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By email

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Dear Ms SHEK,

**Finance Committee
Follow-up Action for the Meeting on 21 February 2020:
Progress Report of the Anti-epidemic Fund**

Further to our last submission made on 30 March 2023, I attach the latest progress report of the Anti-epidemic Fund as at 19 May 2023, at **Enclosure**, for Members' information.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kinnie Wong'.

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Progress Report of the Anti-epidemic Fund

Purpose

This paper aims to report to the Legislative Council (LegCo) the implementation progress of the measures introduced under the Anti-epidemic Fund (AEF) as of 19 May 2023.

Background

2. In light of the development of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), the Government has taken vigilant anti-epidemic measures to contain the public health risk. Having regard to the negative impact of these measures on the livelihood of individuals and business operations, the Government secured the approval of the LegCo Finance Committee (FC) on 21 February 2020 for a commitment of \$30 billion to set up the AEF. The purposes of the AEF are to enhance Hong Kong's overall capability in combating the pandemic, and to provide suitable relief to businesses and individuals hard hit by the pandemic or more seriously affected by anti-epidemic measures. The Government subsequently secured the LegCo's further funding approval in April 2020, September 2020, December 2020, April 2021, February 2022, April 2022 and May 2022 to implement further AEF measures. A total financial commitment close to \$250 billion has been approved thus far.

3. The AEF is established under the Financial Secretary Incorporation Ordinance (Cap. 1015) (the Ordinance) with the Financial Secretary Incorporated (FSI) as its trustee, and operates according to the Declaration of Trust made under the Ordinance. To streamline the administrative process, FSI has delegated its powers to the Anti-epidemic Fund Steering Committee (Steering Committee) to receive, consider and approve proposals, and to monitor and coordinate matters related to the operation of the AEF. FSI also appointed the Director of Accounting Services to handle financial and accounting matters related to the AEF, such as opening bank accounts and keeping proper accounts and records, etc. The Steering Committee is chaired by the Chief Secretary for Administration with members including all relevant Directors of Bureaux¹ responsible for implementing the major initiatives under the AEF.

¹ Upon the re-organisation of the Government structure taking effect from 1 July 2022, the membership of the Steering Committee includes Chief Secretary for Administration (Chairman), Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development, Secretary for Culture, Sports and Tourism, Secretary for Development, Secretary for Education, Secretary for Environment and Ecology, Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury, Secretary for Home and Youth Affairs, Secretary for Housing, Secretary for Innovation, Technology and Industry, Secretary for Labour and Welfare and Secretary for Transport and Logistics.

Financial Position and Implementation Progress of the AEF

4. As of 19 May 2023, 232 measures were approved under the AEF, with the total financial commitment amounting to close to \$250 billion. Over \$229 billion of funding were deployed/dispensed, benefitting close to 7 million persons² and over 1 million applications from enterprises/businesses, etc. The AEF measures cover various sectors, including the construction, property management, travel, catering, retail, convention and exhibition, arts and culture, innovation and technology, passenger transport, aviation, agriculture and fisheries, hotel, child care centres and registered private schools offering non-formal curriculum, etc. The AEF also provides support to a wide spectrum of employees and needy groups including licensed hawkers, frontline cleansing and security workers, low-income families, secondary, primary and kindergarten students, registered sports coaches, and school-related service providers (such as registered interest class teachers), as well as premises ordered to close under Cap. 599F or affected by the Government's social distancing measures. The 232 approved measures include:

- (a) 24 first-round AEF measures proposed in the enclosures of FCR(2019-20)46;
- (b) 33 second-round AEF measures proposed in the enclosures of FCR(2020-21)2;
- (c) 26 third-round AEF measures proposed in the enclosures of FCR(2020-21)71;
- (d) 19 fourth-round AEF measures proposed in the enclosures of FCR(2020-21)77;
- (e) 28 fifth-round AEF measures funded by the remaining balance of the AEF;
- (f) 48 sixth-round AEF measures proposed in the enclosures of FCR(2021-22)82;
- (g) 1 measure proposed in FCR(2022-23)1; and
- (h) 53 measures approved by the Steering Committee as proposed by relevant bureaux/departments having regard to the development of the pandemic, views from various industry stakeholders and their actual business situation.

Annex I sets out the brief description and eligibility criteria of the above measures.

² In addition, the Government has distributed over 10 million pieces of CuMask+™ in total.

5. The Government reported the progress of the implementation of the first-round AEF in the FC paper (FCR(2020-21)2) when seeking the FC's approval for the second-round injection on 17 April 2020. The Government further submitted ten reports to LegCo, respectively in July 2020, November 2020, February 2021, May 2021, August 2021, December 2021, March 2022, June 2022, December 2022 and March 2023 reporting the implementation progress of the AEF measures. This paper is the 12th report to the LegCo on the progress of the implementation of these measures. As of 19 May 2023, out of the 232 AEF measures, 188 have been completed. The progress of the 232 measures is set out at **Annex II**.

Conclusion

6. During the COVID-19 epidemic, the Government has introduced various rounds of relief measures including those under the AEF and the counter-cyclical measures introduced in the two previous Budgets (2020-21 Budget and 2021-22 Budget). These measures involved a total financial commitment of over \$500 billion. Introduced under the 2022-23 Budget in February 2022, the counter-cyclical measures costing a total of over \$170 billion, together with infrastructure projects spending and other items, were estimated to bring a fiscal stimulus effect of boosting the economy by around three percentage points.

7. Following the Government's lifting of all anti-epidemic measures, business activities and daily lives of residents have resumed normal. The Government will continue with the implementation of ongoing AEF measures, and the Steering Committee will continue to optimise the remaining balance of the AEF having regard to the development of the pandemic, views from various industry stakeholders and their actual business situation.

Chief Secretary for Administration's Office
July 2023

Anti-epidemic Fund (AEF)
Eligibility criteria and brief description of measures
(Position as at 19 May 2023)

Table I. Measures under first-round AEF

Item	Measures	Eligibility/Brief Description
1.	Enhancing support to the Hospital Authority (HA) for combating the epidemic	The Government allocated \$4.7 billion from the AEF to provide additional resources for the HA in tackling the epidemic, in particular for ensuring sufficient support and protection for frontline healthcare staff.
2.	Support local mask production	<p>The Local Mask Production Subsidy Scheme aims to facilitate local production of masks in order to stabilise supply and to build up stock. Applicant of the 20 production lines under the Scheme must be a company holding a valid Business Registration Certificate and a valid Certificate of Incorporation in Hong Kong and demonstrate all the following conditions when submitting application:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) having the production equipment in Hong Kong; (b) having the raw materials in Hong Kong; (c) having already in place or rented the production venue in Hong Kong; (d) having already in place, rented or hired a contractor to set up clean room facilities in Hong Kong; and (e) each production line being able to produce at least 500 000 masks per month.
3.	Global procurement of personal protective equipment	To ensure the Government has funds readily available for the procurement of personal protective equipment so that orders can be placed quickly in the highly competitive market.
4.	Support property management sector in anti-epidemic efforts	Frontline property management (PM) workers performing duties related to security or environmental hygiene in private residential/ composite (i.e. commercial cum residential) and industrial/ commercial building blocks (including shopping malls) during the 7-month subsidised period (February to August 2020) are eligible for a monthly allowance of \$1,000 for the months in which they have provided service. Each eligible building is subjected to a cap of 100 headcounts. Depending on the types of buildings, PM companies/ owners' organisations

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		of each eligible private residential/ composite or industrial/ commercial building blocks is eligible for a \$4,000 or \$8,000 subsidy.
5.	Technology applications to enable reusability of masks	To provide reusable masks to Hong Kong residents.
6.	Support construction sector in anti-epidemic efforts	Eligible workers registered under the Construction Workers Registration Ordinance (Cap. 583), depending on whether they have attendance records, will be provided with a subsidy of \$1,500/\$1,000, and eligible construction enterprises comprising levy-paying contractors, subcontractors registered with the Construction Industry Council with employment of registered construction workers, and consultants admitted in the Government's recognised lists will be provided with a subsidy of \$50,000/\$20,000.
7.	Support cleansing and security staff engaged by Government and Hong Kong Housing Authority service contractors in anti-epidemic efforts	To provide eligible frontline cleansing workers, toilet attendants and security workers employed by service contractors of the Government and Housing Authority a monthly allowance of \$1,000 for seven months (March to September 2020) through the contractors.
8.	Installation of emergency alert system (EAS)	Install a new EAS to enable the Government to send time-critical public announcements and messages to alert the general public during emergency situations.
9.	Home quarantine support	The users are those returning from outside Hong Kong and subject to compulsory home quarantine at a designated place. The measure supports the procurement of monitoring devices, enhancement of backend systems and acquisition of additional manpower and related services to deal with the related monitoring work arising from the compulsory home quarantine arrangement.
10.	Ex-gratia payment to eligible public rental housing (PRH) applicants who	Eligible PRH applicants who had accepted the advance housing offer of Fai Ming Estate and Chun Yeung Estate were provided with an ex-gratia allowance of \$6,000 per household in April

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	<p>have accepted the advance allocation offers of Fai Ming Estate and Chun Yeung Estate</p>	<p>2020.</p> <p>The second round of ex-gratia allowance payment of \$6,000 was disbursed in July 2020. Eligible PRH applicants were those who had accepted the advance housing offers of Fai Ming Estate and Chun Yeung Estate but excluding those who had accepted an allocation offer of other PRH estates.</p> <p>The third round of ex-gratia allowance payment of \$6,000 was disbursed in end October 2020. Eligible PRH applicants were those who had accepted the advance housing offers of Tai Fai House of Fai Ming Estate and Blocks 1 to 3 of Chun Yeung Estate but excluding those who had accepted an allocation offer of other PRH estates/ Blocks 4 & 5 of Chun Yeung Estate.</p> <p>The fourth round (the last round) of ex-gratia allowance payment of \$6,000 was disbursed in early December 2020. Eligible PRH applicants were those who had accepted the advance housing offers of Blocks 1 to 3 of Chun Yeung Estate but excluding those who had accepted an allocation offer of other PRH estates/ Blocks 4 & 5 of Chun Yeung Estate.</p>
11.	Retail Sector Subsidy Scheme	<p>Under the scheme, a one-off subsidy of \$80,000 will be provided to each eligible retail store. The maximum amount of subsidy for a parent company that operates retail groups or chain stores under the same business registration is \$3 million (equivalent to no more than 38 stores).</p> <p>To be eligible, an applicant must be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) conducting substantial and substantive retail business at a fixed physical and individually operated store in Hong Kong; and (b) running a business that has commenced before 1 January 2020 and is still in operation at the time of application. <p>Under the Scheme, eligible retail stores do not include the followings:</p>

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		<p>(a) stores with licences of restaurants, canteens, light refreshment restaurants, fresh provision shops, food factories, bakeries, siu mei and lo mei shops issued by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department;</p> <p>(b) hawkers (including licensed hawkers);</p> <p>(c) mobile stalls and counters in department stores without separate payment system and stores operating under short-term tenancy of a duration less than 6 months; and</p> <p>(d) retail stores conducting non-store retailing via mail order, internet or direct marketing sales only.</p>
12.	Food Licence Holders Subsidy Scheme	<p>A one-off subsidy of \$200,000 is provided to eligible licence holders of the premises in operation including general restaurants, marine restaurants and factory canteens; and a one-off subsidy of \$80,000 is provided to eligible licence holders of the premises in operation including light refreshment restaurants, fresh provision shops, food factories, bakeries and siu mei and lo mei shops.</p> <p>1. An applicant is required to fulfil the following criteria:</p> <p>(a) the applicant holds a valid food business licence (full or provisional licence) of any one of the eight specified categories issued by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) on or before 14 February 2020; and</p> <p>(b) the licensed food premises are in operation on the date of submission of the application; and</p> <p>(c) no application for transfer, voluntary surrender or cancellation of licence in respect of the licensed food premises is under processing in the period from the date of submission of the application to the date of approval of the application; and</p> <p>(d) the applicant holds the related valid licence in (a) above on the date of approval of the application (if the application for subsidy is submitted in respect of a provisional licence and the validity period of the provisional licence on the date of submission of application is less than one month, the related full licence has to be obtained either before the expiry of the provisional licence or close of application for the subsidy).</p> <p>2. As an exceptional arrangement, an applicant who did not hold a related valid licence on</p>

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		<p>14 February 2020 may apply for the subsidy, provided that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) where an application for transfer of licence was made on or before 14 February 2020: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the applicant is an approved transferee and the application for transfer was approved after 14 February 2020; and (ii) no subsidy has been granted by the FEHD to the original licence holder in respect of the concerned licence under this subsidy scheme; and (iii) the applicant meets the criteria in items 1(b), 1(c) and 1(d) of the above. (b) where a provisional licence held by the applicant in respect of the same premises has, irrespective of the expiry date, expired: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the applicant is successful in obtaining a full licence before close of application for the subsidy; and (ii) the applicant meets the criteria in items 1(b), 1(c) and 1(d) of the above.
13.	Subsidy for the transport sector	<p><u>Fuel Subsidy</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) To reimburse one-third of the actual fuel/electricity cost between 1 July 2019 and 30 June 2020 for the five franchised bus companies, 22 franchised and licensed ferry services and Hong Kong Tramways Limited. (b) To offer a \$1.0 discount per litre of liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) for LPG taxis and public light buses (PLBs) between 1 July 2020 and 30 June 2021. (c) To reimburse one-third of the actual fuel cost for petrol taxis and diesel PLBs between 1 July 2020 and 30 June 2021. <p><u>One-off subsidy for various transport trades</u></p> <p>To provide a one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$20,000 for each licensed non-franchised public bus (NFB) and \$10,000 for each licensed school private light bus (SPLB), hire car and goods vehicle (GV). Eligibility criteria are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The registered owners who hold a valid vehicle licence of NFBs, SPLBs or GVs as at 22 October 2019; (b) The registered owners who held a valid vehicle licence of the NFBs, SPLBs or GVs between 1 June and 21 October 2019, and the relevant vehicle licence has been renewed (by the same

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		<p>registered owners) on or before 21 April 2020;</p> <p>(c) The registered owners of NFBs, SPLBs or GVs that were first registered on any day from 23 October 2019 to 21 February 2020 and hold a valid vehicle licence of their NFBs, SPLBs or GVs as at 21 February 2020; or</p> <p>(d) The registered owners of private cars with a valid hire car permit as at 21 February 2020.</p> <p><u>Subsidising cross-boundary goods vehicle drivers to conduct nucleic acid test</u></p> <p>(a) To subsidise Hong Kong cross-boundary goods vehicle drivers on an accountable basis to conduct nucleic acid tests at local testing institutes recognised by the Government in Hong Kong. The maximum cost to be reimbursed is capped at HK\$240 per test. For nucleic acid test conducted before 21 November 2020, the maximum cost to be reimbursed is capped at HK\$350 per test.</p> <p>(b) To fund the costs of nucleic acid tests provided for Hong Kong cross-boundary goods vehicle drivers at ports in Shenzhen and Zhuhai.</p> <p><u>One-off non-accountable subsidy of \$10,000 for local commercial mechanised vessels</u></p> <p>Except for the vessels covered by the Transport Department's supporting measures, all local commercial mechanised vessels meeting the following eligibility criteria, including commercial mechanised vessels of Class I, II and III as well as Class IV let for hire or reward, will be granted a one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$10,000:</p> <p>(a) A vessel which held a valid operating licence on 21 February 2020 (a Class IV vessel let for hire or reward is required to hold a valid certificate of survey or certificate of inspection as well on the day); or</p> <p>(b) A vessel which, failing to comply with the requirements under item (a), but held a valid operating licence between 1 June 2019 and 20 February 2020 (a Class IV vessel let for hire or reward is required to hold a valid certificate of survey or certificate of inspection as well during the period), and has its operating licence successfully renewed on or before 20 August 2020 (a Class IV vessel let for hire or reward is also required to hold a certificate of survey or certificate of inspection or have such certificates successfully renewed during the period); or</p>

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		<p>(c) A vessel of which the shipowner had already submitted to MD all documents required before 21 February 2020 for the application for an operating licence, but was not issued with a valid operating licence on 21 February 2020 as MD was reviewing the application.</p> <p><u>One-off non-accountable subsidy of \$10,000 for local commercial non-mechanised vessels for cargo operation or marine construction works</u></p> <p>Local commercial non-mechanised vessels used for cargo operation or marine construction works (i.e. some of the Class II non-mechanised vessels; “non-mechanised vessel” refers to a vessel not installed with a propulsion engine as indicated on the operating licence) will be granted a one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$10,000 provided one of the following eligibility criteria is met:</p> <p>(a) A vessel which held a valid operating licence on 21 February 2020; or</p> <p>(b) A vessel which failed to comply with the requirement under item (a), but held a valid operating licence between 1 June 2019 and 20 February 2020, with the operating licence successfully renewed on or before 20 August 2020; or</p> <p>(c) A vessel of which the shipowner had already submitted to the MD all documents required before 21 February 2020 for the application for an operating licence, but was not issued with a valid operating licence on 21 February 2020 as the MD’s internal audit exercise was in progress.</p> <p><u>One-off survey fee subsidy for local commercial vessels</u></p> <p>Except for the vessels covered by the Transport Department’s supporting measures, all local commercial vessels meeting the following eligibility criteria, including Class I, II and III vessels as well as Class IV vessels let for hire or reward, will be granted a one-off survey fee subsidy:</p> <p>(a) A vessel which held a valid certificate of survey or certificate of inspection and a valid operating licence on 21 February 2020; or</p> <p>(b) A vessel which, failing to comply with the requirements under item (a), but held a valid certificate of survey or certificate of inspection and operating licence between 1 June 2019 and 20 February 2020, with its certificate of survey or certificate of inspection and operating licence successfully renewed on or before 20 August 2020; or</p>

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		<p>(c) A vessel of which the shipowner had already submitted to MD all documents required for the application for an operating licence before 21 February 2020, but was not issued with a valid operating licence on 21 February 2020 as MD was reviewing the application.</p> <p>An eligible vessel, whether surveyed by the MD or a competent surveyor, may be granted a subsidy of which the amount will be equivalent to the survey fee stipulated under section 12 of the Merchant Shipping (Local Vessels) (Fees) Regulation (Cap. 548J).</p> <p><u>One-off non-accountable subsidy of \$1 million for each eligible cross-boundary ferry vessel</u> Eligible cross-boundary ferry vessel which held a valid Permit to operate High Speed Craft and was deployed for the provision of cross-boundary ferry services at the China Ferry Terminal, the Tuen Mun Ferry Terminal or the Hong Kong-Macau Ferry Terminal during the period from 30 July 2019 to 3 February 2020.</p> <p><u>Extra subsidy to owners of local pleasure vessels let for hire or reward</u> A Class IV vessel let for hire or reward which held a valid certificate of survey or certificate of inspection and a valid operating licence on 28 March 2020 will be granted a one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$20,000.</p>
14.	Convention and Exhibition Industry Subsidy Scheme	<p>The Scheme aims to provide subsidy to the convention and exhibition (C&E) industry. It comprises two parts.</p> <p>One part of the Scheme provides 100% venue rental for organisers of exhibitions and international conferences (i.e. over 400 participants and at least 50% of which are non-local participants) which are held at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre (HKCEC) and AsiaWorld-Expo (AWE) during the period starting from 3 October 2020 and ending on 30 June 2023 (both dates inclusive). In addition, private organisers of exhibitions which were held at the HKCEC and AWE in at least any five calendar years from 2015 to 2021 may apply on or before 30 November 2021 for a one-off immediate relief, the amount of which is equivalent to 20% of the average annual rental of the exhibitions, subject to a cap of \$1 million per event.</p>

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		<p>The other part of the Scheme subsidises exhibitors of exhibitions and participants of major conferences (i.e. over 400 participants) organised by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council during the period of 30 November 2020 to 30 June 2023 (both dates inclusive).</p>
15.	<p>Special allowance for eligible Working Family Allowance (WFA) and Student Financial Assistance (SFA) households</p>	<p><u>WFA households</u> Households who have submitted an application (and eventually approved) from 1 April 2019 to 21 February 2020 (i.e. the day on which the funding proposal was approved by the Finance Committee of Legislative Council) will receive a special allowance equivalent to two months of WFA payment.</p> <p><u>SFA households</u> Households receiving means-tested SFA for pre-primary, primary and secondary students in the 2019/20 academic year will receive a special allowance of \$4,640.</p> <p>For households eligible for the special allowance under both WFA and SFA, the amount payable will be the higher of the above two cases.</p>
16.	<p>Additional student grant for 2019/20 school year</p>	<p>All students, as at the date of application, studying in secondary day-schools, primary schools and special schools (including public sector schools, Direct Subsidy Scheme schools, English Schools Foundation schools, private schools) as well as kindergartens, are eligible for the \$3,500 grant (of which \$1,000 will be paid for under the AEF). Students of evening schools, students of private studies, holders of student visa for entry into Hong Kong for studies and holders of Form of Recognizance issued by the Immigration Department are ineligible.</p> <p>Taking into account that there are some students who should meet the eligibility criteria stated in the above but attend other programmes owing to special circumstances, the following students are also eligible for the grant:</p> <p>(a) Children at the age of two years and eight months or above as at 1 September of the school year concerned attending the Special Child Care Centres subsidised by the Social Welfare</p>

