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#### CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

## (Question Serial No. 0154)

<u>Head</u>: (95) Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not specified

<u>Programme</u>: (4) Performing Arts

Controlling Officer: Director of Leisure and Cultural Services (Vincent LIU)

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

### Question:

The Government has been actively promoting the development of arts and culture in the community by subsidising directly or indirectly the operation and performances of a large number of arts groups to enhance public interest in performing arts. Please provide the following information in the past 3 years:

The names of collaborating arts groups under the Community Arts Scheme (CAS) and their art forms;

The actual expenditure of the CAS by year and the amount of subsidies received by each arts group;

A breakdown of expenditure of each arts group on the CAS (e.g. remuneration for artistic and key personnel, production costs, publicity and administrative expenses); and

The number of activities held by each arts group under the CAS by year, their target audience and number of participants.

Asked by: Hon LEE Tsz-king, Dominic (LegCo internal reference no.: 6)

# Reply:

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) has been launching the Community Arts Scheme (CAS) in phases since 2019-20 to support the organisation of community arts activities by experienced small and medium arts groups. The CAS was launched in the Wan Chai and Sai Kung districts in 2019-20 as a start, extended to the Southern, Sham Shui Po, Islands and Kwun Tong districts in 2020-21, and further extended to cover all 18 districts across the territory in 2021-22. Details of the CAS launched from 2019-20 to 2021-22 are tabulated below:

| District             | CAS   | Art Form   | Target Audience                            |
|----------------------|---|--|--|
| 2019-20              |   |  |  |
| Wan Chai             | "Cantonese Opera-cum-Shadow Puppetry<br>for Youngsters" by Kim Sum Cantonese<br>Opera Association and Hong Kong Puppet<br>and Shadow Art Center       | Cantonese operatic song and traditional puppetry | Children and youngsters                    |
| Sai Kung             | "Cantonese Opera-cum-Shadow Puppetry<br>for Youngsters" by Love and Faith<br>Cantonese Opera Laboratory and Hong<br>Kong Puppet and Shadow Art Center | Cantonese operatic song and traditional puppetry | Children and youngsters                    |
|                      | "Body in Time" by Unlock Dancing Plaza  | Dance  | Elderly                                    |
| 2020-21              |   |  |  |
| Wan Chai             | "Cantonese Opera-cum-Shadow Puppetry<br>for Youngsters" by Kim Sum Cantonese<br>Opera Association and Hong Kong Puppet<br>and Shadow Art Center       | Cantonese operatic song and traditional puppetry | Children and youngsters                    |
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|                      | "Body in Time" by Unlock Dancing Plaza  | Dance  | Elderly                                    |
| Southern             | "Our Days Down South" by Bel Canto<br>Singers   | Musical  | Children,<br>youngsters<br>and the elderly |
| Kwun Tong            | "Dunhuang x Kwun Tong – Dialogue of<br>Past and Present", an ancient instruments<br>project by Hong Kong Gaudeamus<br>Dunhuang Ensemble               | Music  | Youngsters                                 |
| Sham Shui Po         | "When I was just a Little Kid" by<br>The Only Stage   | Drama  | All ages                                   |
| Islands              | "Defying Gravity" Musical Theatre<br>Scheme by Hong Kong 3 Arts<br>Musical Institute  | Musical  | All ages and ethnicities                   |
| 2021-22              |   |  |  |
| Central &<br>Western | "Project on Rebooting Arts in Central and<br>Western District" by Alice Theatre<br>Laboratory   | Drama  | All ages                                   |
| Eastern              | "Dance on E", a community dance project by Studiodanz   | Dance  | All ages                                   |
| Southern             | "Our Days Down South" by Bel<br>Canto Singers   | Musical  | Children,<br>youngsters<br>and the elderly |
| Wan Chai             | "Mountain No Mountain" by No<br>Discipline Limited  | Multimedia arts                                  | All ages                                   |
| Kowloon City         | "My Main Stage Music Production<br>Programme in Kowloon City" by 16th<br>Productions Limited  | Music  | All ages                                   |

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| Yau Tsim Mong | "Fantasie in Yau Tsim Mong" by<br>Actors' Family  | Musical  | All ages                 |
| Wong Tai Sin  | "Drumming Art – Energy and Power" by<br>Hong Kong Drum Ensemble   | Music  | All ages                 |
| Islands       | "Defying Gravity" Musical Theatre<br>Scheme by Hong Kong 3 Arts<br>Musical Institute  | Musical  | All ages and ethnicities |
| Kwai Tsing    | "Landing at Kwai Tsing – Songs for<br>Everyone" by Every Life Is A Song   | Music  | Young adults             |
|               | "Good Times of Kwai Tsing" Theatre<br>Project by Theatre Ronin  | Drama  | All ages                 |
| North         | "The Story about District in the North" by<br>Théâtre de la Feuille   | Drama  | Youngsters and adults    |
|               | "North District Harmonious Music<br>Project" by Hong Kong Harmonica<br>Association  | Music  | All ages                 |
| Sai Kung      | "Cantonese Opera-cum-Shadow Puppetry<br>for Youngsters" by Love and Faith<br>Cantonese Opera Laboratory and Hong<br>Kong Puppet and Shadow Art Center | Cantonese operatic song and traditional puppetry | Children and youngsters  |
|               | "Body in Time" by Unlock Dancing Plaza  | Dance  | Elderly                  |
| Sha Tin       | "Community Echoes" by Kung Music<br>Workshop  | Music  | Youngsters               |
| Tai Po        | "Stories Crossing @Tai Po" by Hong<br>Kong Drama/Theatre and Education<br>Forum   | Drama  | All ages                 |
|               | "Wherefore Tai Po, Story Hunt in Alleys and Lanes" by Fantasy Puppet Theatre  | Multimedia arts                                  | All ages                 |
| Tsuen Wan     | "Dance Up Hi!" by Passoverdance   | Dance  | Children and youngsters  |
| Tuen Mun      | "Cantonese Opera-cum-Shadow Puppetry<br>for Youngsters" by Kim Sum Cantonese<br>Opera Association and Hong Kong Puppet<br>and Shadow Art Center       | Cantonese operatic song and traditional puppetry | Children and youngsters  |
|               | "Musical! Step-up" by Drama Gallery   | Musical  | All ages                 |
| V I           | "Yuen Long Anew" by The<br>Nonsensemakers   | Drama  | Youngsters               |
| Yuen Long     | "Dancing All Around Yuen Long" by<br>Y-Space  | Dance  | Youngsters and adults    |

The direct production cost, number of activities and attendance of the CAS from 2019-20 to 2021-22 are set out below:

| CAS                                 | 2019-20<br>(Actual) | 2020-21<br>(Actual) <sup>(1)</sup> | 2021-22<br>(Estimate) <sup>(2)</sup> |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Direct production cost (\$ million) | 1.08                | 1.99                               | 10.55                                |
| Number of activities                | 68                  | 70                                 | 540                                  |
| Attendance                          | 10 261              | 5 271                              | 62 400                               |

# Notes

- (1) The decrease in the number of activities and attendance in 2020-21 was due to the impact of COVID-19 pandemic.
- (2) The estimated decrease in the number of activities and attendance in 2021-22 is due to the impact of COVID-19 pandemic.