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Question:

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department will set up self-test fitness corners at its fitness rooms in the 18 districts. Please advise of:

- 1. the amount of expenditure to be spent on the set-up of such fitness corners in the 18 districts in 2024-25;
- 2. the unit cost of individual fitness corners, and whether they will be connected to smart fitness equipment;
- 3. the estimated amount of expenditure required for subsequent maintenance, servicing and system upgrading.

Asked by: Hon CHAN Han-pan (LegCo internal reference no.: 2)

Reply:

Regarding the questions on the self-test fitness corners to be set up by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) in the 18 districts, the reply is as follows:

- 1. To facilitate members of the public to monitor their fitness levels, the LCSD has launched a pilot scheme on self-test fitness corners in January 2024, which involved the set-up of Bioelectrical Impedance Analysers (BIAs) at 8 sports centres. The pilot scheme will be extended to the remaining 10 districts by the end of 2024, with the estimated expenditure for 2024-25 being about \$1.22 million.
- 2. & 3. Under the pilot scheme, the unit cost of individual fitness corners, inclusive of the set-up and system services of the BIAs, is approximately \$110,000. The estimated annual expenditure on subsequent maintenance, servicing and system upgrading of the 18 fitness corners will amount to a total of about \$860,000.

Given a trial run for smart fitness equipment will be carried out in the fourth quarter of 2024, the fitness corner system will not be connected to them in such an early

stage. The Government will explore the feasibility of such a connection pending system maturity.