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		<p>Department owing to special needs;</p> <p>(b) Newly arrived children attending the full-time Initiation Programme funded by the Education Bureau; and</p> <p>(c) Students taking full-time programmes for Secondary 3 school leavers offered by the Vocational Training Council.</p>
17.	Rental waivers for tenants at the Hong Kong Science Park, industrial estates and Cyberport	<p>The rental relief covers all start-ups, incubatees, co-working space users, office tenants, partner companies, professional services companies and merchant outlets at the Hong Kong Science Park, InnoCentre, industrial estates and Cyberport. The relief is subject to a cap at 10 000 square feet and is effective from 1 April to 30 September 2020. The relief is not applicable to government departments and public bodies.</p>
18.	Subsidies for live marine fish wholesale traders, fishing vessels with Mainland deckhands and fresh marine fish/vegetable/freshwater fish/hen egg/fresh fruit wholesalers	<p>(a) Owners of fishing vessels and fish collectors with Mainland deckhand will be provided with a subsidy of \$200,000 (for each vessel of 25 meters or above in length) or \$80,000 (for each vessel of less than 25 meters in length), the eligibility criteria is as follows:</p> <p>(i) possess a valid Class III Certificate of Ownership and Operating Licence issued by the Marine Department in accordance with the Merchant Shipping (Local Vessels) (Certification and Licensing) Regulation (Cap. 548); and a valid 《漁業捕撈許可證》 or 《捕撈輔助船許可證》 issued by the relevant Mainland Authority; and</p> <p>(ii) employ Mainland deckhands to work on board the subject vessel in accordance with the relevant legal/administrative requirements in Hong Kong and/or Mainland.</p> <p>(b) Live marine fish wholesalers: The applicant must hold a valid license agreement in the wholesale fish market under the Fish Marketing Organization (FMO) to operate in wholesale of live marine fish. Each eligible live marine fish wholesale trader in the FMO markets will be provided with a subsidy of \$200,000.</p> <p>(c) Fresh marine fish wholesalers: The applicant must have been operating fresh marine fish wholesale at a usual location in the wholesale fish market of FMO. Each eligible fresh marine fish wholesale trader in the FMO markets will be provided with a subsidy of \$40,000.</p> <p>(d) Vegetable/ freshwater fish/ hen egg/ fresh fruit wholesalers: The applicant must have to be</p>

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		<p>conducting active fresh food wholesale business between 21 January 2020 and 20 April 2020 in a physical wholesale market under AFCD, VMO, or in Yau Ma Tei Fruit Market/ Yuen Long Freshwater Fish Wholesale Market/ Yuen Long Temporary Wholesale Vegetable Market.</p> <p>The applicant and the business owner or the shareholder or partner has not benefitted from Food Licence Holders Subsidy Scheme and Retail Subsidy Scheme under AEF using the premises under application.</p> <p>Each eligible fresh food wholesalers will be provided with a subsidy of \$40,000. The maximum amount of subsidy for a wholesale trader operates multiple stores under the same business registration is \$200,000 (equivalent to no more than 5 stores).</p>
19.	Support to child care centres (CCCs)	All CCCs, including aided and non-aided standalone CCCs and CCCs attached to KGs registered with Social Welfare Department or Education Bureau, were eligible for the special monthly grant for 4 months (February to May 2020). The amount of grant per CCC was based on its size of enrolment (i.e. no. of children) before suspension of service and whether the service is full-day or half-day.
20.	Arts and Culture Sector Subsidy Scheme	<p>(a) Arts groups directly subvented by the Home Affairs Bureau (i.e. nine major performing arts groups, Hong Kong Arts Festival Society, 14 venue partners under the Leisure and Cultural Services Department, 34 grantees of the Arts Capacity Development Funding Scheme, and Hong Kong Maritime Museum) will be provided with subsidy.</p> <p>(b) \$50 million was allocated to the Hong Kong Arts Development Council (HKADC) to disburse subsidy to eligible arts groups/artists applying to the “Support Scheme for Arts & Cultural Sector”¹, including:</p>

¹ For arts groups/projects under categories (b)(i) and (b)(ii), application is not required. HKADC has provided them with direct subsidy from 20 March 2020. As for categories (b)(iii) and (b)(iv), application has started since 20 March 2020.

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		<p>(i) Grant recipients of HKADC's 2019/20 Year Grant, Literary Arts Platform Project and Eminent Arts Group Scheme;</p> <p>(ii) Projects funded by HKADC;</p> <p>(iii) Arts projects not funded by HKADC; and</p> <p>(iv) Individual arts practitioners</p> <p>(c) The practitioners of various categories involved in the affected professional Cantonese opera performances in the period from 29 January 2020 to 30 June 2020. The Chinese Artists Association of Hong Kong (Barwo) is engaged to collect details of the affected professional Cantonese opera performances, and disburse the subsidies to the practitioners of various categories involved in the performances.</p> <p>(d) Tenants of arts space run by HKADC and Jockey Club Creative Arts Centre were offered a rental waiver.</p> <p>(e) Subsidy was provided to Le French May Arts Festival.</p>
21.	Licensed Guesthouses Subsidy Scheme	Each eligible guesthouse holding on 21 February 2020 a valid guesthouse licence issued under the Hotel and Guesthouse Accommodation Ordinance (Cap. 349) will be provided with a subsidy of \$50,000 or \$80,000 (depending on the number of licensed guestrooms).
22.	Travel Agents Subsidy Scheme	Each eligible travel agent holding on 14 February 2020 a valid travel agent licence issued under the Travel Agents Ordinance (Cap. 218) will be provided with a subsidy of \$80,000.
23.	Support to training bodies of Employees Retraining Board (ERB)	Training bodies appointed by ERB with approved funding for organising courses during February to May 2020 were provided with a special grant set at 30% of the monthly funding allocated to individual training bodies for organising training courses.
24.	Licensed Hawkers Subsidy Scheme	Holder of a valid Fixed-Pitch Hawker Licence or Itinerant Hawker Licence ("Hawker Licence") issued by the Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene under the Hawker Regulation (Cap. 132AI) on or before 14 February 2020 and still holds the valid hawker licence on the date of approval of the application will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$5,000.

Table II. Measures under second-round AEF

Item	Measures	Eligibility/Brief Description
1.	2020 Employment Support Scheme (2020 ESS)	<p>The 2020 ESS maintains employment during the epidemic by providing time-limited financial support to employers to retain their employees who may otherwise be made redundant. The ESS should be used for paying wages to maintain employment opportunities for workers. Eligible employers participating in ESS will be required to provide an undertaking² (1) not to make redundancies during the subsidy period; and (2) to spend all the wage subsidies on paying wages to the employees.</p> <p><u>Employers</u></p> <p>All employers who have been making Mandatory Provident Fund (MPF) contributions or have set up Occupational Retirement Schemes (ORSO schemes) for their employees will be eligible for ESS, except those on the exclusion list³. The Government will provide wage subsidies to eligible employers for 6 months. The amount of subsidies for an employer would be calculated on the basis of 50% of the actual wages paid to employees at a specified month, with a wage cap at \$18,000 per month (i.e. maximum subsidy is \$9,000 per month per employee). Subsidies will be disbursed in two tranches. The first tranche of subsidies will cover the period from June to August 2020, while the second tranche will cover the period from September to November 2020.</p> <p>For employers who have been participating in MPF schemes (including Master Trust Schemes and Industry Schemes) will be eligible to apply for wage subsidies in respect of the following categories of employees:</p> <p>(a) "regular employees" under the Master Trust Schemes and Industry Schemes for whom MPF mandatory contributions have been made by their employers; and</p> <p>(b) employees aged 65 or above under the Master Trust Schemes and Industry Schemes.</p>

² For an employer who has successfully applied for subsidies, if he/she fails to use all the wage subsidies received for a particular month during the subsidy period concerned to pay the wages of his/her employees in the same month, the Government will claw back the unspent balance of the subsidy. Furthermore, if the number of employees on the payroll in any one month of the subsidy period is less than the number of paid or unpaid staff in March 2020, the employer will have to pay a penalty to the Government.

³ Including HKSAR Government, statutory bodies such as Hospital Authority, Housing Authority, Hong Kong Monetary Authority, Urban Renewal Authority, MTR Corporation Limited, Airport Authority, Hong Kong Housing Society, West Kowloon Cultural District Authority, etc.

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		<p>Employers cannot apply for wage subsidies in respect of “casual employees” under the Master Trust Schemes and Industry Schemes.</p> <p>A licence holder who has submitted application for the Catering Business (Social Distancing) Subsidy Scheme in respect of the licensed premises covered by the relevant business registration certificate is not eligible.</p> <p>Employers cannot apply for subsidies under ESS in respect of the following types of employees whose wages are subsidised by the Government:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) employees in government-funded organisations whose wages are fully funded by the Government; and (b) dedicated employees engaged by outsourced government services contractors/ consultants to implement or deliver these contracts. <p><u>Self-employed persons (SEPs)</u></p> <p>SEPs who have set up an MPF account on or before 31 March 2020 (i.e. cannot be backdated to that date or any earlier dates), which has not been terminated as of 31 March 2020, will be eligible to apply for ESS for a one-off lump-sum subsidy of \$7,500.</p> <p>However, the following persons are not eligible for ESS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) freelancers who provide school bus services as school bus drivers, school private light bus drivers and escorts (commonly known as “nannies”) and have applied for the subsidies under the School Bus Service Providers Subsidy Scheme of the Education Bureau (except proprietors of a fleet or vehicle who are also drivers/escorts; they can apply for the ESS subsidies as SEPs and, at the same time, the subsidies under the “School Bus Service Providers Subsidy Scheme”); and (b) freelancers who are tour service coach drivers and have applied for the subsidies under the Tour Service Coach Drivers (Mainly Serving Tourists) Support Scheme of the Tourism Commission (except proprietors of a fleet/vehicle who are also drivers; they can apply for

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		<p>the ESS subsidies as SEPs and, at the same time, the subsidies under the “Tour Service Coach Drivers (Mainly Serving Tourists) Support Scheme”).</p>
2.	Job Creation	<p>\$13.2 billion has been earmarked under AEF for the creation of 60 000 time-limited jobs in the public and private sectors for people of different skill sets and academic qualifications.</p> <p>The 60 000 time-limited jobs to be created under the Job Creation Scheme will include jobs in the public and the private sectors, with particular focus on those industries the development of which has been hard hit by the COVID-19 pandemic.</p>
3.	LAWTECH Fund	<p>The LAWTECH Fund aimed to assist some small and medium-size law firms and barristers' chambers in procuring and upgrading information technology systems and arranging for their staff to attend lawtech training courses.</p> <p>Over 500 law firms or chambers with five or fewer practising lawyers were given a reimbursement amount of up to \$50,000.</p> <p>To fully utilize the remaining balance of the LAWTECH Fund, the Department of Justice provides around \$15.7 million (Hong Kong Legal Cloud Fund) to selected non-profit making non-governmental organisations, through Public-Private Partnership, for the development of the Hong Kong Legal Cloud, an online facility equipped with advanced information security technology, to provide secure, reliable and affordable data storage services for the local legal and dispute resolution sector to promote the overall long-term development of Hong Kong's legal and dispute resolution services. eBRAM International Online Dispute Resolution Centre was selected as the service provider of the Hong Kong Legal Cloud services.</p>
4.	COVID-19 Online Dispute Resolution Scheme	<p>The Scheme aims to provide online dispute resolution (ODR) services to the general public and businesses, in particular micro, small and medium-sized enterprises, to resolve disputes arising out of or in relation to COVID-19 in a speedy and cost-effective manner. It is hoped that the Scheme, by resolving disputes through the multi-tiered dispute resolution mechanism, would</p>

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		<p>help build and reinforce a harmonious society and enable parties to preserve their long term business relationships. It is also anticipated that the Scheme will make the use of ODR services more prevalent, thereby strengthening Hong Kong’s LawTech capability in the long run.</p> <p>The Scheme covers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) any dispute arising out of or in relation to COVID-19 directly or indirectly; (b) the claim amount of the case is not more than \$500,000; and (c) either one of the parties to the dispute is a Hong Kong resident or company.
5.	Subsidy for encouraging early deployment of 5G	<p>The measure will subsidise 50% of the actual cost directly relevant to the deployment of 5G technology in an approved project, subject to a cap of \$500,000. Applicants have to be public or private entities/bodies having substantive business or operation in Hong Kong before 1 January 2020 and is still in operation at the time of application; and the projects should fulfill the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) 5G technology must be deployed and is the primary enabler in the project; (b) there are substantive benefits (e.g. improvements in efficiency, productivity, and/or quality of service) to be brought to the business/sector concerned in Hong Kong; and (c) the project must demonstrate sufficient features and extents of innovation or cross-sectoral synergy.
6.	Distance Business Programme (D-Biz Programme)	<p>All private enterprises (excluding publicly listed companies, statutory bodies and non-government organisations funded by the Government) with a valid Business Registration Certificate or a Social Enterprise Certificate issued by the Hong Kong Council of Social Service, with ongoing business commenced before 1 January 2020 and substantive business operation in the industry related to the project in the application at the time of application are eligible. The funding ceiling is \$100,000 for each IT solution and the relevant training expenses for the employees. Each enterprise may receive an aggregate funding of up to \$300,000. The application period started from 18 May 2020 and ended on 31 October 2020.</p>

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7.	Training subsidies for consultants in the construction sector	Offer training subsidy to some 600 consultant firms admitted in the Government's recognised lists as well as the company members of recognised professional institutions/associations to help them provide continuous professional development to their professional staff. Each eligible firm will be offered a training subsidy of \$50,000.
8.	Matching Grant Scheme for Skills Upgrading	The Scheme is to provide training funds on a matching basis to eligible applicants, which are suitable organisations identified by policy bureaux, for organising training programmes for employees in various sectors, in particular those hard-hit by the epidemic, so that they will be better equipped with enhanced skills to prepare for the economic turnaround. The Scheme was launched on 15 July 2020.
9.	Registered operators of private schools offering non-formal curriculum	All registered private schools under the Education Ordinance (Cap. 279) offering non-formal curriculum (PSNFCs) and designated centres under Financial Assistance Scheme for Designated Evening Adult Education Courses (FAEAEC) which are in operation in the three months immediately before class suspension, i.e. November and December 2019 and January 2020, and in operation as at the date of application are eligible for a one-off relief grant of \$40,000.
10.	School-related service providers (including catering, interest groups, school bus services)	<p><u>Catering Outlets</u> Each catering outlet (namely, tuck shops, canteens or restaurants) at primary schools, secondary schools, University Grants Committee-funded universities, the Vocational Training Council, and self-financing post-secondary education institutions is eligible for a one-off relief grant of \$80,000, provided that the outlet has not applied for relief grant under any other scheme in the first and second rounds of the AEF (other than the Employment Support Scheme).</p> <p><u>Lunch Box Suppliers</u> All lunch box suppliers for primary and secondary schools holding a food factory licence are eligible for a one-off relief grant of \$10,000 for each serving schools.</p> <p><u>School Bus Service Providers</u> Eligible school bus service providers, i.e. school bus drivers/school private light bus drivers/</p>

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		<p>school bus nannies, will be provided with a one-off subsidy, i.e. a subsidy of \$10,000 for each eligible driver and \$10,000 per vehicle for eligible nannies (the subsidy of \$10,000 will be shared among nannies based on their proportion of service time if more than one nanny serves at the same vehicle). In addition, the grant to escorts providing school bus services for cross-boundary students that employ two or more escorts on board has been increased in response to the industry's appeal and genuine operational needs of the sector.</p> <p>Eligible school bus drivers/ nannies must have been engaged by a school bus operator, for a major proportion of time during the period from September 2019 to the day before the schools' Chinese New Year Holiday in January 2020, for the provision of student transport/ pick up service on a non-franchised public bus/ school private light bus with a valid Passenger Service Licence for service endorsement(s) (A03), (A05) and/or (D01) to kindergartens, primary schools, secondary schools and special schools. In addition, eligible school bus drivers must hold a valid full driving licence for the relevant vehicle during the period of transport service.</p> <p><u>School instructors of learning/interest classes</u> An instructor engaged by a publicly-funded, Direct Subsidy Scheme or private primary/ secondary school offering a formal curriculum for the learning/ interest class(es) of an ongoing nature that is/ are originally scheduled during the class suspension period, including tutors of learning classes under the School-based After-school Learning and Support Programmes will be provided with a one-off relief grant of \$7,500.</p> <p>Applicants should not concurrently apply for subsidy from any other schemes under the second-round relief measures of AEF (except the subsidy for the self-employed under the Employment Support Scheme).</p>
11.	One-off grant to registered sports coaches	Sports coaches registered under National Sports Associations or recognized sports organizations who had provided coaching services from 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020 can receive a one-off grant of \$7,500.

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12.	Relief grants for freelance workers hired by subvented non-governmental welfare organisations to provide training and coaching for service users	<p>Interest class instructors engaged or planned to be engaged by any subvented welfare service units of the organisations subvented by the Social Welfare Department but the service has been/ would likely be suspended during the period from February to August 2020 will be provided with a one-off relief grant of \$7,500.</p> <p>The applicants should not be beneficiaries of the measures listed in items 10 and 11 above in this table.</p>
13.	Subsidy for the refuse transfer station account holders for transporting municipal solid waste	<p>Each private municipal solid waste (MSW) collector in operation in the first quarter of 2020, i.e. private refuse transfer station account holder who transported MSW to the refuse transfer stations or landfills during the period from 1 January 2020 to 31 March 2020 will be provided with a special allowance of \$8,000 to support the trade in response to the challenges posed by the COVID-19 epidemic, including to enhance the provision of personal protective equipment, to arrange additional staff to strengthen cleansing and disinfection of the refuse transport vehicles, and to alleviate the financial burden due to closure of shops and restaurants.</p>
14.	Subsidies for local primary producers	<p>Each local primary producer (including owners of vegetable farms, hydroponic farms, flower farms and nurseries, pond fish culture farm operators, marine fish culture farms operators holding a valid Marine Fish Culture licence, owners of fishing vessels and fish collector vessels, but excluding livestock farms) will be provided with a subsidy of \$10,000.</p> <p>For owners of vegetable farms, hydroponic farms, flower farms and nurseries, their farms must be engaged in crop production from 18 January 2020 to 17 April 2020; and if the applicant is engaged in open field cultivation, the production area should not be less than 0.5 dau chung (around 337 sq. meter or 3,630 sq. feet).</p> <p>Pond fish culture farm operators must have registered their fish farms under the Voluntary Registration Scheme for Pond Fish Farmers for food fish culture under the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department on or before 17 April 2020. For those who have not registered, the applicants provide documentary proof on engaging in food fish culture from 18 January 2020</p>

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		<p>to 17 April 2020.</p> <p>Those who have already benefited from the Subsidies for Live Marine Fish Wholesale Traders and Fishing Vessels with Mainland Deckhands in the first round AEF will not be eligible.</p>
15.	Special subsidy to exchange participants and Securities and Futures Commission licensees	<p>Category B and C participants of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong and/or participants of the Hong Kong Futures Exchange as at 31 March 2020 that are still holding valid trading status at the time of application will receive a one-off subsidy of \$50,000 per company.</p> <p>Individuals licensed with the Securities and Futures Commission as at 31 March 2020 will receive a one-off cash subsidy of \$2,000 per person.</p>
16.	Cash subsidy for individual licensees in the estate agency sector	<p>The following persons are eligible for a cash subsidy equal to 24-month licence fee of respective licences:</p> <p>(a) each individual licensee holding a valid licence (i.e. estate agent’s licence (individual) or salesperson’s licence) on 8 April 2020; and</p> <p>(b) each individual who has submitted an application for an individual licence (i.e. estate agent’s licence (individual) or salesperson’s licence) on or before 8 April 2020 and whose licence is approved by 31 December 2020.</p>
17.	Subsidy for the passenger transport sector	<p><u>Reimbursement of regular repair and maintenance costs and insurance premium</u></p> <p>To reimburse the actual regular repair and maintenance costs and insurance premium for the five franchised bus companies, nine franchised/licensed ferry operators and Hong Kong Tramways Limited from 1 April to 30 September 2020.</p> <p><u>Wage subsidy to green minibus and local ferry operators</u></p> <p>To provide a monthly subsidy of \$6,000 for a period of six months (from June to November 2020, applied and disbursed in two tranches) to green minibus (GMB) and local ferry operators in respect of the hiring of each eligible employee aged 65 or above who have not applied for wage subsidies under the “Employment Support Scheme” (i.e. the employee who has no</p>

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		<p>Mandatory Provident Fund (MPF) contribution by the employer in the first tranche or the employee who has no MPF account in the second tranche or did not participate in MPF-exempted Occupational Retirement Schemes Ordinance Scheme in the specified month), for the purpose of supporting such operators for salary payment.</p> <p><u>Monthly subsidy of \$6,000 for 6 months for taxi and red minibus drivers</u></p> <p>To provide a monthly subsidy of \$6,000 for each eligible active taxi and red minibus (RMB) driver for a period of 6 months. For those taxi and RMB drivers who may not fully meet the eligibility requirements of an active driver but able to fulfill certain requirements, a one-off subsidy of \$7,500 will be disbursed.</p> <p>The applicant for the monthly subsidy of \$6,000 for 6 months must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) hold a valid taxi or public light bus (PLB) driver identity plate anytime during the 3-month period between 1 January 2020 and 31 March 2020; or anytime during the period between 1 April 2020 and 7 May 2020 but at the same time holding a relevant taxi or PLB driver identity plate issued on or before 5 October 2018; (b) have a valid rental agreement or declarations (if the applicant is both the driver and owner of the vehicle, he/she must also provide such declarations) by drivers and owners in respect of vehicle rental for one month during the period between 1 January and 31 March 2020 to prove that the applicant had rented and driven the taxi or RMB for at least 8 days⁴; and (c) provide a valid rental agreement or declarations (if the applicant is both the driver and owner of the vehicle, he/she must also provide such declarations) by drivers and owners in respect of vehicle rental for one month during the period between 1 April and 30 June 2020 (Phase 1) and 1 July and 30 September 2020 (Phase 2) to prove that the applicant had rented and driven the taxi or RMB for at least 12 days⁵.

