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Question:

In connection with the feeder systems for identification and development of young potential athletes, would the Government advise this Committee of the following:

1. Regarding the implementation of the feeder systems over the previous year, what was the expenditure earmarked in the estimates for individual "national sports associations" (NSAs) and how effective was the work? What are the mechanism and criteria adopted by the Government to assess the effectiveness of the provision? What is the estimated expenditure for individual NSAs this year? What is the specific work plan?
2. Apart from supporting the NSAs, what measures are put in place by the Government to support the implementation of the feeder systems for other sports? What are the estimated expenditures involved?
3. How many schools participated in the Student Athlete Support Scheme (the Scheme) in the previous year? How many student athletes have benefited from the Scheme? What was the expenditure involved?

Asked by: Hon LUK Chung-hung (LegCo internal reference no.: 6)

Reply:

1. & 2. The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD)'s provision for implementing the Feeder System Scheme (FSS) in 2022-23 amounted to \$37.1 million for supporting feeder programmes organised by 53 national sports associations (NSAs). The subvention granted to each NSA is at **Annex**. The work related to the feeder system includes the implementation of development programmes, talent identification, regional and junior squad training, organisation of local competitions, as well as sending of squads to overseas training and competitions.

The LCSD assesses the effectiveness of the FSS by monitoring the achievement of performance targets set by the NSAs, including the organisation of feeder programmes, recruitment of squad members, and athletes' achievements in international sports competitions. Since its launch in 2009-10, the FSS has achieved notable results. As at December 2022, the FSS has resulted in the identification of 5 806 athletes for promotion to higher level squads for further training. Of these, 1 149 have managed to join junior squads of different sports. The LCSD will continue to monitor the effectiveness of the FSS.

In 2023-24, the LCSD will earmark a funding of around \$38.7 million in total to support the NSAs in implementing feeder programmes. The amount to be allocated to the individual NSAs is subject to confirmation.

3. In the 2021/22 school year, a total of 594 primary and secondary schools signed up for the Student Athlete Support Scheme. The total number of students benefiting from the Scheme was 14 194, involving a funding of about \$5.96 million.

Subvention to Feeder System Scheme in 2022-23

	Name of national sports association	2022-23 (\$)
1	Hong Kong Archery Association	571,567
2	Hong Kong Association of Athletics Affiliates Limited	1,340,256
3	Hong Kong Badminton Association Limited	1,747,794
4	The Baseball Association of Hong Kong, China Limited	305,380
5	Hong Kong Basketball Association Limited	312,593
6	Hong Kong Billiard Sports Control Council Company Limited	1,750,974
7	Hong Kong China Bodybuilding and Fitness Association	187,860
8	Hong Kong Boxing Association Limited	336,910
9	The Hong Kong Canoe Union Limited	395,552
10	Hong Kong Chinese Martial Arts Dragon and Lion Dance Association Limited	14,235
11	Cricket Hong Kong Limited	79,036
12	The Cycling Association of Hong Kong, China Limited	1,338,099
13	Hong Kong DanceSport Association Limited	576,240
14	Hong Kong China Dragon Boat Association	413,256
15	Hong Kong Equestrian Federation	706,582
16	Hong Kong Fencing Association	1,420,296
17	The Hong Kong Football Association Limited	662,966
18	Hong Kong, China Gateball Association Co. Limited	194,652
19	Hong Kong Golf Association Limited	67,500
20	The Gymnastics Association of Hong Kong, China	260,636
21	Handball Association of Hong Kong, China Limited	819,730
22	The Hong Kong Hockey Association	491,857
23	Hong Kong Ice Hockey Association Limited	456,628
24	The Judo Association of Hong Kong, China	927,614
25	The Karatedo Federation of Hong Kong, China Limited	1,512,916
26	Hong Kong Kendo Association Limited	272,355

	Name of national sports association	2022-23 (\$)
27	Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association	391,119
28	The Hong Kong Life Saving Society	173,741
29	China Hong Kong Mountaineering and Climbing Union Limited	374,943
30	Hong Kong Netball Association Limited	448,780
31	Orienteering Association of Hong Kong Limited	505,838
32	Hong Kong Federation of Roller Sports Limited	419,622
33	Hong Kong, China Rowing Association	277,284
34	Hong Kong Rugby Union	587,330
35	Hong Kong Sailing Federation	176,228
36	Hong Kong Shooting Association	1,019,969
37	Hong Kong Shuttlecock Association Limited	454,797
38	Hong Kong Skating Union Limited	1,767,548
39	Hong Kong Softball Association	431,482
40	Hong Kong Sports Association of the Deaf Company Limited	38,724
41	Hong Kong Sports Association for Persons with Intellectual Disability	649,282
42	Hong Kong Sports Association for the Physically Disabled	540,786
43	Hong Kong Squash	1,126,572
44	Hong Kong China Swimming Association	225,780
45	The Hong Kong Table Tennis Association Limited	1,267,790
46	Hong Kong Taekwondo Association Limited	1,309,374
47	The Hong Kong Tennis Association Limited	1,758,520
48	Hong Kong Tenpin Bowling Congress Limited	829,614
49	Triathlon Association of Hong Kong China Limited	236,916
50	Hong Kong Underwater Association Limited	82,428
51	Volleyball Association of Hong Kong, China Limited	869,512
52	Windsurfing Association of Hong Kong	2,599,382
53	Hong Kong Wushu Union Limited	1,314,945

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