|
| | Total Used Hours | Average Usage Rate | Total Used Hours | Average Usage Rate | Total Used Sessions | Average Usage Rate |
| Hong Kong Island | | | | | | |
| Central and Western | 217 437 | 89% | No provision | | 2 219 | 78% |
| Eastern | 188 323 | 89% | 66 051 | 81% | 5 198 | 81% |
| Southern | 119 355 | 77% | 30 281 | 82% | 4 331 | 67% |
| Wan Chai | 68 465 | 89% | 138 544 | 88% | 16 756 | 65% |
| Kowloon | | | | | | |
| Kowloon City | 159 453 | 90% | 43 471 | 64% | 7 598 | 84% |
| Kwun Tong | 221 663 | 85% | 48 082 | 59% | 10 914 | 77% |
| Sham Shui Po | 180 269 | 91% | 58 035 | 68% | 5 221 | 82% |
| Wong Tai Sin | 156 638 | 88% | 50 324 | 60% | 14 900 | 71% |
| Yau Tsim Mong | 203 019 | 93% | 34 133 | 77% | 4 418 | 71% |
| New Territories | | | | | | |
| Islands | 70 295 | 62% | 2 788 | 17% | 2 330 | 74% |
| Kwai Tsing | 209 897 | 82% | 30 971 | 52% | 2 794 | 70% |
| North | 116 268 | 82% | 12 136 | 48% | 3 147 | 73% |
| Sai Kung | 178 909 | 83% | 27 436 | 72% | 2 572 | 66% |
| Sha Tin | 182 222 | 91% | 65 878 | 59% | 5 576 | 71% |
| Tai Po | 130 398 | 85% | 25 694 | 60% | 4 422 | 67% |
| Tsuen Wan | 133 943 | 90% | 46 415 | 55% | 797 | 94% |
| Tuen Mun | 150 619 | 84% | 28 714 | 43% | 2 501 | 63% |
| Yuen Long | 219 063 | 85% | 21 672 | 57% | 2 972 | 76% |
| Total | 2 906 236 | 86% | 730 625 | 65% | 98 666 | 72% |

Notes

1. The arenas of sports centres are mainly used for badminton, basketball and volleyball.
2. No tennis court is provided in Central and Western District.
3. The turf pitches are hired on a 90-minute per session basis. As natural and artificial turf pitches are used inter-changeably to support the same types of sports and functions, their average usage rates are presented as one item for easier interpretation.

Total Used Hours/Sessions of Major Sports Facilities in 2019

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| | Total Used Hours | Average Usage Rate | Total Used Hours | Average Usage Rate | Total Used Sessions | Average Usage Rate |
| Hong Kong Island | | | | | | |
| Central and Western | 158 864 | 92% | No provision | | 2 208 | 71% |
| Eastern | 181 697 | 91% | 63 946 | 86% | 5 028 | 80% |
| Southern | 115 844 | 83% | 30 480 | 82% | 3 843 | 71% |
| Wan Chai | 61 554 | 92% | 138 350 | 83% | 16 531 | 66% |
| Kowloon | | | | | | |
| Kowloon City | 158 712 | 91% | 43 061 | 67% | 6 932 | 81% |
| Kwun Tong | 209 423 | 87% | 45 688 | 58% | 9 928 | 77% |
| Sham Shui Po | 170 011 | 91% | 60 272 | 69% | 6 277 | 83% |
| Wong Tai Sin | 143 439 | 90% | 55 689 | 64% | 14 603 | 71% |
| Yau Tsim Mong | 195 769 | 94% | 34 346 | 77% | 2 846 | 67% |
| New Territories | | | | | | |
| Islands | 69 387 | 66% | 2 720 | 17% | 816 | 78% |
| Kwai Tsing | 207 549 | 83% | 31 096 | 53% | 2 163 | 69% |
| North | 120 398 | 84% | 13 533 | 49% | 3 387 | 73% |
| Sai Kung | 180 348 | 85% | 28 491 | 77% | 2 584 | 71% |
| Sha Tin | 181 009 | 93% | 68 317 | 61% | 4 217 | 75% |
| Tai Po | 125 509 | 87% | 23 991 | 64% | 4 471 | 69% |
| Tsuen Wan | 143 479 | 89% | 47 624 | 59% | 743 | 94% |
| Tuen Mun | 142 410 | 87% | 30 618 | 46% | 2 580 | 68% |
| Yuen Long | 225 286 | 86% | 19 289 | 56% | 2 713 | 78% |
| Total | 2 790 688 | 88% | 737 511 | 66% | 91 870 | 73% |

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| | Total Used Hours | Average Usage Rate | Total Used Hours | Average Usage Rate | Total Used Sessions | Average Usage Rate |
| Hong Kong Island | | | | | | |
| Central and Western | 78 669 | 89% | No provision | | 823 | 76% |
| Eastern | 80 242 | 91% | 45 268 | 94% | 1 801 | 80% |
| Southern | 51 298 | 82% | 19 100 | 95% | 805 | 74% |
| Wan Chai | 23 506 | 88% | 97 412 | 93% | 5 932 | 68% |
| Kowloon | | | | | | |
| Kowloon City | 69 673 | 88% | 30 784 | 75% | 1 771 | 80% |
| Kwun Tong | 101 596 | 86% | 35 658 | 69% | 4 007 | 85% |
| Sham Shui Po | 79 274 | 90% | 41 992 | 76% | 1 644 | 84% |
| Wong Tai Sin | 58 077 | 85% | 40 657 | 73% | 4 814 | 74% |
| Yau Tsim Mong | 89 693 | 94% | 24 264 | 85% | 1 638 | 77% |
| New Territories | | | | | | |
| Islands | 27 655 | 54% | 1 901 | 19% | 896 | 82% |
| Kwai Tsing | 90 774 | 79% | 20 590 | 60% | 298 | 97% |
| North | 53 237 | 80% | 9 269 | 51% | 1 234 | 72% |
| Sai Kung | 76 137 | 85% | 20 277 | 88% | 901 | 68% |
| Sha Tin | 94 772 | 92% | 45 451 | 70% | 2 007 | 71% |
| Tai Po | 56 764 | 86% | 18 120 | 72% | 905 | 72% |
| Tsuen Wan | 60 733 | 88% | 34 081 | 68% | 256 | 65% |
| Tuen Mun | 69 756 | 84% | 20 137 | 51% | 846 | 63% |
| Yuen Long | 103 442 | 83% | 14 803 | 60% | 1 019 | 74% |
| Total | 1 265 298 | 85% | 519 764 | 75% | 31 597 | 75% |

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4. The sports facilities were closed a number of times in 2020 due to the pandemic.

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