⁴ The days must fall between 1 January and 31 March 2020 and within the same month. Each registered vehicle owner with valid taxi or RMB vehicle licence(s) can only sign the relevant declarations for up to four drivers during the aforementioned period.

⁵ For both periods from 1 April to 30 June 2020 and from 1 July to 30 September 2020, the number of days must fall within the same month. Each registered vehicle owner with valid taxi or RMB vehicle licence(s) can only sign the relevant declarations for up to four drivers during the aforementioned period.

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		<p>Applicants who can only meet the eligibility requirements (a) and (b) above can apply for a lump-sum subsidy of \$7,500.</p> <p><u>One-off subsidy for various transport trades</u></p> <p>(a) To provide a one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$30,000 to registered owners of each licensed non-franchised public bus (NFB), school private light bus (SPLB) and hire car. Eligibility criteria are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the registered owners who hold a valid vehicle licence of NFBs or SPLBs as at 8 April 2020; or (ii) the registered owners who did not hold a valid licence of the NFBs or SPLBs as at 8 April 2020, but renewed the relevant vehicle licence on or before 7 July 2020 (the registered owner after renewal must be the same as the original registered owner); or (iii) the registered owners of private cars with a valid hire car permit as at 8 April 2020. <p>(b) To provide a one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$30,000 per taxi or red minibus (RMB) to registered vehicle owners who hold the vehicle licence of each taxi or RMB as at 8 April 2020.</p> <p>(c) To provide a one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$30,000 per green minibus (GMB) to the Passenger Service Licence (PSL) holders who have been approved to operate relevant packages of the GMB route.</p> <p><u>One-off subsidy for kaito operators</u></p> <p>To provide a one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$20,000 for each vessel deployed in kaito services. The applicant must hold a valid ferry service licence issued by the Transport Department and vessel operating licence issued by the Marine Department as at 24 June 2020 for providing the kaito services to be eligible to register for the subsidy.</p>
18.	Providing relief to creative industries (a) Cinemas Subsidy Scheme; (b) Subsidy to PMQ tenants; and (c) Printing and Publishing Sector	(a) To provide a one-off subsidy of \$100,000 per screen to each eligible cinema holding a valid “Public Place of Entertainment” licence as of the date of application issued under the Places of Public Entertainment Ordinance (Cap. 172) and its subsidiary legislation, and has screened at least one commercially released film in March 2020. The maximum amount of

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	Subsidy Scheme	<p>subsidy is capped at \$3 million per circuit;</p> <p>(b) To provide a one-off subsidy of \$25 million to PMQ to waive/reduce the rental and fees (100% for creative industries-related tenants and 75% for other tenants) of all the tenants of PMQ (around 105) from May 2020 to December 2020 and provide a one-off subsidy of \$6.24 million to PMQ to reduce 75% of the rental of all tenants from January to March 2021; and</p> <p>(c) To provide a one-off subsidy of up to \$40 million to fully subsidise the participation fees of all local and non-local exhibitors (except Government bureaux/departments) at the 2021 Hong Kong Book Fair (held on 14-20 July 2021) capped at \$100,000 per local exhibitor and \$10,000 per non-local exhibitor.</p>
19.	Tourism Industry Support Schemes	<p><u>Travel Agents and Practitioners Support Scheme</u> Each eligible travel agent, holding on 14 February 2020 and continues to hold on the date on which the subsidy was disbursed, a valid travel agent licence issued under the Travel Agents Ordinance (Cap. 218), will be provided with a subsidy ranging from \$20,000 to \$200,000 (depending on the number of its staff). Each eligible travel agents' staff (i.e. staff of the aforesaid eligible travel agents on 31 March 2020) and each eligible freelance accredited tourist guides and tour escorts whose main occupations are being tourist guides and tour escorts⁶ will be provided with a subsidy of \$5,000 for six months.</p> <p><u>Hotel Sector Support Scheme</u> Each eligible hotel holding on 21 February 2020 a valid hotel licence issued under the Hotel and Guesthouse Accommodation Ordinance (Cap. 349) will be provided with a subsidy of \$300,000 or \$400,000 (depending on the number of its licensed guestrooms).</p>

⁶ Freelance accredited tourist guides/tour escorts whose main occupation is being a tourist guide/tour escort holding a valid Tourist Guide Pass/Tour Escort Pass issued by the Travel Industry Council of Hong Kong on 31 December 2019. They should have: (a) provided tourist guide/tour escort service for the inbound/outbound tours organised by one or more travel agent(s) for at least 60 days during the period from 1 July 2018 to 31 December 2019; or (b) provided tourist guide/tour escort service for the inbound/outbound tours organised by one or more travel agent(s) for at least 20 days per month for at least two months during the period from 1 July 2018 to 31 December 2019.

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		<p><u>Tour Service Coach Drivers (Mainly Serving Tourists) Support Scheme</u> Each eligible tour service coach driver holding a valid full driving licence for public bus anytime during the period from 1 January 2019 to 8 April 2020, and having provided driving service on a non-franchised public bus that provided tour service and/or international passenger service for a non-franchised public bus service operator with a then valid Passenger Service Licence anytime during the period above will be provided with a subsidy of \$10,000.</p> <p><u>Support for cruise industry</u> To waive the monthly fixed rent and management fees for the operator of Kai Tak Cruise Terminal until 30 November 2020⁷, and to provide refund of berth deposits to cruise lines for cancelled ship calls during the suspension of immigration service.</p> <p><u>Support for Peak Tramway</u> To provide a one-off financial subsidy of \$1.851 million to the operator of Peak Tramway, the amount of which is equivalent to 75% of annual consideration payable to the Government by the operator for Year 2020.</p>
20.	Relief measures for construction sector	<p>Eligible construction workers comprising registered construction workers as well as workers registered under the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department, the Buildings Department, the Water Supplies Department and the Fire Services Department will be offered a one-off subsidy of \$7,500.</p> <p>Eligible construction-related enterprises include small-scaled enterprises which cannot benefit from the first-round of the AEF. Contractors, specialist contractors, suppliers, registered minor works contractors, registered contractors of electrical/ gas/ lift/ escalator/ fire service installation and suppliers of construction-related machineries and equipment rental will be offered a one-off subsidy of \$20,000⁸.</p>

⁷ The waiver was completed on 30 November 2020 under AEF 2.0 and has subsequently been extended until 31 December 2023.

⁸ Construction-related enterprises of smaller scale would receive a subsidy of \$10,000 each under the original proposal. The AEF Steering Committee subsequently approved to align the

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		<p>If an employer in the construction sector has made contributions for a 'casual employee' under the Mandatory Provident Fund (MPF) Industry Schemes for at least 15 days in the calendar month of March 2020, the employee will be regarded as a 'qualified employee'. An employer may apply for a subsidy of \$36,000 per 'qualified employee', by undertaking not to make their employees redundant and to spend the full amount of the subsidy on paying wages to their 'qualified employees' for a period of six months from August 2020 to January 2021.</p>
21.	Subsidy to operators of Revitalising Historic Buildings Through Partnership Scheme, PMQ and Fly the Flyover Operation	<p>10 non-profit-making organisations (NPOs) running projects under the Revitalising Historic Buildings Through Partnership Scheme, PMQ and the NPO operating and managing the three Fly the Flyover sites for the Government will be provided with a direct subsidy of \$3 million each. The NPOs have undertaken to keep all their existing numbers of staff in place.</p>
22.	Subsidy for the aviation sector	<p>A one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$1 million per large aircraft and \$200,000 per small aircraft registered in Hong Kong will be provided for Air Operator's Certificate (AOC) holders with AOC valid as at 1 April 2020 for no less than six months. The aircraft should have a valid Certificate of Airworthiness as at 1 April 2020.</p> <p>In addition, aviation support services and cargo facility operators at the Hong Kong International Airport (HKIA) are eligible for a one-off non-accountable subsidy. A \$3 million subsidy will be provided for operators with 100 or more employees, while it will be \$1 million for operators with less.</p>
23.	Catering Business (Social Distancing) Subsidy Scheme	<p>Eligible licence holders of general restaurants, light refreshment restaurants, marine restaurants and factory canteens in operation will be provided with subsidies ranging from \$250,000 to \$2,200,000 according to the floor area of the premises as specified on the licence, primarily in support of payment of employees' salaries during a six-month period following approval of the application. To provide immediate relief to the catering sector, the subsidy will be dished out</p>

amount of one-off subsidy at the higher level of \$20,000 each.

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		<p>upfront in two tranches. In addition, the scheme will also provide a one-off subsidy of \$50,000 to tenants of Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) market cooked food / light refreshment stalls. Each eligible catering outlets directed to close whole of its licensed premises, including karaoke establishments, night clubs and bars/pubs, is eligible for a further one-off subsidy of \$50,000.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An applicant is required to fulfil the following criteria: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the applicant holds on 29 February 2020 a valid food business licence (full or provisional licence) of any one of the four categories listed in the application form for Anti-epidemic fund Catering Business (Social Distancing) Subsidy Scheme issued by FEHD; and (b) the related food business licence is valid and the food business is in operation on the date of submission of the application and on the date of approval of the application; and (c) no application for transfer, voluntary surrender or cancellation of food business licence in respect of the licensed food premises is under processing in the period from the date of submission of the application to the date of approval of the application; and (d) the food business licence (full or provisional licence) must be valid throughout the whole period from the date of approval of this application till the end of October 2020. If the licence expires before the end of October 2020, FEHD may consider to recover from the applicant any approved subsidy released and all related expenses incurred. 2. As an exceptional arrangement, an applicant not holding a food business licence on 29 February 2020 may apply for the subsidy, provided that: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) in case of a transfer of licence of one of the four specified categories was made on or before 29 February 2020: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the application was approved after 29 February 2020, and the applicant is the approved transferee after 29 February 2020; and (ii) no subsidy has been granted by FEHD under this subsidy scheme to the original licence holder in respect of the licence transferred; and (iii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items (1)(b), (1)(c) and (1)(d). (b) in the case of a provisional licence held by the applicant in respect of the same premises which has, irrespective of the expiry date, expired:

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		<p>(i) the applicant is successful in obtaining a full licence before close of application for the subsidy (i.e. 5 June 2020); and</p> <p>(ii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in paragraph (1)(b), (1)(c) and (1)(d).</p> <p>The tenancy agreement between the applicants applying the one-off subsidy to tenants of FEHD market cooked food/ light refreshment stalls and the Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene should be entered into and is valid throughout the period from 28 March 2020 to the time of approval of the application, and the market stall concerned has not suspended its operation during the period from 28 March 2020 to the time of approval of the application and has not been offered any rental waiver by FEHD due to improvement works to the relevant market.</p> <p>Those who are eligible but have not submitted any application for the first tranche of subsidy can apply for the second tranche of subsidy. Application period was from 25 August 2020 to 14 September 2020.</p> <p>Eligible licence holders of general restaurants, light refreshment restaurants, marine restaurants and factory canteens in operation will be provided with subsidies ranging from \$125,000 to \$1,100,000 according to the floor area of the premises as specified on the licence, primarily in support of payment of employees' salaries during a three-month period following approval of the application. To provide immediate relief to the catering sector, the subsidy will be dished out upfront in one tranche.</p> <p>1. An applicant is required to fulfil the following criteria:</p> <p>(a) the applicant holds on 29 February 2020 a valid food business licence (full or provisional licence) of any one of the four categories listed in the application form for Anti-epidemic fund Catering Business (Social Distancing) Subsidy Scheme issued by FEHD; and</p> <p>(b) the related food business licence is valid and the food business is in operation on the</p>

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		<p>date of submission of the application and on the date of approval of the application; and</p> <p>(c) no application for transfer, voluntary surrender or cancellation of food business licence in respect of the licensed food premises is under processing in the period from the date of submission of the application to the date of approval of the application; and</p> <p>(d) the food business licence (full or provisional licence) must be valid throughout the whole period from the date of approval of this application till the end of November 2020. If the licence expires before the end of November 2020, FEHD may consider to recover from the applicant any approved subsidy released and all related expenses incurred.</p> <p>2. As an exceptional arrangement, an applicant not holding a food business licence on 29 February 2020 may apply for the subsidy, provided that:</p> <p>(a) in case of a transfer of licence of one of the four specified categories was made on or before 29 February 2020:</p> <p>(i) the application was approved after 29 February 2020, and the applicant is the approved transferee after 29 February 2020; and</p> <p>(ii) no subsidy has been granted by FEHD under this subsidy scheme to the original licence holder in respect of the licence transferred; and</p> <p>(iii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items (1)(b), (1)(c) and (1)(d).</p> <p>(b) in the case of a provisional licence held by the applicant in respect of the same premises which has, irrespective of the expiry date, expired:</p> <p>(i) the applicant is successful in obtaining a full licence before close of application for the subsidy (i.e. 14 September 2020); and</p> <p>(ii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in paragraph (1)(b), (1)(c) and (1)(d).</p>
24.	Amusement Game Centres Subsidy Scheme	<p>Amusement game centres (“AGCs”) under the definition stipulated in the Amusement Game Centres Ordinance (Cap. 435) have been ordered to close for a period from end March to early May 2020 as specified under the directions issued by the Secretary for Food and Health pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F). Operators meeting the following criteria should be eligible for the scheme to receive a one-off subsidy of \$100,000:</p>

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		<p>(a) be either one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) a holder of an AGC licence that is valid for any period within the above specified period; (ii) the person-in-charge of an e-sports venue which has been exempted from Cap. 435 for any period within the above specified period; (iii) the applicant for an AGC exemption for e-sports operation; or (iv) the person-in-charge of an internet computer services centres (“ICSC”) in operation registered with the Office of the Licensing Authority under Home Affairs Department; and <p>(b) the application for such AGC licence / exemption or ICSC registration was made on or before the publication of the relevant direction on 27 March 2020.</p>
25.	Commercial Bathhouse Licence Holder Subsidy Scheme	<p>1. Licence holder of a commercial bathhouse fulfilling the following criteria will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$100,000:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the applicant holds a valid Commercial Bathhouses Licence (CBL) issued by Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) on 28 March 2020 and is still holding the Licence on the date of approval of the application; and (b) no application for transfer, voluntary surrender or cancellation of licence in respect of the licensed premises is under processing in the period from the date of submission of the application to the date of approval of the application. <p>2. As an exceptional arrangement, an applicant not holding a valid CBL on 28 March 2020 may apply for the subsidy, provided that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) an application for transfer of a CBL was made on or before 28 March 2020, the application was approved after 28 March 2020, and the applicant is the approved transferee after 28 March 2020; and (b) no subsidy has been granted by FEHD to the original licence holder in respect of the concerned licence under this subsidy scheme; and (c) the applicant meets the criteria in item 1 above.
26.	Fitness Centre Subsidy Scheme	Fitness centres meeting the following requirements will be granted a one-off subsidy of \$100,000:

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		<p>(a) possessed a fixed address and individually-operated premises in Hong Kong where its principal and substantive business is to provide exercise machines or equipment on the premises for use, or to provide advice and instruction on, training for or assistance in improving physical fitness, including bodybuilding, dancing, yoga, pilates, body stretching and martial arts; and</p> <p>(b) have commenced business before 28 March 2020 and having been ordered to close pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F).</p> <p>Fitness centres in residential clubhouses or private clubs and facilities operated by holders of private recreational leases are not covered by the Scheme.</p>
27.	Places of Amusement Licence Holders Subsidy Scheme	<p>Places of Amusement Licence Holders (viz. billiard establishments, public bowling-alleys and public skating rinks) fulfilling the following criteria can receive a one-off subsidy of \$100,000:</p> <p>(a) the applicant holds a valid Places of Amusement Licence issued by the Director of Leisure and Cultural Services under the Places of Amusement Regulation (Cap. 132BA) on 28 March 2020; and</p> <p>(b) no application for transfer, voluntary surrender or cancellation of licence in respect of the licensed premises is under processing in the period from the date of submission of the application to the date of approval of the application; and</p> <p>(c) the applicant holds the related valid licence in (a) above on the date of approval of the application.</p>
28.	Place of Public Entertainment Licence (PPEL) Holder Subsidy Scheme	<p>Places of public entertainment have been ordered to close for a period from end March to early May 2020 as specified under the directions issued by the Secretary for Food and Health pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F). Holders of PPEL (except those covered by the Cinemas Subsidy Scheme) or temporary PPEL (“TPPEL”) that is valid for any period within the above specified period and whose application for the licence is submitted on or before the publication of the relevant direction on 27 March 2020 are eligible under this scheme. One-off subsidies of</p>

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		<p>\$100,000 and \$20,000 respectively will be provided to each of the eligible PPEL and TPPEL holders.</p>
29.	Mahjong / Tin Kau Licence Holder Subsidy Scheme	<p>Mahjong / Tin Kau parlours have been ordered to close for a period from early April to early May 2020 as specified under the directions issued by the Secretary for Food and Health pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F). Holders of Mahjong / Tin Kau Licence that is valid for any period within the above specified period and whose application for the licence is submitted on or before the publication of the relevant direction on 1 April 2020 are eligible for a one-off subsidy of \$100,000 under this scheme.</p>
30.	Subsidy Scheme for Beauty Parlours, Massage Establishments and Party Rooms	<p><u>Beauty parlours and massage establishments</u> Each eligible Beauty Parlour and Massage Establishment will receive a one-off subsidy depending on its number of workers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 to 2 workers: Subsidy of \$30,000 • 3 to 4 workers: Subsidy of \$60,000 • 5 or more workers: Subsidy of \$100,000 <p>The maximum amount of subsidy for a parent company that operates beauty parlour or massage establishment chain stores under the same business registration is \$3 million.</p> <p><u>Eligibility criteria</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An eligible premises should provide at least one of the following services as its main business: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Skin and facial care services; (b) Weight control and slimming services; (c) Nail treatment; (d) Tattooing and/or piercing; (e) Hair loss improvement and/or hairdressing; (f) Body massage and/or spa treatment;

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		<p>(g) Foot reflexology; and/or (h) Other beauty, care, prettifying and/or massage service on any part of the body. The above services are provided for non-medical purpose. Medical procedures performed by clinics operated by doctors or Chinese medicine practitioners are not eligible for the subsidy under the Scheme.</p> <p>2. The applicant operates its business independently at a fixed location in Hong Kong. 3. The relevant premises and services of the applicant should be in operation before 10 April 2020. 4. The relevant premises is not eligible for other premises-based subsidy schemes under second-round AEF, e.g. bathhouses, clubhouses or fitness centres.</p> <p><u>Party rooms</u> Each party room will receive a one-off subsidy of \$40,000.</p> <p><u>Eligibility criteria</u></p> <p>1. An eligible premises should meet the following criteria: (a) conducting a main business of commercial renting of physical indoor premises on short-term basis for private events/ gatherings of leisure or recreational nature; (b) the relevant premises should be a standalone venue at a fixed location in Hong Kong; (c) prior booking is necessary and no walk-in customer is to be entertained for use of the premises; and (d) the business should have an online presence for marketing and/or reservation. Reservation can be made by members of the public through common reservation platforms, social media accounts or through contact by email, instant messaging (such as WhatsApp or WeChat) or telephone.</p> <p>2. The relevant premises should have commenced business before 28 March 2020. 3. The following premises are not eligible: (a) Relevant premises that forms part of, or is attached to, premises operating business(es) of a different nature, e.g. hotels, guesthouses, clubhouses, catering establishments,</p>

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		<p>places of public entertainment, schools, training centres, gymnasiums, business/secretarial services centres and co-working space;</p> <p>(b) Premises is a carrier that can be used for transport (e.g. buses, trams and sea vessels); and</p> <p>(c) Premises that is eligible for other premises-based subsidy scheme under the second-round AEF, e.g. clubhouses.</p>
31.	Club-house Subsidy Scheme	<p>Holders of a Certificate of Compliance CoC issued under the Clubs (Safety of Premises) Ordinance (Cap. 376) with validity falling within the period(s) when the relevant directions issued pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F) are in effect are eligible for a one-off subsidy of \$100,000.</p> <p>A further subsidy of \$50,000 will be provided to holders of CoC issued under Cap. 376 for club-houses with a karaoke establishments permit issued by the Office of the Licensing Authority.</p>
32.	Sports and Recreational Sites Subsidy Scheme	<p>Operators of sports and recreational facilities (with a valid land grant instrument of the site, including land lease, tenancy agreement or land licence) who have suspended their facilities on Government's sites in response to the Government's appeal for social distancing on 23 March 2020 will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$100,000 to each affected site.</p>
33.	A 20% fare concession of MTR and temporary relaxation of the monthly threshold of the Public Transport Fare Subsidy Scheme (PTFSS)	<p><u>A 20% fare concession of MTR</u></p> <p>The MTR Corporation Limited provided a one-off special fare concession of "20% Rebate for Every Octopus Trip" to its Octopus passengers for the period from 1 July 2020 to 31 March 2021, and a discount of \$100 to passengers who purchase "MTR City Saver" and the five types of "Monthly Pass Extra" for the period from July 2020 to June 2021. The Government borne half of the expenditure involved for the abovementioned fare concessions during the period between July 2020 and March 2021, with a cap of \$0.8 billion.</p>

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		<p><u>Temporary relaxation of the monthly threshold of the PTFSS</u> The Government will temporarily relax the monthly threshold of the PTFSS from \$400 to \$200 from 1 July 2020 to 31 December 2021. Neither application nor prior registration of Octopus is required.</p>

Table III. Measures under third-round AEF

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1.	Quarantine centres for residents of residential care homes for the elderly and residential care homes for persons with disabilities	<p>The Social Welfare Department has since April 2020 set up and operated three quarantine centres and arranged personal care, nursing and health service under the quarantine period for the elderly and disabled persons who become close contacts arising from the COVID-19 outbreak at residential care homes for the elderly and residential care homes for persons with disabilities at Hong Kong PHAB Association Jockey Club PHAB Camp, Cheung Muk Tau Holiday Centre for the Elderly and AsiaWorld-Expo respectively, providing a total of 740 beds. With the cessation of operation of Cheung Muk Tau Holiday Centre for the Elderly with effect from 29 October 2020, the total number of beds provided for quarantine purpose is 680.</p> <p>The financial commitment earmarked has included the rental charges, set-up cost, procurement of furniture and medical equipment, catering service for residents, cleaning and laundry service, waste disposal services (including normal and medical waste), facilities management, security service, logistics arrangements, service fees for five Care Support Teams, and consumables for the residents, etc.</p>
2.	Quarantine facilities	<p>To ensure that adequate quarantine facilities are in place for quarantine of close contacts of confirmed cases, the Government started to engage hotels since December 2020 to serve as designated quarantine hotels to accommodate close contacts who are required to undergo compulsory quarantine. The Government also provided financial support to the quarantine centre (Phases 1 - 4) in Penny's Bay (providing around 3 500 quarantine units) from September 2020 to March 2021.</p>
3.	Subsidy scheme for the promotion of contactless payment in public markets	<p>To promote contactless payment in public markets, a one-off subsidy will be provided to stall tenants of markets under the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) or Hong Kong Housing Authority (HKHA) at a flat rate of \$5,000 per stall.</p> <p>All stall tenants in FEHD/HKHA markets (including wet market stalls and cooked food stalls) will be eligible for the subsidy, provided that:</p>

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		<p>(a) the tenant holds a valid tenancy agreement of a stall in a FEHD/HKHA market as at the date of application and when approval is given for disbursement of subsidy;</p> <p>(b) the contactless payment means opted by the tenant for his/her stall is processed through a licensed bank or a stored value facility licensee being regulated by the Hong Kong Monetary Authority, or a debit/credit card scheme; and</p> <p>(c) the tenant undertakes in the application not to unreasonably refuse request for contactless payment from patrons during the service contract period. FEHD/HKHA reserve the right to claw back the subsidy disbursed if a tenant is found to be not complying with the undertaking.</p> <p>Disbursement of subsidy will be made to the tenants subject to the following:</p> <p>(a) the tenant is required to submit an application and obtain an approval in principle before signing a service contract with a service provider in relation to the provision of at least one contactless payment means; and</p> <p>(b) the tenant has to produce a valid service contract of no less than a duration of two years signed by him/her and confirming that necessary installation has been completed to enable contactless payment at his/her stall. FEHD/HKHA will conduct inspection to check and ensure completion of the installation.</p> <p>The Government launches the second round of the Subsidy Scheme for the Promotion of Contactless Payment in Public Markets under the AEF, and extends the scope to cover licensed hawkers, providing a one-off subsidy of \$5,000 to tenants of public markets and licensed hawkers to promote contactless payment.</p> <p>All stall tenants in FEHD/HKHA markets (including wet market stalls and cooked food stalls) will be eligible for the subsidy, provided that:</p> <p>(a) the tenant holds a valid tenancy agreement of a stall in a FEHD/HKHA market as at the date of application and when approval is given for disbursement of subsidy;</p> <p>(b) the contactless payment means opted by the tenant for his/her stall is processed through a licensed bank or a stored value facility licensee being regulated by the Hong Kong</p>

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		<p>Monetary Authority, or a debit/credit card scheme;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (c) the applicant is currently providing or intends to provide at least one contactless payment means for market patrons in his/her stall; (d) the applicant is not subject to any bankruptcy procedure/proceedings/order at the time of the application and up to the date of grant of subsidy; and (e) the applicant must not have received the one-off subsidy of HK\$5,000 for the same market stall in the previous round of Subsidy Scheme for Promotion of Contactless Payment in Public Markets. <p>The application is open to all eligible licensed hawkers. To apply for the subsidy, an applicant is required to fulfil the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The applicant is holder of a valid Fixed-pitch Hawker Licence or Itinerant Hawker Licence issued by the Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene at the time of application and the time of approval of the application; (b) The applicant is currently providing or intends to provide at least one contactless payment means for patrons in his/her stall; (c) The contactless payment means being used or intended to be used by the applicant for his/her stall is processed through a licensed bank or a stored value facility licensee being regulated by the Hong Kong Monetary Authority, or a debit/credit card scheme; and (d) The applicant is not subject to any bankruptcy procedure/proceedings/order at the time of the application and up to the date of grant of subsidy. <p>Disbursement of subsidy will be made to the tenants/licensed hawkers subject to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the tenant/licensed hawkers is required to submit an application and obtain an approval in principle before signing a service contract with a service provider in relation to the provision of at least one contactless payment means; and (b) the tenant/licensed hawkers must submit the service contract they have entered into with a service provider for no less than a period of two years. If the name of applicant was not indicated on the said service contract, the applicant must at the same time provide a copy of “Extracts of Information on the Business Register” issued by the Business Registration

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		Office in between the period from 30 April 2021 to 31 August 2021; and confirmed that necessary installation has been completed to enable contactless payment at the stall on or before 31 August 2021. FEHD/HKHA will conduct inspection to check and ensure completion of the installation.												
4.	Catering Business Subsidy Scheme	<p>Further financial relief will be provided to catering outlets carrying on a business to sell or supply food for consumption on their premises. Subsidy will be offered to:</p> <p>(a) eligible holders of any of the following premises-based food business licences in operation, including (i) general restaurant licence, (ii) light refreshment restaurant licence, (iii) marine restaurant licence, and (iv) factory canteen licence; and</p> <p>(b) cooked food/light refreshment stall tenants in Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) markets, as well as cooked food stall tenants holding a hawker licence and operating in public housing developments.</p> <p>Each holder of the four types of relevant food licences (in (a)) which is in operation is eligible for a subsidy according to the approved floor area of its premises, as set out in the table below:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="936 903 2007 1152"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="936 903 1469 944">Floor area of licensed premises</th> <th data-bbox="1469 903 2007 944">Level of subsidy</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="936 944 1469 986">Not exceeding 100m²</td> <td data-bbox="1469 944 2007 986">\$50,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="936 986 1469 1027">>100m² - 200m²</td> <td data-bbox="1469 986 2007 1027">\$100,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="936 1027 1469 1069">>200m² - 400m²</td> <td data-bbox="1469 1027 2007 1069">\$150,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="936 1069 1469 1110">>400m² - 700m²</td> <td data-bbox="1469 1069 2007 1110">\$200,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="936 1110 1469 1152">>700m²</td> <td data-bbox="1469 1110 2007 1152">\$250,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>1. An applicant is required to fulfil the following criteria:</p> <p>(a) the applicant holds on or before 30 June 2020 a valid food business licence (full or provisional licence) of any one of the four targeted categories; and</p> <p>(b) the related food business licence is valid and the food business is in operation on the date of submission of the application and on the date of approval of the application; and</p> <p>(c) no application for transfer, voluntary surrender or cancellation of food business licence in respect of the licensed food premises is under processing in the period from the date of submission of the application to the date of approval of the application; and</p>	Floor area of licensed premises	Level of subsidy	Not exceeding 100m ²	\$50,000	>100m ² - 200m ²	\$100,000	>200m ² - 400m ²	\$150,000	>400m ² - 700m ²	\$200,000	>700m ²	\$250,000
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		<p>(d) the applicant holds the related valid licence in 1(a) above on the date of approval of the application (if the application for subsidy is submitted in respect of a provisional licence and the validity period of the provisional licence is less than one month on the date of submission of application, the related full licence has to be obtained either before the expiry of the provisional licence or close of application for the subsidy); and</p> <p>(e) the applicant is not subject to any bankruptcy or winding up procedure/ proceedings/ order at the time of the application and thereafter up to the grant of subsidy.</p> <p>2. As an exceptional arrangement, an applicant not holding a valid food business licence on 30 June 2020 may apply for the subsidy, provided that:</p> <p>(a) in the case of a transfer of licence of one of the four targeted categories was made on or before 30 June 2020:</p> <p>(i) the application was approved after 30 June 2020, and the applicant is the approved transferee ;</p> <p>(ii) no subsidy has been granted by FEHD under this Subsidy Scheme to the original licence holder in respect of the licence transferred ; and</p> <p>(iii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items 1(b), 1(c), 1(d) and 1(e) above.</p> <p>(b) in the case of a provisional licence held by the applicant in respect of the same premises which has, irrespective of the expiry date, expired:</p> <p>(i) the applicant is successful in obtaining a full licence before close of application for the subsidy (i.e. 12 November 2020); and</p> <p>(ii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items 1(b), 1(c), 1(d) and 1(e) above.</p> <p>Each eligible catering outlets directed to close whole of its licensed premises, including karaoke establishments, night clubs and bars/pubs, is eligible for a further one-off subsidy of \$25,000.</p> <p>Cooked food/light refreshment stall tenants in FEHD markets, as well as cooked food stall tenants holding a hawker licence and operating in a public housing development, would each be eligible for a one-off subsidy of \$25,000.</p>

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		<p>To be eligible for the subsidy, a market tenant has to meet the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the tenancy agreement of the market stall entered into with the Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene is valid throughout the period from 30 June 2020 to the time of approval of the application; (b) the market stall has not suspended its operation due to improvement works carried out in the relevant market throughout the period from 30 June 2020 to the time of approval of the application and has not been offered any rental waiver by FEHD in this regard; and (c) the applicant is not subject to any bankruptcy or winding up procedure/proceedings/order at the time of the application and up to the date of grant of subsidy. <p>To be eligible for the subsidy, a licensed hawker has to meet the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) is holder of a valid Fixed-Pitch (Cooked Food or Light Refreshment) Hawker Licence (“Hawker Licence”) issued by the Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene under the Hawker Regulation (Cap. 132AI) on or before 30 June 2020 and still holds a valid Hawker Licence at the time of approval of the application; (b) the catering business at a cooked food hawker stall in a public housing development must be in operation on 30 June 2020 and is still operating at the time of approval of the application; and (c) is not subject to any bankruptcy or winding up procedure/proceedings/order at the time of the application and up to the grant of subsidy.
5.	Tourism Industry Support Scheme	<p><u>Financial relief to licensed travel agents and their staff</u></p> <p>Each licensed travel agent will be provided with a cash subsidy, directly proportional to the number of staff members they have, using a subsidy level at \$5,000 per travel agent staff member as the basis of calculation. Travel agents without any staff will also be getting a one-off subsidy of \$5,000. Each eligible travel agents’ staff will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$15,000.</p>

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		<p>Eligible travel agents are those holding on 14 February 2020 and continues to hold until the date on which the subsidy is disbursed, a valid travel agent licence issued under the Travel Agents Ordinance (Cap. 218). Eligible travel agents' staff are those employed by an eligible travel agent on 31 March 2020.</p> <p><u>Financial relief to freelance accredited tourist guides and tour escorts</u> Each eligible freelance tourist guides and tour escorts whose main occupations are tourist guides or tour escorts will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$15,000.</p> <p>Eligible freelance tourist guides and tour escorts are those freelance accredited tourist guides and tour escorts whose main occupations are tourist guides and tour escorts and received subsidy from the Travel Agents and Practitioners Support Scheme under AEF 2.0⁹.</p> <p><u>Financial relief to tour service coach drivers</u> Each eligible tour service coach driver will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$6,700.</p> <p>Eligible tour service coach drivers are those tour service coach drivers (mainly serving tourists) who received subsidy from the Tour Service Coach Drivers (Mainly Serving Tourists) Support Scheme under AEF 2.0¹⁰.</p>
6.	Subsidy Scheme for Beauty Parlours, Massage Establishments and Party Rooms	<p>Each eligible beauty parlour and massage establishment will receive a one-off subsidy depending on its number of workers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 to 2 workers: Subsidy of \$15,000 • 3 to 4 workers: Subsidy of \$30,000 • 5 or more workers: Subsidy of \$50,000

⁹ See footnote [6].

¹⁰ Under the second-round AEF, eligible tour service coach drivers are those holding a valid full driving licence for public bus anytime during the period from 1 January 2019 to 8 April 2020, and having provided driving service on a non-franchised public bus that provided tour service and/or international passenger service for a non-franchised public bus service operator with a then valid Passenger Service Licence anytime during the period above.

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		<p><u>Beauty parlours and massage establishments</u> The maximum amount of subsidy for a parent company that operates beauty parlour or massage establishment chain stores under the same business registration is \$1.5 million.</p> <p><u>Eligibility criteria</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The applicant provides one or more of the following services for non-medical purposes as its main business at its business premises: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Skin and facial care services; (b) Weight control and slimming services; (c) Nail treatment; (d) Tattooing and/or piercing; (e) Professional hair loss improvement; (f) Body massage and/or spa treatment; (g) Foot reflexology; and/or (h) Other beauty, care, prettifying and/or massage service on any part of the body. Clinics/ medical centres managed/ operated by medical practitioners/ medical personnel, premises providing consultation or medical services and hair salons/ hairdressers/ barbers are not eligible for the subsidy under the Scheme. 2. The applicant operates its business independently in a standalone venue at a fixed location in Hong Kong. 3. The premises and services of the applicant should have been in operation before 15 July 2020. 4. The applicant has suspended operations pursuant to the Government order from 15 July to 27 August 2020. 5. Business(es) of the applicant is/ are not conducted in a residential unit of a public rental housing estate/ a Home Ownership Scheme/ any other subsidised housing scheme, or any other premises where commercial activities are not allowed. 6. The premises of the applicant does not form part of, and/or is not attached to, a premises operating business(es) of a different nature (e.g. hotels, guesthouses, clubhouses). 7. The premises of the applicant is not covered by other premises-based subsidy schemes

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		<p>under the third-round AEF (e.g. fitness centres, club-houses, sports premises, places of public entertainment, amusement game centres, places of amusement or commercial bathhouses).</p> <p>8. The applicant should be able to demonstrate that it is in business at site inspection by the Secretariat of the Scheme and/ or its authorised agent(s) during application vetting.</p> <p><u>Party rooms</u> Each eligible party room will receive a one-off subsidy of \$20,000.</p> <p><u>Eligibility criteria</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The applicant should be: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Conducting a main business of commercial renting of physical indoor premises on a short-term basis, for exclusive use by a designated group of customers during a specified period of time for private events/gatherings of a leisure or recreational nature (which shall exclude those solely or mainly for classes/ trainings/ music practices or performances/ religious activities/ consumption of food and beverages); (b) Prior booking for use of the premises is necessary and no walk-in customer is to be entertained for use of the premises; and (c) The business should have an online presence for marketing and/ or reservation. Reservation can be made by members of the public through online common reservation platforms, social media accounts or through contact by email, instant messaging (such as WhatsApp or WeChat) or telephone. 2. The applicant operates its business independently in a standalone venue at a fixed location in Hong Kong. 3. The premises and services of the applicant should have been in operation before 15 July 2020. 4. The applicant has suspended operations pursuant to the Government order from 15 July to 17 September 2020. 5. Business(es) of the applicant is/ are not conducted in a residential unit of a public rental housing estate/ a Home Ownership Scheme/ any other subsidised housing scheme, or any other premises where commercial activities are not allowed.

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		<p>6. The premises of the applicant does not form part of, and/ or is not attached to, a premises operating business(es) of a different nature (e.g. hotels, guesthouses, club-houses, catering establishments/ private kitchens, schools, offices, co-working spaces, training centres, studios, outdoor or indoor playgrounds, sports premises, places of public entertainment, amusement game centres or places of amusement).</p> <p>7. The premises of the applicant is not a carrier that can be used for transport (e.g. buses, trams or sea vessels).</p> <p>8. The premises of the applicant is not covered by other premises-based subsidy schemes under the third-round AEF (e.g. fitness centres, club-houses, sports premises, places of public entertainment, amusement game centres, places of amusement or commercial bathhouses).</p> <p>9. The applicant should be able to demonstrate that it is in business at site inspection by the Secretariat of the Scheme and/ or its authorised agent(s) during application vetting.</p>
7.	Subsidy Scheme for the Transport and Aviation Sector	<p><u>One-off subsidies to vehicles, cross-boundary ferries and aircrafts</u></p> <p>(a) A one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$15,000 per vehicle will be provided to the registered owner of each licenced non-franchised public bus (NFB), school private light bus (SPLB), and hire car. Eligibility criteria are as follows:</p> <p>(i) The registered owners who hold a valid vehicle licence of NFBs or SPLBs, or a valid hire car permit for private cars as at 15 September 2020; or</p> <p>(ii) The registered owners who did not hold a valid vehicle licence of NFBs or SPLBs, or a valid hire car permit for private cars as at 15 September 2020, but renewed the relevant vehicle licence/permit on or before 14 March 2021 (the registered owner after renewal must be the same as the original registered owner).</p> <p>(b) A one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$500,000 will be provided to operators of each eligible cross-boundary ferry vessel which held a valid Permit to operate High Speed Craft and still held a valid Certificate of Registry/Certificate of Ship's Nationality as at 28 September 2020; and was deployed for the provision of cross-boundary ferry services at the China Ferry Terminal, the Tuen Mun Ferry Terminal or the Hong Kong-Macau Ferry Terminal during the period from 30 July 2019 to 3 February 2020; or at the SkyPier at the</p>

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		<p data-bbox="875 268 2132 339">Hong Kong International Airport during the period from 25 September 2019 to 24 March 2020.</p> <p data-bbox="813 347 2132 587">(c) A one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$500,000 per large aircraft and \$100,000 per small aircraft registered in Hong Kong will be provided for Air Operator's Certificate (AOC) holders with AOC valid as at 1 August 2020 for no less than six months. The aircraft should have a valid Certificate of Airworthiness as at 1 August 2020. The beneficiaries do not include the Cathay Pacific Airways Limited and its wholly-owned subsidiaries (together as the "Cathay Group").</p> <hr/> <p data-bbox="813 632 2132 703"><u>One-off subsidy to aviation support services operators at the Hong Kong International Airport (HKIA)</u></p> <p data-bbox="813 711 2132 943">A one-off non-accountable two-tiered subsidy will be provided to each of the eligible aviation support services operators operating with a franchise, licence or operating permit issued by the Airport Authority Hong Kong (AAHK) at the HKIA based on their staff size. A subsidy of \$1.5 million will be provided to operators with 100 or more employees, while a subsidy of \$0.5 million will be provided to operators with fewer than 100 employees. The beneficiaries do not include the Cathay Group.</p>

<p>8.</p>	<p>One-off Relief Grant to Providers of Catering Services for Schools and Post-Secondary Education Institutions and Providers of Interest Classes and School Bus Services for Schools</p>	<p><u>Catering Outlets</u> Each catering outlet (namely, tuck shops, canteens or restaurants) at primary schools, secondary schools, University Grants Committee-funded universities, the Vocational Training Council, and self-financing post-secondary education institutions is eligible for a one-off relief grant of \$40,000, provided that the outlet has not applied for a relief grant under any other scheme in the third-round AEF. For the avoidance of doubt, one applying for the subsidy under the Employment Support Scheme is still eligible.</p> <p><u>Lunch Box Suppliers</u> All lunch box suppliers for primary and secondary schools holding a food factory licence are eligible for a one-off relief grant of \$5,000 for each serving school in the 2020/21 school year.</p> <p><u>School Bus Service Providers</u> Eligible school bus drivers/ school private light bus drivers/ nannies must currently provide transport/ escort service on a non-franchised public bus/ school private light bus with a valid Passenger Service Licence for service endorsement(s) (A03), (A05) and/or (D01), and provide student transport/ pick up service for a school bus operator in the 2020/21 school year to kindergartens, primary schools, secondary schools and special schools. In addition, eligible school bus drivers must hold a valid full driving licence for the relevant vehicle during the period of transport service.</p> <p>Eligible school bus service providers will be provided with a one-off relief grant, i.e. a subsidy of \$6,700 for each eligible driver; \$6,700 per vehicle for eligible nannies (the subsidy of \$6,700 will be shared among nannies based on their proportion of service time if more than one nanny serves at the same vehicle). Regarding cross-boundary school coach (CBSC) services, a subsidy of \$13,400 per CBSC will be provided for eligible nannies, and the maximum amount of subsidy for each nanny is \$6,700.</p> <p>Applicants cannot concurrently apply for subsidy from any other scheme under the third-round AEF. A proprietor of a fleet or vehicle receiving the subsidy under the Employment Support Scheme as a self-employed person who is also a driver is still eligible to apply for this relief grant.</p>
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School instructors of learning/interest classes

An instructor engaged by a publicly-funded, Direct Subsidy Scheme or private primary/secondary school offering a formal curriculum for the learning/ interest class(es) of an ongoing nature that is/are affected by suspension of classes or face-to-face teaching and cessation of on-campus activities (including tutors of learning classes under the School-based After-school Learning and Support Programmes) and is in the sector at the time of application will be provided with a one-off relief grant of \$5,000.

Applicants cannot concurrently apply for subsidy from any other scheme under the third-round AEF. Instructors who have applied for the subsidy under the Employment Support Scheme as a self-employed person are still eligible to apply for this relief grant

All operators and service providers mentioned above must have been engaged by schools/ post-secondary education institutions during periods of class suspension and cessation of on-campus activities and are in the respective trades at the time of the application.

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9.	Support for Child Care Centres (CCCs)	<p>All CCCs, including aided and non-aided standalone CCCs and CCCs attached to KGs registered with Social Welfare Department (SWD) or Education Bureau (EDB), were eligible for the special monthly grant for 4 months (September to December 2020). For CCCs which have received the first round of the CCC special grant, the grant of this round will be half the amount they previously received. CCCs which have not applied for the CCC special grant before, or have only commenced operation after 15 January 2020, may also apply in this round. The amount of grant per CCC will be based on the size of its enrolment (i.e. number of children) as at 5 October 2020, and is set at a full-day rate at \$2,000 and a half-day rate at \$1,000 for each enrolled child per month or the approved monthly fee, whichever is less.</p>
10.	Fitness Centre Subsidy Scheme	<p>Fitness centres meeting the following requirements will be granted a one-off subsidy of \$50,000:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) possessed a fixed address and individually-operated premises in Hong Kong where its principal and substantive business is to provide exercise machines or equipment on the premises for use, or to provide advice and instruction on, training for or assistance in improving physical fitness, including bodybuilding, dancing, yoga, pilates, body stretching and martial arts; (b) have commenced business before 15 July 2020 and have closed pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F) ; and (c) the business is still in operation at the time of application. <p>Fitness centres which are ineligible for the scheme include those:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) located in residential clubhouses or private clubs; (b) operated by holders of private recreational leases; or (c) that have received grant from other subsidy schemes under third-round AEF.

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11.	One-off Grant to Kindergarten and Private Schools	<p>A one-off grant is provided to all kindergartens (KGs) and private primary and secondary day schools with the rate as follows:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="909 379 2031 879"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="909 379 1720 424">Categories of KGs/schools</th> <th data-bbox="1720 379 2031 424">Rate</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="909 424 1720 836"> (i) KGs Long whole day¹¹: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 33 or less students • More than 33 students Kindergartens joining the kindergarten education scheme (Scheme-KGs) with whole day session: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 33 or less students • More than 33 students Scheme-KGs (half day) only Non-Scheme KGs </td> <td data-bbox="1720 424 2031 836"> \$60,000 \$80,000 \$50,000 \$70,000 \$30,000 \$40,000 </td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="909 836 1720 879">(ii) Private primary and secondary day schools¹²</td> <td data-bbox="1720 836 2031 879">\$40,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Categories of KGs/schools	Rate	(i) KGs Long whole day ¹¹ : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 33 or less students • More than 33 students Kindergartens joining the kindergarten education scheme (Scheme-KGs) with whole day session: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 33 or less students • More than 33 students Scheme-KGs (half day) only Non-Scheme KGs	\$60,000 \$80,000 \$50,000 \$70,000 \$30,000 \$40,000	(ii) Private primary and secondary day schools¹²	\$40,000
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12.	One-off Grant to Private Schools Offering Non-formal Curriculum	<p>All private schools offering non-formal curriculum (PSNFCs) and designated centres under Financial Assistance Scheme for Designated Evening Adult Education Courses (FAEAEC) registered under the Education Ordinance (Cap. 279) on or before the resumption of face-to-face classes by phases on 23 September 2020, which are in operation on the issue date of the relevant circular memorandum on 5 October 2020, are eligible for a one-off relief grant of \$20,000.</p>						
13.	One-off Grant to Registered Sports Coaches	<p>Sports coaches registered under National Sports Associations or recognized sports organizations who had provided coaching services since 1 April 2019 to 30 September 2020 can receive a one-off grant of \$5,000.</p>						

¹¹ Individual long whole-day KGs have a small number of half-day students. In such cases, two half-day students are counted as one student.

¹² Private primary and secondary day schools include international schools, Private Independent Schools and other private primary and secondary day schools offering formal curriculum.

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14.	Club-house Subsidy Scheme	<p>Existing holders of Certificates of Compliance (CoC) issued under the Clubs (Safety of Premises) Ordinance (Cap. 376) with validity falling within the period since 11 July 2020, when the relevant directions issued pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F) are in effect is eligible for a subsidy of \$50,000.</p> <p>An additional subsidy of \$25,000 will be provided to holders of CoC who also operate karaoke establishments, nightclubs or bars/pubs in their club-house premises.</p>
15.	Sports Premises Subsidy Scheme	<p>Operators of sports premises providing indoor or outdoor sporting activities (whether on land or not) which have been suspended with the introduction of requirements and restrictions imposed by the directions issued under Cap. 599F with effect from 29 July 2020 is eligible for a one-off subsidy of \$30,000.</p>
16.	Scheme on Relief Grants for Interest Class Instructors Hired by Subvented Non-governmental Welfare Organisations	<p>Interest class instructors who are beneficiaries of a similar scheme of the Social Welfare Department (SWD) under the second-round AEF (i.e. the measure of item 12 listed in Table II above) and have lost further income as a result of the continued suspension of service under the persistent epidemic situation, and interest class instructors engaged or planned to be engaged by any SWD-subvented welfare service units during the period from September to December 2020, with service having been/likely being suspended during the period and hence leading to income loss will be provided with a one-off relief grant of \$5,000.</p> <p>The applicants should not be beneficiaries of the measures listed in items 8 and 13 above in this table.</p>
17.	Arts and Culture Sector Subsidy Scheme - Subsidy to individual arts practitioners and freelancers	<p>To provide a one-off subsidy of \$5,000 to individual arts practitioners and freelancers who benefitted from the “Support Scheme for Arts and Cultural Sector” implemented by the Hong Kong Arts Development Council under the first-round AEF and practitioners in the Cantonese opera sector who benefitted from the “Cantonese Opera Sector Support Scheme” implemented by the Chinese Artists Association of Hong Kong also under the first-round AEF.</p>

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18.	Places of Public Entertainment Licence (PPEL) Holder Subsidy Scheme	<p>Places of public entertainment have been ordered to close for a period from mid-July to mid-September 2020 as specified under the directions issued by the Secretary for Food and Health pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F). Holders of PPEL (except those covered by the Cinemas Subsidy Scheme) (who is holding the same or such renewed licence at the time of subsidy application) or temporary PPEL (“TPPEL”) that is valid for any period from mid-July to mid-September 2020 and whose application for the licence is submitted on or before the publication of the relevant direction on 13 July 2020 are eligible under this scheme. A one-off subsidy of \$50,000 and \$10,000 respectively will be provided to each of the eligible PPEL and TPPEL holders.</p>
19.	Amusement Game Centres Subsidy Scheme	<p>Amusement game centres (“AGCs”) under the definition stipulated in the Amusement Game Centres Ordinance (Cap. 435) have been ordered to close for a period from mid-July to mid-September 2020 as specified under the directions issued by the Secretary for Food and Health pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F). Operators meeting the following criteria are eligible for the scheme to receive a one-off subsidy of \$50,000:</p> <p>(a) be either one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) a holder of an AGC licence that is valid for any period within the above specified period; (ii) the person-in-charge of an e-sports venue which has been exempted from Cap. 435 for any period within the above specified period; (iii) the applicant for an AGC exemption for e-sports operation; or (iv) the person-in-charge of an internet computer services centres (“ICSC”) in operation registered with the Office of the Licensing Authority under Home Affairs Department; <p>(b) the application for such AGC licence was made on or before the publication of the relevant direction on 13 July 2020, or the application for such e-sports exemption or ICSC registration was made before the announcement of the third-round AEF on 15 September 2020; and</p>

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		(c) the AGC/ e-sports venue/ ICSC concerned is still in operation and the subject AGC licence (or such renewed licence)/ exemption from Cap. 435/ e-sports exemption application/ ICSC registration of an eligible operator should remain valid at the time of submitting an application under this subsidy scheme.
20.	Cinemas Subsidy Scheme	To provide a one-off subsidy of \$50,000 per screen to each existing cinema holding a valid “Public Place of Entertainment” licence as of the date of application issued under the Places of Public Entertainment Ordinance (Cap. 172) and its subsidiary legislation, and has screened at least one commercially released film in July 2020. The maximum amount of subsidy is capped at \$1.5 million per circuit.
21.	Provision of subsidy to companies in the performing industry which organise pop concerts	To provide an additional assistance in the form of a grant of \$100,000 to each of the companies in the performing industry which organised pop concerts in any two years between 2017 and 2019 in designated venues.
22.	Arts and Culture Sector Subsidy Scheme - Rental support for tenants of Arts Spaces and Jockey Club Creative Arts Centre	To further extend the rental concession at 75% for tenants of Jockey Club Creative Arts Centre and arts spaces run by Hong Kong Arts Development Council for six months to March 2021.
23.	Sports and Recreational Sites Subsidy Scheme	Operators of sports and recreational facilities (with a valid land grant instrument of the site, including land lease, tenancy agreement or land licence) who have suspended their facilities on Government’s sites in response to the Government’s appeal for social distancing on 14 July 2020 will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$50,000 to each affected site.
24.	Mahjong/Tin Kau Licence Holder Subsidy Scheme	Mahjong / Tin Kau parlours have been ordered to close for a period from mid-July to mid-September 2020 as specified under the directions issued by the Secretary for Food and Health pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F). Holders of Mahjong / Tin Kau Licence (who is holding the same or such renewed licence at the time of subsidy application) that is valid for any period

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		<p>within the above specified period and whose application for the licence is submitted on or before the publication of the relevant direction on 13 July 2020 are eligible for a one-off subsidy of \$50,000.</p>
25.	Places of Amusement Licence Holders Subsidy Scheme	<p>Places of Amusement Licence Holders (viz. billiard establishments, public bowling-alleys and public skating rinks) fulfilling the following criteria will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$50,000:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the applicant holds a valid Places of Amusement Licence issued by the Director of Leisure and Cultural Services under the Places of Amusement Regulation (Cap. 132BA) on 9 October 2020; (b) no application for transfer, voluntary surrender or cancellation of licence in respect of the licensed premises is under processing in the period from the date of submission of the application to the date of approval of the application; and (c) the applicant holds the related valid licence in (a) above and the place of amusement is still in operation on the date of approval of the application.
26.	Further Subsidy to Commercial Bathhouses	<p>Licence holder of a commercial bathhouse fulfilling the following criteria will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$50,000:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An applicant is required to fulfil the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the applicant holds a valid Commercial Bathhouse Licence issued by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) on 15 July 2020 and on the date of approval of the application; (b) the commercial bathhouse business is in operation on the date of submission of the application and on the date of approval of the application; (c) no application for transfer, voluntary surrender or cancellation of licence in respect of the licensed Commercial Bathhouse is under processing between the date of submission of the application and the date of approval of the application; (d) the licensed premises have been closed for the entire period as specified in the direction issued under the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F) by which a bathhouse

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		<p>was ordered to be closed; and</p> <p>(e) the applicant is not subject to any bankruptcy or winding up procedure/ proceedings/ order at the time of the application and thereafter up to the grant of subsidy.</p> <p>2. As an exceptional arrangement, an applicant not holding a valid Commercial Bathhouse Licence on 15 July 2020 may apply for the subsidy, provided that:</p> <p>(a) an application for transfer of a licence was made on or before 15 July 2020, and the applicant is the approved transferee after 15 July 2020;</p> <p>(b) no subsidy has been granted by FEHD under this Subsidy Scheme to the original licence holder in respect of the concerned licence; and</p> <p>(c) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items (1)(b), (1)(c), (1)(d) and (1)(e) above.</p>

Table IV: Measures under fourth-round AEF

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1.	Catering Business Subsidy Scheme	<p>Further financial relief will be provided to catering outlets carrying on a business to sell or supply food for consumption on their premises. Subsidy will be offered to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) eligible holders of any of the following premises-based food licences in operation, including (i) general restaurant licence, (ii) light refreshment restaurant licence, (iii) marine restaurant licence, and (iv) factory canteen licence; and (b) cooked food/light refreshment stall tenants in Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) markets, as well as cooked food stall tenants holding a hawker licence and operating in public housing developments. <p>Each holder of the four types of relevant food licences (in (a)) which is in operation is eligible for a subsidy according to the approved floor area of its premises, as set out in the table below:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="945 821 2018 1070"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="945 821 1480 861">Floor area of licensed premises</th> <th data-bbox="1480 821 2018 861">Level of subsidy</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="945 861 1480 901">Not exceeding 100m²</td> <td data-bbox="1480 861 2018 901">\$100,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="945 901 1480 941">>100m² - 200m²</td> <td data-bbox="1480 901 2018 941">\$200,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="945 941 1480 981">>200m² - 400m²</td> <td data-bbox="1480 941 2018 981">\$300,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="945 981 1480 1021">>400m² - 700m²</td> <td data-bbox="1480 981 2018 1021">\$400,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="945 1021 1480 1070">>700m²</td> <td data-bbox="1480 1021 2018 1070">\$500,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An applicant is required to fulfil the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the applicant holds on or before 8 December 2020 a valid food business licence (full or provisional licence) of any one of the four targeted categories; and (b) the related food business licence is valid and the food business is in operation on the date of submission of the application and on the date of approval of the application; and (c) no application for transfer, voluntary surrender or cancellation of food business licence in respect of the licensed food premises is under processing in the period from the date of submission of the application to the date of approval of the application; and 	Floor area of licensed premises	Level of subsidy	Not exceeding 100m ²	\$100,000	>100m ² - 200m ²	\$200,000	>200m ² - 400m ²	\$300,000	>400m ² - 700m ²	\$400,000	>700m ²	\$500,000
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		<p>(d) the applicant holds the related valid licence in 1(a) above on the date of approval of the application (if the application for subsidy is submitted in respect of a provisional licence and the validity period of the provisional licence is less than one month on the date of submission of application, the related full licence has to be obtained either before the expiry of the provisional licence or close of application for the subsidy); and</p> <p>(e) the applicant is not subject to any bankruptcy or winding up procedure/ proceedings/ order at the time of the application and thereafter up to the grant of subsidy; and</p> <p>2. As an exceptional arrangement, an applicant not holding a valid food business licence on 8 December 2020 may apply for the subsidy, provided that:</p> <p>(a) in the case of a transfer of licence of one of the four targeted food business categories was made on or before 8 December 2020 -</p> <p>(i) the application was approved after 8 December 2020, and the applicant is the approved transferee; and</p> <p>(ii) no subsidy has been granted by FEHD under this Subsidy Scheme to the original licence holder in respect of the licence transferred; and</p> <p>(iii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items 1(b), 1(c),1(d) and 1(e) above.</p> <p>(b) in the case of a provisional licence held by the applicant in respect of the same premises which has, irrespective of the expiry date, expired:</p> <p>(i) the applicant is successful in obtaining a full licence before close of application (i.e. 28 January 2021) for the subsidy; and</p> <p>(ii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in item 1(b), 1(c),1(d) and 1(e) above.</p> <p>Each eligible catering outlets directed to close whole of its licensed premises, including karaoke establishments, night clubs and bars/pubs, is eligible for a further one-off subsidy of \$50,000.</p> <p>Cooked food/light refreshment stall tenants in FEHD markets, as well as cooked food stall tenants holding a hawker licence and operating in a public housing development, would each be eligible for a one-off subsidy of \$50,000.</p>

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		<p>To be eligible for the subsidy, a market tenant has to meet the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the tenancy agreement of the market stall entered into with the Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene is valid throughout the period from 8 December 2020 to the time of approval of the application; (b) the market stall has not suspended its operation due to improvement works to the relevant market throughout the period from 8 December 2020 to the time of approval of the application and has not been offered any rental waiver by FEHD in this regard; and (c) the applicant is not subject to any bankruptcy or winding up procedure/proceedings/order at the time of the application and up to the date of grant of subsidy. <p>To be eligible for the subsidy, a licensed hawker has to meet the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) is holder of a valid Fixed-Pitch (Cooked Food or Light Refreshment) Hawker Licence (“Hawker Licence”) issued by the Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene under the Hawker Regulation (Cap. 132AI) on or before 8 December 2020 and still holds a valid Hawker Licence at the time of approval of the application; (b) catering business at a cooked food hawker stall in a public housing development was operating on 8 December 2020 and is still operating at the time of approval of the application; and (c) is not subject to any bankruptcy or winding up procedure/proceedings/order at the time of the application and up to the grant of subsidy. <p><u>Food Court Subsidy Scheme</u></p> <p>A one-off subsidy will be provided to each eligible licence holder of food factory operating in a food court inside a shopping mall that satisfies the definition in item 1(b) below according to the approved floor area of the licensed premises as set out in the table below.</p>

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2.	Subsidy Scheme for Beauty Parlours, Massage Establishments and Party Rooms	<p><u>Beauty parlours and massage establishments</u></p> <p>Each eligible beauty parlour and massage establishment will receive a one-off subsidy depending on its number of workers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 to 2 workers: Subsidy of \$30,000 • 3 to 4 workers: Subsidy of \$60,000 • 5 or more workers: Subsidy of \$100,000 <p>The maximum amount of subsidy for a parent company that operates beauty parlour or massage establishment chain stores under the same business registration is \$3 million.</p> <p><u>Eligibility criteria</u></p> <p>1. The applicant provides one or more of the following services for non-medical purposes as its main business at its business premises:</p>

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		<p>(a) Skin and facial care services; (b) Weight control and slimming services; (c) Nail treatment; (d) Tattooing and/or piercing; (e) Professional hair loss improvement; (f) Body massage and/or spa treatment; (g) Foot reflexology; and/or (h) Other beauty, care, prettifying and/or massage service on any part of the body.</p> <p>Clinics/ medical centres managed/ operated by medical practitioners/ medical personnel and premises providing consultation or medical services are NOT eligible for the subsidy under the Scheme.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. The applicant operates its business independently in a standalone venue at a fixed location in Hong Kong. 3. The premises and services of the applicant should have been in operation before 10 December 2020. 4. The premises of the applicant has suspended operations pursuant to the Government order from 10 December 2020 to 17 February 2021 (An applicant whose premises has only suspended part of its operations/ services during the aforesaid period or whose premises has violated the closure order will be considered ineligible under the Scheme). 5. Business(es) of the applicant is/ are not conducted in a residential unit of a public rental housing estate/ a Home Ownership Scheme/ any other subsidised housing scheme, or any other premises where commercial activities are not allowed. 6. The premises of the applicant does NOT form part of, and/or is not attached to, a premises operating business(es) of a different nature (e.g. catering establishments, hotels, guesthouses, clubhouses). 7. The premises of the applicant is not covered by other premises-based subsidy schemes under the AEF (e.g. catering outlets, fitness centres, club-houses, sports premises, places of public entertainment, amusement game centres, places of amusement or commercial bathhouses). 8. The applicant should be able to demonstrate that it is in business at site inspection by the Secretariat of the Scheme and/ or its authorised agent(s) during application vetting.

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		<p data-bbox="819 309 1005 341"><u>Party rooms</u></p> <p data-bbox="819 344 1968 379">Each eligible party room/pleasure vessel will receive a one-off subsidy of \$40,000.</p> <p data-bbox="819 427 1070 459"><u>Eligibility criteria</u></p> <ol data-bbox="819 467 2150 1461" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="819 467 1223 499">1. The applicant should be:<ol data-bbox="882 507 2150 978" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="882 507 2150 738">(a) Conducting a main business of commercial renting of physical indoor premises on a short-term basis, for exclusive use by a designated group of customers during a specified period of time for private events/gatherings of a leisure or recreational nature (which shall exclude those solely or mainly for gatherings for classes/ trainings/ music or dance practices, activities or performances/ religious activities/ consumption of food and beverages);<li data-bbox="882 746 2150 818">(b) Prior booking for use of the premises is necessary and no walk-in customer is to be entertained for use of the premises; and<li data-bbox="882 826 2150 978">(c) The business should have an online presence for marketing and/ or reservation. Reservation can be made by members of the public through online common reservation platforms, social media accounts or through contact by email, instant messaging (such as WhatsApp or WeChat) or telephone.<li data-bbox="819 986 2150 1058">2. The applicant operates its business independently in a standalone venue at a fixed location in Hong Kong.<li data-bbox="819 1066 2150 1137">3. The premises and services of the applicant should have been in operation before 22 November 2020.<li data-bbox="819 1145 2150 1265">4. The premises of the applicant has suspended operations pursuant to the Government order from 22 November 2020 to 28 April 2021 (An applicant whose premises has violated the closure order will be considered ineligible under the Scheme).<li data-bbox="819 1273 2150 1377">5. Business(es) of the applicant is/ are not conducted in a residential unit of a public rental housing estate/ a Home Ownership Scheme/ any other subsidised housing scheme, or any other premises where commercial activities are not allowed.<li data-bbox="819 1385 2150 1461">6. The premises of the applicant does not form part of, and/ or is not attached to, a premises operating business(es) of a different nature (e.g. hotels, guesthouses, club-houses, catering

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		<p>establishments/ private kitchens, schools, offices, co-working spaces, training centres, studios, outdoor or indoor playgrounds, sports premises, places of public entertainment, amusement game centres or places of amusement).</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. The premises of the applicant is not a carrier that can be used for transport (save for local pleasure vessels let for hire or reward which are subject to the closure order). 8. The premises of the applicant is not covered by other premises-based subsidy schemes under the AEF (e.g. catering establishments, fitness centres, club-houses, sports premises, places of public entertainment, amusement game centres, places of amusement or commercial bathhouses). 9. The applicant should be able to demonstrate that it is in business at site inspection by the Secretariat of the Scheme and/ or its authorised agent(s) during application vetting. <p><u>Eligibility criteria for local pleasure vessels let for hire or reward</u> Pleasure vessels let for hire or reward holding a valid certificate of survey or certificate of inspection and operating licence on a specified date or within a specified period with condition and have suspended operations pursuant to the Government order since 22 November 2020 would be eligible to receive the subsidy.</p>
3.	One-off relief grant to providers of catering services for schools as well as post-secondary education institutions, interest classes and school bus services for schools	<p><u>Catering Outlets</u> Each catering outlet (namely, tuck shops, canteens or restaurants) at primary schools, secondary schools, University Grants Committee-funded universities, the Vocational Training Council, and self-financing post-secondary education institutions is eligible for a one-off relief grant of \$80,000, provided that the outlet has not applied for a relief grant under any other scheme under this round of AEF.</p> <p><u>Lunch Box Suppliers</u> All lunch box suppliers for primary and secondary schools holding a food factory licence are eligible for a one-off relief grant of \$10,000 for each serving school.</p>

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		<p><u>School Bus Service Providers</u> Eligible school bus drivers/ school private light bus drivers/ nannies must currently provide transport/ escort service on a non-franchised public bus/ school private light bus with a valid Passenger Service Licence for service endorsement(s) (A03), (A05) and/or (D01), and provide student transport/ pick up service for a school bus operator in the 2020/21 school year to kindergartens, primary schools, secondary schools and special schools. In addition, eligible school bus drivers must hold a valid full driving licence for the relevant vehicle during the period of transport service.</p> <p>Eligible school bus service providers will be provided with a one-off relief grant, i.e. a subsidy of \$10,000 for each eligible driver; \$10,000 per vehicle for eligible nannies (the subsidy of \$10,000 will be shared among nannies based on their proportion of service time if more than one nanny serves at the same vehicle). Regarding cross-boundary school coach (CBSC) services, a subsidy of \$20,000 per CBSC will be provided for eligible nannies, and the maximum amount of subsidy for each nanny is \$10,000.</p> <p>Applicants cannot concurrently apply for subsidy from any other scheme under the current round of AEF.</p> <p><u>School instructors of learning/interest classes</u> An instructor engaged by a publicly-funded, Direct Subsidy Scheme or private primary/ secondary school offering a formal curriculum for the learning/ interest class(es) of an ongoing nature that is/are affected by suspension of face-to-face classes or half-day schooling and cessation of on-campus activities (including tutors of learning classes under the School-based After-school Learning and Support Programmes) and is in the sector at the time of application will be provided with a one-off relief grant of \$7,500.</p> <p>Applicants cannot concurrently apply for subsidy from any other scheme under the current round of AEF.</p>

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		All operators and service providers mentioned above must have been engaged by schools/ post-secondary education institutions during periods of suspension of face-to face classes / half-day schooling and cessation of on-campus activities and are in the respective trades at the time of the application.
4.	Support for Child Care Centres	All CCCs, including aided and non-aided standalone CCCs and CCCs attached to KGs registered with Social Welfare Department (SWD) or Education Bureau (EDB) were eligible for the special monthly grant for 4 months (January to April 2021). The grant of this round will be set at the same amount provided to each CCC under the first round, i.e. at a full-day rate at \$4,000 and a half-day rate at \$2,000 for each enrolled child per month or the approved monthly fee, whichever is less. CCCs which have not applied for the CCC special grant before, or have only commenced operation after September 2020, may also apply in this round, with the amount of granted calculated based on the size of enrolment as at 2 November 2020.

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5.	Fitness Centre and Sports Premises Subsidy Scheme	<p><u>Fitness Centres</u> Fitness centres meeting the following requirements will be granted a one-off subsidy of \$100,000:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) possessed a fixed address and individually-operated premises in Hong Kong where its principal and substantive business is to provide exercise machines or equipment on the premises for use, or to provide advice and instruction on, training for or assistance in improving physical fitness, including bodybuilding, dancing, yoga, pilates, body stretching and martial arts; (b) have commenced business before 10 December 2020 and have closed pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F) ; and (c) the business is still in operation at the time of application. <p>Fitness centres which are ineligible for the scheme include those:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) located in residential clubhouses or private clubs, (b) operated by holders of private recreational leases, or (c) that have received grant from other subsidy schemes under this round of AEF. <p><u>Sports Premises</u> Operators of sports premises providing indoor or outdoor sporting activities (whether on land or not) which have suspended operation with the introduction of requirements and restrictions imposed by the directions issued under Cap. 599F with effect from 10 December 2020 is eligible for a one-off subsidy of \$100,000.</p>				
6.	One-off grant to kindergartens and private schools	<p>A one-off grant is provided to all kindergartens (KGs) and private primary and secondary day schools with the rate as follows:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="920 1426 2042 1465"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="920 1426 1731 1465">Categories of KGs/schools</th> <th data-bbox="1731 1426 2042 1465">Rate</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td> </td> <td> </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Categories of KGs/schools	Rate		
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7.	One-off grant to private schools offering non-formal curriculum	All private schools offering non-formal curriculum (PSNFCs) and designated centres under Financial Assistance Scheme for Designated Evening Adult Education Courses (FAEAEC) registered under the Education Ordinance (Cap. 279) that are in operation on 30 December 2020 are eligible for a one-off relief grant of \$40,000.				
8.	Club-house Subsidy Scheme	<p>Existing holders of Certificates of Compliance (CoC) issued under the Clubs (Safety of Premises) Ordinance (Cap. 376) with validity falling within the period since 26 November 2020, when the relevant directions issued pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F) are in effect is eligible for a subsidy of \$100,000.</p> <p>An additional subsidy of \$50,000 will be provided to holders of CoC who also operate karaoke establishments, nightclubs or bars/pubs in their club-house premises.</p>				

¹³ Individual long whole-day KGs have a small number of half-day students. In such cases, two half-day students are counted as one student.

¹⁴ Including international schools, Private Independent Schools and other private primary and secondary day schools offering formal curriculum.

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9.	One-off grant to registered sports coaches	Sports coaches registered under National Sports Associations or recognized sports organizations who had provided coaching services since 1 April 2019 to 31 December 2020 can receive a one-off grant of \$7,500.
10.	Scheme on Relief Grants for Interest Class Instructors Hired by Subvented Non-governmental Welfare Organisations	<p>Interest class instructors who are beneficiaries of the similar schemes of the Social Welfare Department (SWD) under the second-and/or third-round AEF (i.e. the measure of item 12 listed in Table II and item 16 listed in Table III above respectively), have lost further income as a result of the continued suspension of service under the persistent epidemic situation, and engaged or planned to be engaged by any SWD-subvented welfare service units during the period from January to April 2021 with service having been/likely to be suspended during the period and hence leading to income loss will be provided with a one-off relief grant of \$7,500.</p> <p>The applicants should not be beneficiaries of the measures listed in items 3 and 9 above in this table.</p>
11.	Arts and Culture Sector Subsidy Scheme – Subsidy to individual arts practitioners and freelancers	To provide a one-off subsidy of \$7,500 to individual arts practitioners and freelancers who benefitted from the “Support Scheme for Arts and Cultural Sector” implemented by the Hong Kong Arts Development Council under the first-round AEF and practitioners in the Cantonese opera sector who benefitted from the “Cantonese Opera Sector Support Scheme” implemented by the Chinese Artists Association of Hong Kong also under the first-round AEF.
12.	Ex-gratia payment to part-time instructors/staff/personnel affected by cancellation of sports & recreation and culture programmes organised by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD)	To tie in with the Government’s implementation of the social distancing measures, most of leisure and cultural venues have been ordered to close down and all the programmes organised or subvented by LCSD have to be cancelled. With the cancellation of the planned programmes, part-time instructors/staff/personnel who have already been engaged by LCSD or National Sports Associations (NSAs) were seriously affected, the Government considered that there is a need to provide ex-gratia payment equivalent to the full salary of the concerned personnel for services that would be delivered for the cancelled sports & recreation and culture programmes to be held or commenced from 28 November 2020 to 31 January 2021 so as to relieve their

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		<p>difficulty under the pandemic. The following staff are entitled to receive the ex-gratia payment -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Part-time instructors/coaches/sports related personnel who are engaged by LCSD, or NSAs under the Sports Subvention Scheme, to conduct programmes from 28 November 2020 to 31 January 2021 that are cancelled due to the closure of sports venues; (b) Speakers and storytellers who are engaged by LCSD libraries to conduct programmes from 2 December 2020 to 31 January 2021 that are cancelled due to the closure of public libraries; and (c) Part-time ushers and part-time ticketing assistants engaged by LCSD to provide services to programmes from 2 December 2020 to 31 January 2021 that are cancelled due to the closure of performance venues.
13.	Places of Public Entertainment Licence (PPEL) Holder Subsidy Scheme	<p>Places of public entertainment have been ordered to close for a period from early December 2020 to mid-February 2021 as specified under the directions issued by the Secretary for Food and Health pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F). Holders of PPEL (except those covered by the Cinemas Subsidy Scheme) (who is holding the same or such renewed licence at the time of subsidy application) or temporary PPEL (“TPPEL”) that is valid for any period within the above specified period and whose application for the licence is submitted on or before the publication of the relevant direction on 30 November 2020 are eligible under this scheme. A one-off subsidy of \$100,000 and \$20,000 respectively will be provided to each of the eligible PPEL and TPPEL holders.</p>
14.	Amusement Game Centres Subsidy Scheme	<p>Amusement game centres (“AGCs”) under the definition stipulated in the Amusement Game Centres Ordinance (Cap. 435) have been ordered to close for a period from early December 2020 to mid-February 2021 as specified under the directions issued by the Secretary for Food and Health pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F). Operators meeting the following criteria are eligible for the scheme to receive a one-off subsidy of \$100,000:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) be either one of the following:

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) a holder of an AGC licence that is valid for any period within the above specified period; (ii) the person-in-charge of an e-sports venue which has been exempted from Cap. 435 for any period within the above specified period; (iii) the applicant for an AGC exemption for e-sports operation; or (iv) the person-in-charge of an internet computer services centres (“ICSC”) in operation registered with the Office of the Licensing Authority under Home Affairs Department; <p>(b) the application for such AGC licence was made on or before the publication of the relevant direction on 30 November 2020, or the application for such e-sports exemption or ICSC registration was made before the announcement of the fourth-round AEF on 17 December 2020; and</p> <p>(c) the AGC/ e-sports venue/ ICSC concerned is still in operation and the subject AGC licence (or such renewed licence)/ exemption from Cap. 435/ e-sports exemption application/ ICSC registration of an eligible operator should remain valid at the time of submitting an application under this subsidy scheme.</p>
15.	Cinemas Subsidy Scheme	To provide a one-off subsidy of \$100,000 per screen to each existing cinema holding a valid “Public Place of Entertainment” licence as of the date of application issued under the Places of Public Entertainment Ordinance (Cap. 172) and its subsidiary legislation, and has screened at least one commercially released film in November 2020. The maximum amount of subsidy is capped at \$3 million per circuit.
16.	Sports and Recreational Sites Subsidy Scheme	Operators of sports and recreational facilities (with a valid land grant instrument of the site, including land lease, tenancy agreement or land licence) who have suspended their facilities on Government’s sites with the introduction of requirements and restrictions imposed by the directions issued under the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F) with effect from 10 December 2020 will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$100,000 to each affected site.

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17.	Mahjong/Tin Kau Licence Holder Subsidy Scheme	Mahjong/Tin Kau parlours have been ordered to close for a period from early December 2020 to mid-February 2021 as specified under the directions issued by the Secretary for Food and Health pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F). Holders of Mahjong / Tin Kau Licence (who is holding the same or such renewed licence at the time of subsidy application) that is valid for any period within the above specified period and whose application for the licence is submitted on or before the publication of the relevant direction on 30 November 2020 are eligible for a one-off subsidy of \$100,000.
18.	Places of Amusement Licence Holders Subsidy Scheme	<p>Places of Amusement Licence Holders (viz. billiard establishments, public bowling-alleys and public skating rinks) fulfilling the following criteria will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$100,000:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Holders of a valid Places of Amusement Licence issued by the Director of Leisure and Cultural Services under the Places of Amusement Regulation (Cap. 132BA); (b) no application for transfer, voluntary surrender or cancellation of licence in respect of the licensed premises is under processing in the period from the date of submission of the application to the date of approval of the application; and (c) the applicant holds the related valid licence in (a) above and the place of amusement is still in operation on the date of approval of the application.
19.	Further subsidy to commercial bathhouses	<p>Licence holder of a commercial bathhouse fulfilling the following criteria will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$100,000:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An applicant is required to fulfil the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the applicant holds a valid Commercial Bathhouse Licence issued by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) on 26 November 2020 and on the date of approval of the application; (b) the commercial bathhouse business is in operation on the date of submission of the application and on the date of approval of the application; (c) no application for transfer, voluntary surrender or cancellation of licence in respect of the licensed Commercial Bathhouse is under processing between the date of

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		<p>submission of the application and the date of approval of the application;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (d) the licensed premises have been closed for the entire period as specified in the direction issued under the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F) by which a bathhouse was ordered to be closed; and (e) the applicant is not subject to any bankruptcy or winding up procedure/ proceedings/ order at the time of the application and thereafter up to the grant of subsidy. <p>2. As an exceptional arrangement, an applicant not holding a valid Commercial Bathhouse Licence on 26 November 2020 may apply for the subsidy, provided that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) an application for transfer of a licence was made on or before 26 November 2020, and the applicant is the approved transferee after 26 November 2020; (b) no subsidy has been granted by FEHD under this Subsidy Scheme to the original licence holder in respect of the concerned licence; and (c) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items (1)(b), (1)(c), (1)(d) and (1)(e) above.

Table V. Measures under fifth-round AEF

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1.	Catering Business Subsidy Scheme	<p>Financial relief will be provided to catering outlets carrying on a business to sell or supply food for consumption on their premises. Subsidy will be offered to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) eligible holders of any of the following premises-based food business licences in operation, including (i) general restaurant licence, (ii) light refreshment restaurant licence, (iii) marine restaurant licence, and (iv) factory canteen licence; and (b) cooked food/light refreshment stall tenants in Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) markets, as well as cooked food stall tenants holding a hawker licence and operating in public housing developments. <p>Each holder of the four types of relevant food licences (in (a)) which is in operation is eligible for a subsidy according to the approved floor area of its premises, as set out in the table below:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="929 821 2004 1072"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="929 821 1467 861">Floor area of licensed premises</th> <th data-bbox="1467 821 2004 861">Level of subsidy</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="929 861 1467 901">Not exceeding 100m²</td> <td data-bbox="1467 861 2004 901">\$50,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="929 901 1467 941">>100m² - 200m²</td> <td data-bbox="1467 901 2004 941">\$100,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="929 941 1467 981">>200m² - 400m²</td> <td data-bbox="1467 941 2004 981">\$150,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="929 981 1467 1021">>400m² - 700m²</td> <td data-bbox="1467 981 2004 1021">\$200,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="929 1021 1467 1072">>700m²</td> <td data-bbox="1467 1021 2004 1072">\$250,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An applicant is required to fulfil the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the applicant holds on or before 31 December 2021 a valid food business licence (full or provisional licence) of any one of the four targeted categories; and (b) the related food business licence is valid and the food business is in operation on the date of submission of the application and on the date of approval of the application; and (c) no application for transfer, voluntary surrender or cancellation of food business licence in respect of the licensed food premises is under processing in the period from the date of submission of the application to the date of approval of the application; and 	Floor area of licensed premises	Level of subsidy	Not exceeding 100m ²	\$50,000	>100m ² - 200m ²	\$100,000	>200m ² - 400m ²	\$150,000	>400m ² - 700m ²	\$200,000	>700m ²	\$250,000
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		<p>(d) the applicant holds the related valid licence in 1(a) above on the date of approval of the application (if the application for subsidy is submitted in respect of a provisional licence and the validity period of the provisional licence is less than one month on the date of submission of application, the related full licence has to be obtained either before the expiry of the provisional licence or close of application for the subsidy); and</p> <p>(e) the applicant is not subject to any bankruptcy or winding up procedure/ proceedings/ order at the time of the application and thereafter up to the grant of subsidy.</p> <p>2. As an exceptional arrangement, an applicant not holding a valid food business licence on 31 December 2021 may apply for the subsidy, provided that:</p> <p>(a) in the case where the application for transfer of licence of one of the four targeted categories was made on or before 31 December 2021:</p> <p>(i) the application was approved after 31 December 2021, and the applicant is the approved transferee; and</p> <p>(ii) no subsidy has been granted by FEHD under this Subsidy Scheme to the original licence holder in respect of the licence transferred ; and</p> <p>(iii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items 1(b), 1(c), 1(d) and 1(e) above.</p> <p>(b) in the case of a provisional licence held by the applicant in respect of the same premises which has, irrespective of the expiry date, expired:</p> <p>(i) the applicant is successful in obtaining a full licence before close of application for the subsidy (i.e. 18 February 2022); and</p> <p>(ii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items 1(b), 1(c), 1(d) and 1(e) above.</p> <p>Each eligible catering outlets directed to close whole of its licensed premises, including karaoke establishments, night clubs and bars/pubs, is eligible for a further one-off subsidy of \$25,000.</p> <p>Cooked food/light refreshment stall tenants in FEHD markets, as well as cooked food stall tenants holding a hawker licence and operating in a public housing development, would each be eligible for a one-off subsidy of \$25,000.</p> <p>To be eligible for the subsidy, a market tenant has to meet the following criteria:</p>

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		<p>(a) the tenancy agreement of the market stall entered into with the Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene is valid throughout the period from 7 January 2022 to the time of approval of the application;</p> <p>(b) the market stall has not suspended its operation due to improvement works to the relevant market throughout the period from 7 January 2022 to the time of approval of the application and has not been offered any rental waiver by FEHD in this regard; and</p> <p>(c) the applicant is not subject to any bankruptcy or winding up procedure/proceedings/order at the time of the application and up to the date of grant of subsidy.</p> <p>To be eligible for the subsidy, a licensed hawker has to meet the following criteria:</p> <p>(a) is holder of a valid Fixed-Pitch (Cooked Food or Light Refreshment) Hawker Licence (“Hawker Licence”) issued by the Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene under the Hawker Regulation (Cap. 132AI) on or before 7 January 2022 and still holds a valid Hawker Licence at the time of approval of the application;</p> <p>(b) catering business at a cooked food hawker stall in a public housing development was operating on 7 January 2022 and is still operating at the time of approval of the application; and</p> <p>(c) is not subject to any bankruptcy or winding up procedure/proceedings/order at the time of the application and up to the grant of subsidy.</p> <p><u>Food Court Subsidy Scheme</u></p> <p>A one-off subsidy will be provided to each eligible licence holder of food factory operating in a food court inside a shopping mall that satisfies the definition in item 1(b) below according to the approved floor area of the licensed premises as set out in the table below.</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) in the case where the application for transfer of the food factory licence was made on or before 31 December 2021 – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the application was approved after 31 December 2021, and the applicant is the approved transferee; AND (ii) no subsidy has been granted by FEHD under this Subsidy Scheme to the original licence holder in respect of the licence transferred; AND (iii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items 1(b), 1(c), 1(d), 1(e) and 1(f) above. (b) in the case of a provisional licence held by the applicant in respect of the same premises which has, irrespective of the expiry date, expired– <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the applicant is successful in obtaining a full licence before close of application for the subsidy (i.e. 18 February 2022); AND (ii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items 1(b), 1(c), 1(d), 1(e) and 1(f) above.
2.	Further Subsidy to Commercial Bathhouses	<p>Licence holder of a commercial bathhouse fulfilling the following criteria will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$50,000:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An applicant is required to fulfil the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the applicant holds a valid Commercial Bathhouse Licence issued by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) on 7 January 2022 and on the date of approval of the application; (b) the commercial bathhouse business is in operation on the date of submission of the application and on the date of approval of the application; (c) no application for transfer, voluntary surrender or cancellation of licence in respect of the licensed Commercial Bathhouse is under processing between the date of submission of the application and the date of approval of the application; (d) the licensed premises have been closed for the entire period as specified in the direction issued under the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F); and (e) the applicant is not subject to any bankruptcy or winding up procedure/ proceedings/

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		<p>order at the time of the application and thereafter up to the grant of subsidy.</p> <p>2. As an exceptional arrangement, an applicant not holding a valid Commercial Bathhouse Licence on 7 January 2022 may apply for the subsidy, provided that:</p> <p>(a) an application for transfer of a licence was made on or before 6 January 2022, and the applicant is the approved transferee after 6 January 2022;</p> <p>(b) no subsidy has been granted by FEHD under this Subsidy Scheme to the original licence holder in respect of the concerned licence; and</p> <p>(c) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items (1)(b), (1)(c), (1)(d) and (1)(e) above.</p>
3.	Ex-gratia payment for the Cancellation of 2022 Lunar New Year Fairs, Fong Ma Po Traditional Festival Fair and Che Kung Festival Fair under the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department	To grant an ex-gratia payment pitched at 50% of the stall licence fees to the licensees affected by the cancellation of 2022 Lunar New Year Fairs, Fong Ma Po Traditional Festival Fair and Che Kung Traditional Festival Fair under the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department.
4.	Ex-gratia Payment for the Cancellation of FarmFest 2022	<p>Each participating unit (fisherman/farmer) is eligible for a one-off ex-gratia payment of \$5,000, the eligibility criteria are as follows:</p> <p>(a) the applicant has to be a fisherman, farmer, fishing entity or farming entity that has already signed the contract (2022 本地漁農美食嘉年華經營權合約) with the Fish / Vegetable Marketing Organization; and</p> <p>(b) the applicant must have been allocated one or more agricultural or fisheries booths at the FarmFest 2022 and paid the rental fee in full (vendors of commercial booth are not eligible to apply).</p>
5.	Ex-gratia payment for pets shops selling hamsters	Pet shops holding a valid Animal Trader Licence for selling hamsters may apply to the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department for a one-off ex-gratia payment under the Anti-epidemic Fund. Each eligible pet shop is entitled to a one-off ex-gratia payment of between \$10,000 and \$30,000 based on the floor area of their pet shop premises as indicated in their licence applications, as set out below –

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Floor area not exceeding 20 m²- \$10,000 • Floor area between 20 m² and 60 m²- \$20,000 • Floor area exceeding 60 m²- \$30,000
6.	Subsidy Scheme for Beauty Parlours, Massage Establishments and Party Rooms 2022	<p><u>Subsidy for beauty parlours and massage establishments</u></p> <p>Each eligible beauty parlour and massage establishment will receive a one-off subsidy depending on its number of workers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 to 2 workers: Subsidy of \$15,000 • 3 to 4 workers: Subsidy of \$30,000 • 5 or more workers: Subsidy of \$50,000 <p>The maximum amount of subsidy for a beauty parlour or massage establishment chain under the same business registration is \$1.5 million.</p> <p>Eligibility criteria for beauty parlours and massage establishments:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The applicant provides one or more of the following services for non-medical purposes as its main business at its business premises: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Skin and facial care services; (b) Weight control and slimming services; (c) Nail treatment; (d) Tattooing and/or piercing; (e) Professional hair loss improvement; (f) Body massage and/or spa treatment; (g) Foot reflexology; and/or (h) Other beauty, care, prettifying and/or massage service on any part of the body. <p>Clinics/ medical centres managed/ operated by medical practitioners/ medical personnel and premises providing consultation or medical services are not eligible for the subsidy under the Scheme;</p>

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		<p>2. The applicant operates its business independently in a standalone venue at a fixed location in Hong Kong;</p> <p>3. The premises and services of the applicant should have been in operation before 7 January 2022;</p> <p>4. The premises of the applicant have suspended operations pursuant to the Government order from 7 January to 20 April 2022. An applicant whose premises have only suspended part of its operations/ services during the period when the closure order took effect, or whose premises have violated the closure order, will be considered ineligible under the Scheme (The Secretariat of the Scheme (the Secretariat) may verify with relevant law enforcement agencies on whether there has been any violation of disease prevention and control measures at the subject premises during the vetting process);</p> <p>5. Business(es) of the applicant is/ are not conducted in a residential unit of a public rental housing estate/ a Home Ownership Scheme/ any other subsidised housing scheme, or any other premises where commercial activities are not allowed;</p> <p>6. The premises of the applicant do not form part of, and/or is not attached to, a premises operating business(es) of a different nature (e.g. catering establishments, hotels, guesthouses or clubhouses);</p> <p>7. The premises of the applicant are not covered by other premises-based subsidy schemes under the AEF (e.g. catering establishments, fitness centres, club-houses, sports premises, places of public entertainment, amusement game centres, places of amusement or commercial bathhouses); and</p> <p>8. The applicant should be able to demonstrate that it is in business at site inspection by the Secretariat and/ or its authorised agent(s) during application vetting.</p> <p><u>Subsidy for party rooms</u> Each eligible party room will receive a one-off subsidy of \$20,000.</p> <p>Eligibility criteria for party rooms:</p> <p>1. The applicant should be:</p>

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		<p>(a) Conducting a main business of commercial renting of physical indoor premises on a short-term basis, for exclusive use by a designated group of customers during a specified period of time for private events/gatherings of a leisure or recreational nature (which shall exclude those solely or mainly for gatherings for classes/ trainings/ music or dance practices, activities or performances/ religious activities/ consumption of food and beverages);</p> <p>(b) Prior booking for use of the premises is necessary and no walk-in customer is to be entertained for use of the premises; and</p> <p>(c) The business should have an online presence for marketing and/or reservation. Reservation can be made by members of the public through online common reservation platforms, social media accounts or through contact by email, instant messaging (such as WhatsApp or WeChat) or telephone;</p> <p>2. The applicant operates its business independently in a standalone venue at a fixed location in Hong Kong;</p> <p>3. The premises and services of the applicant should have been in operation before 7 January 2022;</p> <p>4. The premises of the applicant have suspended operations pursuant to the Government order from 7 January to 18 May 2022. An applicant whose premises have violated the closure order, or any Cap. 599-related disease prevention and control measures from 29 April 2021 to date will be considered ineligible under the Scheme (The Secretariat may verify with relevant law enforcement agencies on whether there has been any violation of disease prevention and control measures at the subject premises during the vetting process);</p> <p>5. Business(es) of the applicant is/are not conducted in a residential unit of a public rental housing estate/ a Home Ownership Scheme/ any other subsidised housing scheme, or any other premises where commercial activities are not allowed;</p> <p>6. The premises of the applicant does not form part of, and/or is not attached to, a premises operating business(es) of a different nature (e.g. hotels, guesthouses, club-houses, catering establishments/private kitchens, schools, offices, co-working spaces, training centres, studios, outdoor or indoor playgrounds, sports premises, places of public entertainment, amusement game centres or places of amusement);</p>

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		<p>7. The premises of the applicant are not a carrier that can be used for transport (save for local pleasure vessels let for hire or reward which are subject to the closure order); and</p> <p>8. The premises of the applicant are not covered by other premises-based subsidy schemes under the AEF (e.g. catering establishments, fitness centres, club-houses, sports premises, places of public entertainment, amusement game centres, places of amusement or commercial bathhouses);</p> <p>9. The applicant should be able to demonstrate that it is in business at site inspection by the Secretariat and/ or its authorised agent(s) during application vetting.</p> <p><u>Subsidy for local pleasure vessels let for hire or reward</u> Pleasure vessels holding a valid certificate of survey or certificate of inspection and a valid operating licence endorsed to be let for hire or reward on 6 January 2022 and have suspended operations pursuant to the Government order since 7 January 2022 would be eligible to receive the one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$20,000 for each vessel.</p>
7.	Cinemas Subsidy Scheme	To provide a one-off subsidy of \$50,000 per screen to each cinema holding a valid “Public Place of Entertainment” licence as of the date of application issued under the Places of Public Entertainment Ordinance (Cap. 172) and its subsidiary legislation, and has screened at least one commercially released film in December 2021. The maximum amount of subsidy is capped at \$1.5 million per circuit.
8.	Fitness Centre and Sports Premises Subsidy Scheme	<p><u>Fitness Centres</u> Fitness centres meeting the following requirements will be granted a one-off subsidy of \$50,000:</p> <p>(a) possessed a fixed address and individually-operated premises in Hong Kong where its principal and substantive business is to provide exercise machines or equipment on the premises for use, or to provide advice and instruction on, training for or assistance in improving physical fitness, including bodybuilding, dancing, yoga, pilates, body stretching and martial arts;</p>

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		<p>(b) have commenced business before 7 January 2022 and have closed pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F) ; and</p> <p>(c) the business is still in operation at the time of application.</p> <p>Fitness centres which are ineligible for the scheme include those:</p> <p>(a) located in residential clubhouses or private clubs,</p> <p>(b) facilities operated by holders of private recreational leases, or</p> <p>(c) that have received grant from other subsidy schemes under this round of AEF.</p> <p><u>Sports Premises</u></p> <p>Operators of sports premises providing sporting activities (whether on land or not) which have suspended operation with the introduction of requirements and restrictions imposed by the directions issued under Cap. 599F with effect from 7 January 2022 is eligible for a one-off subsidy of \$50,000.</p>
9.	Club-house Subsidy Scheme	<p>Existing holders of Certificates of Compliance (CoC) issued under the Clubs (Safety of Premises) Ordinance (Cap. 376) with validity falling within the period since 7 January 2022, when the relevant directions issued pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F) are in effect is eligible for a subsidy of \$50,000.</p> <p>An additional subsidy of \$25,000 will be provided to holders of CoC who also operate karaoke establishments, nightclubs or bars/pubs in their club-house premises.</p>
10.	Places of Public Entertainment Licence (PPEL) Holder Subsidy Scheme	<p>Places of public entertainment have been ordered to close for a period from early January 2022 to mid-April 2022 as specified under the directions issued by the Secretary for Food and Health pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F). Holders of PPEL (except those covered by the Cinemas Subsidy Scheme) (who is holding the same or such renewed licence at the time of subsidy</p>

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		<p>application) or temporary PPEL (“TPPEL”) that is valid for any period within the above specified period and whose application for the licence is submitted on or before the publication of the relevant direction on 5 January 2022 are eligible under this scheme. A one-off subsidy of \$50,000 and \$10,000 respectively will be provided to each of the eligible PPEL and TPPEL holders.</p>
11.	Amusement Game Centres Subsidy Scheme	<p>Amusement game centres (“AGCs”) under the definition stipulated in the Amusement Game Centres Ordinance (Cap. 435) have been ordered to close for a period from early January 2022 to mid-April 2022 as specified under the directions issued by the Secretary for Food and Health pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F). Operators meeting the following criteria are eligible for the scheme to receive a one-off subsidy of \$50,000:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) be either one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) a holder of an AGC licence that is valid for any period within the above specified period; (ii) the person-in-charge of an e-sports venue which has been exempted from Cap. 435 for any period within the above specified period; (iii) the applicant for an AGC exemption for e-sports operation; or (iv) the person-in-charge of an internet computer services centres (“ICSC”) in operation registered with the Office of the Licensing Authority under Home Affairs Department; (b) the application for such AGC licence was made on or before the publication of the relevant direction on 5 January 2022, or the application for such e-sports exemption or ICSC registration was made before the announcement of the fifth-round AEF on 11 January 2022; and (c) the AGC/ e-sports venue/ ICSC concerned is still in operation and the subject AGC licence (or such renewed licence)/ exemption from Cap. 435/ e-sports exemption application/ ICSC registration should remain valid at the time of submitting an application under this subsidy scheme.

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12.	Sports and Recreational Sites Subsidy Scheme	Operators of sports and recreational facilities (with a valid land lease, tenancy agreement or land licence) who have suspended their facilities on Government's sites with the introduction of requirements and restrictions imposed by the directions issued under the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F) with effect from 7 January 2022 will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$50,000 to each affected site.
13.	Places of Amusement Licence Holders Subsidy Scheme	<p>Holder of Places of Amusement Licence (includes billiard establishments, public bowling-alleys and public skating rinks) who meet the following conditions may receive a one-off subsidy of \$50,000:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the applicant holds a valid Places of Amusement Licence issued by the Director of Leisure and Cultural Services under the Places of Amusement Regulation (Cap. 132BA) ; AND (b) no application for transfer, voluntary surrender or cancellation of licence in respect of the licensed premises is under processing in the period from the date of submission of the application to the date of approval of the application; AND (c) the applicant holds the related valid licence in (a) above and the place of amusement is still in operation on the date of approval; AND (d) the applicant is not subject to any bankruptcy or winding up procedure/proceedings/order at the time of the application and thereafter up to the grant of subsidy.
14.	Mahjong/Tin Kau Licence Holder Subsidy Scheme	Mahjong/Tin Kau parlours have been ordered to close for a period from early January 2022 to mid-May 2022 as specified under the directions issued by the Secretary for Food and Health pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F). Holders of Mahjong / Tin Kau Licence (who is holding the same or such renewed licence at the time of subsidy application) that is valid for any period within the above specified period and whose application for the licence is submitted on or before the publication of the relevant direction on 5 January 2022 are eligible for a one-off subsidy of \$50,000.

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15.	Ex-gratia Payment to Part-time Instructors/ Staff/ Personnel Affected by Cancellation of Sports & Recreation and Culture Programmes Organised/ Subvented by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD)	<p>To tie in with the Government’s implementation of the social distancing measures, most of leisure and cultural venues have been ordered to close and all the programmes organised or subvented by LCSD have to be cancelled. With the cancellation of the planned programmes, part-time instructors/staff/personnel who have already been engaged by LCSD or National Sports Associations (NSAs) were seriously affected, the Government considered that there is a need to provide ex-gratia payment equivalent to the full salary of the concerned personnel for services that would be delivered for the cancelled sports & recreation and culture programmes to be held or commenced from 7 January 2022 to 3 February 2021 so as to relieve their difficulty under the pandemic. The following staff are entitled to receive the ex-gratia payment –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Part-time instructors/coaches/sports related personnel who are engaged by LCSD, or NSAs under the Sports Subvention Scheme, to conduct sports and recreational programmes from 7 January 2022 to 3 February 2022 that are cancelled due to the closure of sports venues; (b) Speakers and storytellers who are engaged by LCSD libraries to conduct programmes from 7 January 2022 to 3 February 2022 that are cancelled due to the closure of public libraries; and (c) Part-time ushers and part-time ticketing assistants engaged by LCSD to provide services to programmes from 7 January 2022 to 3 February 2022 that are cancelled due to the closure of performance venues.
16.	One-off grant to registered sports coaches	Sports coaches registered under National Sports Associations or recognized sports organizations who had provided coaching services from 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2021 can receive a one-off grant of \$5,000.
17.	Arts and Culture Sector Subsidy Scheme – Subsidy to individual arts practitioners and freelancers	To provide a one-off subsidy of \$5,000 to individual arts practitioners and freelancers who benefitted from the “Support Scheme for Arts and Cultural Sector” implemented by the Hong Kong Arts Development Council (HKADC) under the first-round AEF and practitioners in the Cantonese opera sector who benefitted from the “Cantonese Opera Sector Support Scheme” implemented by the Chinese Artists Association of Hong Kong (Barwo) also under the first-round of AEF. Separately, the HKADC also accepts new applications from individual arts

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		<p>practitioners and freelancers who are affected by the venue closure during the period from 7 January to 22 February 2022. Barwo also accepts the additional registration for applications from individual arts practitioners and freelancers whose job opportunities have been affected by the epidemic during the period 18 January 2020 to 18 January 2022.</p>
18.	<p>Arts and Culture Sector Subsidy Scheme –Subsidy to performing arts groups</p>	<p>Each of the arts groups which have been affected by the fifth wave of the COVID-19 epidemic (i.e. the major performing arts groups, arts groups funded by the HKADC, venue partners of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department and Arts Capacity Development Funding Scheme grantees) are be provided with a subsidy of \$40,000.</p>
19.	<p>Provision of Subsidy to Companies in the Performing Industry which Organise Pop Concerts</p>	<p>To provide an additional assistance in the form of a grant of \$50,000 to each of the eligible companies in the performing industry which organised pop concerts in any two years between 2017 and January 2022 in designated venues.</p>
20.	<p>Support for Child Care Centres (CCCs)</p>	<p>All CCCs, including aided and non-aided standalone CCCs and CCCs attached to kindergartens registered with Social Welfare Department (SWD) or Education Bureau (EDB) were eligible for the one-off special grant. The amount of grant is based on the number of enrolled children as at 3 January 2022, at a full-day rate of \$2,000 and a half-day rate of \$1,000 for each enrolled child or the approved monthly fee, whichever is the less.</p>
21.	<p>Scheme on Relief Grants for Interest Class Instructors Hired by Subvented Non-governmental Welfare Organisations</p>	<p>Interest class instructors engaged or planned to be engaged by any subvented welfare service units of the 170 organisations subvented by the Social Welfare Department but the class has been/ would likely be suspended during the period in the first quarter of 2022 (i.e. January to March 2022) under the prevailing epidemic situation and hence leading to income loss will be provided with a one-off relief grant of \$5,000.</p> <p>The applicants should not be beneficiaries of the measures listed in items 16 and 24 of this table.</p>

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22.	One-off Relief Grant for Private Schools Offering Non-formal Curriculum	All private schools offering non-formal curriculum and designated centres under the Financial Assistance Scheme for Designated Evening Adult Education Courses registered under the Education Ordinance (Cap. 279) that are in operation on 18 January 2022 are eligible for a one-off relief grant of \$20,000.																										
23.	One-off Grant to Kindergartens and Private Day Schools	<p>A one-off grant is provided to all kindergartens (KGs) and private primary and secondary day schools with the rate as follows:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="808 584 2029 1150"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="808 584 1715 624">Categories of KGs/schools</th> <th data-bbox="1715 584 2029 624">Rate</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="808 624 1715 663">(i) KGs</td> <td data-bbox="1715 624 2029 663"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="808 663 1715 703">Long whole day¹⁵:</td> <td data-bbox="1715 663 2029 703"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="808 703 1715 743">• 33 or less students</td> <td data-bbox="1715 703 2029 743"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="808 743 1715 783">• More than 33 students</td> <td data-bbox="1715 743 2029 783">\$60, 000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="808 783 1715 823">Kindergartens joining the kindergarten education scheme (Scheme-KGs) with whole day session:</td> <td data-bbox="1715 783 2029 823">\$80, 000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="808 823 1715 863">• 33 or less students</td> <td data-bbox="1715 823 2029 863"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="808 863 1715 903">• More than 33 students</td> <td data-bbox="1715 863 2029 903"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="808 903 1715 943">Scheme-KGs (half day) only</td> <td data-bbox="1715 903 2029 943">\$50, 000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="808 943 1715 983">Non-Scheme KGs</td> <td data-bbox="1715 943 2029 983">\$70, 000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="808 983 1715 1023"></td> <td data-bbox="1715 983 2029 1023">\$30, 000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="808 1023 1715 1062"></td> <td data-bbox="1715 1023 2029 1062">\$40,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="808 1062 1715 1102">(ii) Private primary and secondary day schools¹⁶</td> <td data-bbox="1715 1062 2029 1102">\$40,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Categories of KGs/schools	Rate	(i) KGs		Long whole day ¹⁵ :		• 33 or less students		• More than 33 students	\$60, 000	Kindergartens joining the kindergarten education scheme (Scheme-KGs) with whole day session:	\$80, 000	• 33 or less students		• More than 33 students		Scheme-KGs (half day) only	\$50, 000	Non-Scheme KGs	\$70, 000		\$30, 000		\$40,000	(ii) Private primary and secondary day schools¹⁶	\$40,000
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24.	One-off relief grant to providers of catering services, providers of interest group and school bus services for schools	<p><u>School instructors of learning/interest classes</u> An instructor engaged by a public sector, Direct Subsidy Scheme or private school offering a formal curriculum for the learning/ interest class(es) of an ongoing nature that is/are originally scheduled for the period of restrictions on face-to-face classes and on-campus school activities since the commencement of the 2021/22 school year, particularly the suspension of face-to-face classes at kindergarten and primary school levels starting from mid-January 2022 (including tutors of learning classes under the School-based After-school Learning and Support Programmes) and is serving the sector at the time of application will be provided with a one-off relief grant of \$5,000.</p> <p>Applicants cannot concurrently apply for subsidy from any other scheme under the current round of AEF.</p> <p><u>Catering Outlets</u> Each catering outlet (namely, tuck shops or canteens) at schools is eligible for a one-off relief grant of \$40,000, provided that the outlet has not applied for a relief grant under any other scheme in the current round of AEF.</p> <p><u>Lunch Box Suppliers</u> Lunch box suppliers of schools holding a food factory licence are eligible for a one-off relief grant of \$5,000 for each serving school.</p> <p><u>School Bus Service Providers</u> Eligible school bus drivers/ school private light bus drivers/ nannies must have provided transport/ escort service for school bus operator(s) on a non-franchised public bus/ school private light bus with a valid Passenger Service Licence for service endorsement(s) (A03) and/or (D01), and provide student transport/ escort service for a school bus operator to kindergartens, primary schools, secondary schools and special schools at any time from the commencement of the 2021/22 school year to the day on which this Scheme was formally announced (14 January</p>

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		<p>2022). The applicants are also required to still be providing transport / school bus escort service for school bus operators when they submit this application. In addition, eligible school bus drivers are required to hold a valid full driving licence for the relevant vehicle during the period of driving service.</p> <p>Each eligible driver will receive a one-off relief grant of \$6,700, and \$6,700 per vehicle will be provided for eligible nannies (the subsidy of \$6,700 will be shared among nannies based on their proportion of service time if more than one nanny serves at the same vehicle). Regarding cross-boundary school coach (CBSC) services, a subsidy of \$13,400 per CBSC will be provided for eligible nannies, and the maximum amount of subsidy for each nanny is \$6,700.</p> <p>Applicants cannot concurrently apply for subsidy from any other scheme under the current round of AEF.</p>

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25.	Tourism Industry Additional Support Scheme (Additional round of further assistance)	<p><u>Financial relief to licensed travel agents and their staff</u> Each eligible licensed travel agent will be provided with a one-off cash subsidy based on the number of staff members¹⁷ they have on 31 October 2020. The subsidy level for travel agents with 10 staff members or less will be at a flat rate of \$50,000 each; the subsidy level for travel agents with 11 staff members or more will be directly proportional to the number of staff members they have, using a subsidy level of \$5,000 per staff member as the basis of calculation. Each eligible travel agents' staff will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$7,500.</p> <p>Eligible travel agents are those holding on 14 February 2020 and continues to hold until the date on which the subsidy is disbursed, a valid travel agent licence issued under the Travel Agents Ordinance (Cap. 218). Eligible travel agents' staff are those employed by an eligible travel agent on 31 March 2020.</p> <p><u>Financial relief to freelance accredited tourist guides and tour escorts</u> Each eligible freelance tourist guides and tour escorts whose main occupations are/were tourist guides or tour escorts will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$7,500.</p> <p>Eligible freelance tourist guides and tour escorts are those who are accredited and whose main occupations are/were tourist guides and tour escorts and have received subsidy in the last round of the Tourism Industry Additional Support Scheme.</p> <p><u>Financial relief to tour service coach drivers</u> Each eligible tour service coach driver will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$3,350.</p> <p>Eligible tour service coach drivers are those tour service coach drivers (mainly serving tourists) who have received subsidy in the last round of the Tourism Industry Additional Support Scheme.</p>

¹⁷ Travel agents which have successfully applied for and received subsidy in the last round of the Tourism Industry Additional Support Scheme (the Scheme) need not submit application. The headcount to be used for calculating the special further subsidy will be the number approved in the last round of the Scheme. For travel agents which have not received subsidy in the last

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26.	Extension of the Green Lifestyle Local Tour Incentive Scheme (GLIS)	To inject \$300 million to extend the GLIS, which provides travel agents organising green lifestyle local tours with a cash incentive of \$200 for each participant of the tours they organise. The quota of tour participants for each travel agent to apply for cash incentives is 1 000. The enhanced Scheme, effective from 1 December 2022, provides a fresh quota of 1 000 to each licensed travel agent with an increase of subsidy level for receiving each eligible local tour participant to HK\$300.
27.	Additional Support for the Cross-boundary Passenger Transport Trade	<p><u>One-off non-accountable subsidy for cross-boundary coaches and cross-boundary hire cars</u></p> <p>To provide a one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$30,000 for each licensed cross-boundary coach¹⁸ (including port shuttle buses) (CBC) and cross-boundary hire car¹⁹ (CBHC). Eligibility criteria are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the registered owners who hold a valid vehicle licence of CBCs or valid hire car permit for CBHCs as at 14 January 2022; (b) the registered owners who did not hold a valid vehicle licence of CBCs, or a valid hire car permit for CBHCs as at 14 January 2022 are also eligible provided that the vehicle licence / hire car permit has successfully been renewed (by the same registered owners) on or before 13 January 2023; or (c) the owners who did not hold a valid vehicle licence of CBCs as at 14 January 2022, but had obtained the Approval-in-principle letter issued by the Transport Department on or before 14 January 2022 to replace a scrapped CBC with a non-franchised bus (NFB), are also eligible provided that the same owner has successfully obtained the valid vehicle licence and the “International Passenger Service (Cross Boundary Service)” endorsement issued by the Transport Department for the replacement NFB on or before 13 January 2023; and that the replacement CBC had not received the one-off subsidy to the cross-boundary passenger transport trade under the fifth-round AEF.

round of the Scheme, the headcount to be used for calculating the special further subsidy have to be vetted by the approving authority, and in any case not more than the number of staff members on 31 March 2020.

¹⁸ Only for the registered owners of non-franchised public bus holding “International Passenger Service (Cross Boundary Service)” Endorsement issued by the Transport Department.

¹⁹ Only for the registered owners of private car holding “Private Service (Limousine) (Cross Boundary Service)” hire car permit issued by the Transport Department.

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		<p><u>One-off non-accountable subsidy for cross-boundary ferries (CBF)</u> To provide a one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$500,000 to each eligible CBF vessel.</p> <p>CBF vessel which was provided with subsidy under the Anti-epidemic Fund announced in August 2021 and still held a valid Certificate of Registry/Certificate of Ship's Nationality as at 14 January 2022 would be eligible.</p>
28.	Additional subsidy for the aviation support services	<p>A one-off non-accountable three-tiered subsidy is provided to each of the eligible aviation support services operators operating with a franchise, a licence or an operating permit issued by the Airport Authority Hong Kong at the Hong Kong International Airport ("HKIA") whose business is adversely impacted by the drop in passenger traffic at HKIA during the pandemic. The subsidy level is based on the size of an operator's staff under the targeted groups.</p>

Table VI: Measures under sixth-round AEF

Item	Measure	Eligibility/Brief Description												
1.	Catering Business Subsidy Scheme	<p>Further financial relief will be provided to catering outlets carrying on a business to sell or supply food for consumption on their premises. Subsidy will be offered to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) eligible holders of any of the following premises-based food business licences in operation, including (i) general restaurant licence, (ii) light refreshment restaurant licence, (iii) marine restaurant licence, and (iv) factory canteen licence; and (b) cooked food/light refreshment stall tenants in Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) markets, as well as cooked food stall tenants holding a hawker licence and operating in public housing developments. <p>Each holder of the four types of relevant food licences (in (a)) which is in operation is eligible for a subsidy according to the approved floor area of its premises, as set out in the table below:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="931 823 2004 1072"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="931 823 1469 863">Floor area of licensed premises</th> <th data-bbox="1469 823 2004 863">Level of subsidy</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="931 863 1469 903">Not exceeding 100m²</td> <td data-bbox="1469 863 2004 903">\$100,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="931 903 1469 943">>100m² - 200m²</td> <td data-bbox="1469 903 2004 943">\$200,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="931 943 1469 983">>200m² - 400m²</td> <td data-bbox="1469 943 2004 983">\$300,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="931 983 1469 1023">>400m² - 700m²</td> <td data-bbox="1469 983 2004 1023">\$400,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="931 1023 1469 1072">>700m²</td> <td data-bbox="1469 1023 2004 1072">\$500,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An applicant is required to fulfil the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the applicant holds on or before 31 December 2021 a valid food business licence (full or provisional licence) of any one of the four targeted categories; and (b) the related food business licence is valid and the food business is in operation on the date of submission of the application and on the date of approval of the application; and (c) no application for transfer, voluntary surrender or cancellation of food business licence in respect of the licensed food premises is under processing in the period from the date of submission of the application to the date of approval of the application; and 	Floor area of licensed premises	Level of subsidy	Not exceeding 100m ²	\$100,000	>100m ² - 200m ²	\$200,000	>200m ² - 400m ²	\$300,000	>400m ² - 700m ²	\$400,000	>700m ²	\$500,000
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		<p>(d) the applicant holds the related valid licence in (a) above on the date of approval of the application (if the application for subsidy is submitted in respect of a provisional licence and the validity period of the provisional licence is less than one month on the date of submission of application, the related full licence has to be obtained either before the expiry of the provisional licence or close of application for the subsidy); and</p> <p>(e) the applicant is not subject to any bankruptcy or winding up procedure/ proceedings/ order at the time of the application and thereafter up to the grant of subsidy.</p> <p>2. As an exceptional arrangement, an applicant not holding a valid food business licence on 31 December 2021 may apply for the subsidy, provided that:</p> <p>(a) in the case where the application for transfer of licence of one of the four targeted categories was made on or before 31 December 2021:</p> <p>(i) the application was approved after 31 December 2021, and the applicant is the approved transferee;</p> <p>(ii) no subsidy has been granted by FEHD under this Subsidy Scheme to the original licence holder in respect of the licence transferred ; and</p> <p>(iii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items 1(b), 1(c), 1(d) and 1(e) above.</p> <p>(b) in the case of a provisional licence held by the applicant in respect of the same premises which has, irrespective of the expiry date, expired:</p> <p>(i) the applicant is successful in obtaining a full licence before close of application for the subsidy (i.e. 21 March 2022); and</p> <p>(ii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items 1(b), 1(c), 1(d) and 1(e) above.</p> <p>Each eligible catering outlets directed to close whole of its licensed premises, including karaoke establishments, night clubs and bars/pubs, is eligible for a further one-off subsidy of \$50,000.</p> <p>Cooked food/light refreshment stall tenants in FEHD markets, as well as cooked food stall tenants holding a hawker licence and operating in a public housing development, would each be eligible for a one-off subsidy of \$50,000.</p>

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		<p>1. To be eligible for the subsidy, a market tenant has to meet the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the tenancy agreement of the market stall entered into with the Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene is valid throughout the period from 7 January 2022 to the time of approval of the application; (b) the market stall has not suspended its operation due to improvement works to the relevant market throughout the period from 7 January 2022 to the time of approval of the application and has not been offered any rental waiver by FEHD in this regard; and (c) the applicant is not subject to any bankruptcy or winding up procedure/proceedings/order at the time of the application and up to the date of grant of subsidy. <p>2. To be eligible for the subsidy, a licensed hawker has to meet the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) is holder of a valid Fixed-Pitch (Cooked Food or Light Refreshment) Hawker Licence (“Hawker Licence”) issued by the Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene under the Hawker Regulation (Cap. 132AI) on or before 7 January 2022 and still holds a valid Hawker Licence at the time of approval of the application; (b) catering business at a cooked food hawker stall in a public housing development was operating on 7 January 2022 and is still operating at the time of approval of the application; and (c) is not subject to any bankruptcy or winding up procedure/proceedings/order at the time of the application and up to the grant of subsidy. <p><u>Food Court Subsidy Scheme</u></p> <p>A one-off subsidy will be provided to each eligible licence holder of food factory operating in a food court inside a shopping mall that satisfies the definition in item 1(b) below according to the approved floor area of the licensed premises as set out in the table below.</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) in the case where the application for transfer of the food factory licence was made on or before 31 December 2021 – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the application was approved after 31 December 2021, and the applicant is the approved transferee; and (ii) no subsidy has been granted by FEHD under this Subsidy Scheme to the original licence holder in respect of the licence transferred; and (iii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items 1(b), 1(c), 1(d), 1(e) and 1(f) above. (b) in the case of a provisional licence held by the applicant in respect of the same premises which has, irrespective of the expiry date, expired– <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the applicant is successful in obtaining a full licence before close of application for the subsidy (i.e. 21 March 2022); and (ii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items 1(b), 1(c), 1(d), 1(e) and 1(f) above.
2.	Commercial Bathhouse Licence Holders Subsidy Scheme	<p>Licence holder of a commercial bathhouse fulfilling the following criteria will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$100,000:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An applicant is required to fulfil the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the applicant holds a valid Commercial Bathhouse Licence issued by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) on 7 January 2022 and on the date of approval of the application; and (b) the commercial bathhouse business is in operation on the date of submission of the application and on the date of approval of the application; and (c) no application for transfer, voluntary surrender or cancellation of licence in respect of the licensed Commercial Bathhouse is under processing between the date of submission of the application and the date of approval of the application; and (d) the licensed premises have been closed for the entire period as specified in the direction issued under the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F); and (e) the applicant is not subject to any bankruptcy or winding up procedure/ proceedings/

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		<p>order at the time of the application and thereafter up to the grant of subsidy.</p> <p>2. As an exceptional arrangement, an applicant not holding a valid Commercial Bathhouse Licence on 7 January 2022 may apply for the subsidy, provided that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) an application for transfer of a licence was made on or before 6 January 2022, and the applicant is the approved transferee after 6 January 2022; and (b) no subsidy has been granted by FEHD under this Subsidy Scheme to the original licence holder in respect of the concerned licence; and (c) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items (1)(b), (1)(c), (1)(d) and (1)(e) above.
3.	Subsidy Scheme for Beauty Parlours, Massage Establishments and Party Rooms 2022	<p><u>Subsidy for beauty parlours and massage establishments</u></p> <p>Each eligible beauty parlour and massage establishment will receive a one-off subsidy depending on its number of workers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 to 2 workers: Subsidy of \$30,000 • 3 to 4 workers: Subsidy of \$60,000 • 5 or more workers: Subsidy of \$100,000 <p>The maximum amount of subsidy for a beauty parlour or massage establishment chain under the same business registration is \$3 million.</p> <p>Eligibility criteria for beauty parlours and massage establishments:</p> <p>1. The applicant provides one or more of the following services for non-medical purposes as its main business at its business premises:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Skin and facial care services; (b) Weight control and slimming services; (c) Nail treatment; (d) Tattooing and/or piercing; (e) Professional hair loss improvement; (f) Body massage and/or spa treatment;

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		<p>(g) Foot reflexology; and/or (h) Other beauty, care, prettifying and/or massage service on any part of the body. Clinics/ medical centres managed/ operated by medical practitioners/ medical personnel and premises providing consultation or medical services are not eligible for the subsidy under the Scheme;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. The applicant operates its business independently in a standalone venue at a fixed location in Hong Kong; 3. The premises and services of the applicant should have been in operation before 7 January 2022; 4. The premises of the applicant have suspended operations pursuant to the Government order from 7 January to 20 April 2022. An applicant whose premises have only suspended part of its operations/ services during the period when the closure order took effect, or whose premises have violated the closure order, will be considered ineligible under the Scheme; 5. Business(es) of the applicant is/ are not conducted in a residential unit of a public rental housing estate/ a Home Ownership Scheme/ any other subsidised housing scheme, or any other premises where commercial activities are not allowed; 6. The premises of the applicant do not form part of, and/or is not attached to, a premises operating business(es) of a different nature (e.g. catering establishments, hotels, guesthouses or clubhouses); 7. The premises of the applicant are not covered by other premises-based subsidy schemes under the AEF (e.g. catering premises, fitness centres, club-houses, sports premises, places of public entertainment, amusement game centres, places of amusement or commercial bathhouses); and 8. The applicant should be able to demonstrate that it is in business at site inspection by the Secretariat and/ or its authorised agent(s) during application vetting. <p><u>Subsidy for party rooms</u> Each eligible party room will receive a one-off subsidy of \$40,000.</p> <p>Eligibility criteria for party rooms:</p>

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		<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The applicant should be:<ol style="list-style-type: none">(a) Conducting a main business of commercial renting of physical indoor premises on a short-term basis, for exclusive use by a designated group of customers during a specified period of time for private events/gatherings of a leisure or recreational nature (which shall exclude those solely or mainly for gatherings for classes/ trainings/ music or dance practices, activities or performances/ religious activities/ consumption of food and beverages);(b) Prior booking for use of the premises is necessary and no walk-in customer is to be entertained for use of the premises; and(c) The business should have an online presence for marketing and/or reservation. Reservation can be made by members of the public through online common reservation platforms, social media accounts or through contact by email, instant messaging (such as WhatsApp or WeChat) or telephone;2. The applicant operates its business independently in a standalone venue at a fixed location in Hong Kong;3. The premises and services of the applicant should have been in operation before 7 January 2022;4. The premises of the applicant have suspended operations pursuant to the Government order from 7 January to 18 May 2022. An applicant whose premises have violated the closure order, or any Cap. 599-related disease prevention and control measures from 29 April 2021 to date will be considered ineligible under the Scheme;5. Business(es) of the applicant is/are not conducted in a residential unit of a public rental housing estate/ a Home Ownership Scheme/ any other subsidised housing scheme, or any other premises where commercial activities are not allowed;6. The premises of the applicant does not form part of, and/or is not attached to, a premises operating business(es) of a different nature (e.g. hotels, guesthouses, club-houses, catering premises/private kitchens, schools, offices, co-working spaces, training centres, studios, outdoor or indoor playgrounds, sports premises, places of public entertainment, amusement game centres or places of amusement);

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		<p>7. The premises of the applicant are not a carrier that can be used for transport (save for local pleasure vessels let for hire or reward which are subject to the closure order); and</p> <p>8. The premises of the applicant are not covered by other premises-based subsidy schemes under the AEF (e.g. catering premises, fitness centres, club-houses, sports premises, places of public entertainment, amusement game centres, places of amusement or commercial bathhouses);</p> <p>9. The applicant should be able to demonstrate that it is in business at site inspection by the Secretariat and/ or its authorised agent(s) during application vetting.</p> <p><u>Subsidy for local pleasure vessels let for hire or reward</u> Pleasure vessels let for hire or rewards that were granted the subsidy under the Subsidy Scheme for Beauty Parlours, Massage Establishments and Party Rooms 2022 under AEF 5.0, holding a valid certificate of survey or certificate of inspection and a valid operating licence endorsed to be let for hire or reward on 14 February 2022 and has continuously suspended operations pursuant to the Government order since 7 January 2022 would be eligible to receive the one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$40,000 for each vessel.</p>
4.	Subsidy Scheme for Hair Salons and Barber Shops	<p>Each eligible hair salon and barber shop will receive a one-off subsidy depending on its number of workers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 to 2 workers: Subsidy of \$15,000 • 3 to 4 workers: Subsidy of \$30,000 • 5 or more workers: Subsidy of \$50,000 <p>The maximum amount of subsidy for a hair salon and barber shop under the same business registration is \$1.5 million.</p> <p>Eligibility criteria for hair salons and barber shops:</p>

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		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The applicant operates a premises whose main business(es) is/are to provide services of shaving, trimming, cutting or washing or have other treatments done to the hair on a natural person's face or head; 2. The applicant operates its business independently in a standalone venue at a fixed location in Hong Kong; 3. The premises and services of the applicant should have been in operation prior to the date of the Government closure order (being 10 February 2022); 4. The premises of the applicant has suspended operations pursuant to the Government order from 10 February to 9 March 2022. If the concerned premises provides service(s) or conducts business(es) unrelated to the service(s)/ business(es) as stated under the aforesaid paragraph 1 at the time the Government closure order was in effect, it will be considered ineligible under this Scheme; 5. Business(es) of the applicant is not conducted in a residential unit of a public rental housing estate/ a Home Ownership Scheme/ any other subsidised housing scheme, or any other premises where commercial activities are not allowed; 6. The premises of the applicant does not form part of, or is not managed by the same operator of, a premises operating business(es) of a different nature (e.g. beauty parlours, massage establishments, hotels, guesthouses or clubhouses); 7. The premises of the applicant is not covered by other premises-based subsidy schemes under the AEF (e.g. beauty parlours, massage establishments, catering establishments, fitness centres, club-houses, sports premises, places of public entertainment, amusement game centres, places of amusement, commercial bathhouses or party rooms); and 8. The applicant should be able to demonstrate its business operations during site inspection by the Secretariat and/or its authorised agent(s) for application vetting.
5.	Cinemas Subsidy Scheme	To provide a one-off subsidy of \$100,000 per screen to each existing cinema holding a valid "Public Place of Entertainment" licence as of the date of application issued under the Places of Public Entertainment Ordinance (Cap. 172) and its subsidiary legislation with commercial operation in December 2021. The maximum amount of subsidy is capped at \$3 million per circuit.

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6.	One-off Ex-gratia Payment for the Successful Commercial Stall Operators of Hong Kong Flower Show (HKFS) 2022	To provide a one-off ex-gratia payment of \$5,000 to 33 affected commercial stall operators of HKFS 2022.						
7.	Sports Premises Subsidy Scheme	Operators of sports premises providing sporting activities (whether on land or not) which have suspended operation with the introduction of requirements and restrictions imposed by the directions issued under Cap. 599F with effect from 7 January 2022 is eligible for a one-off subsidy of \$100,000.						
8.	Fitness Centre Subsidy Scheme	<p>A one-off subsidy will be granted to each eligible fitness centre according to its area as set out below-</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="869 788 1751 911"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="869 788 1357 831">Area of premises</th> <th data-bbox="1357 788 1751 831">Level of subsidy</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="869 831 1357 874">500 m² or below</td> <td data-bbox="1357 831 1751 874">\$100,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="869 874 1357 911">over 500 m²</td> <td data-bbox="1357 874 1751 911">\$200,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Eligibility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) possessed a fixed address and individually-operated premises in Hong Kong where its principal and substantive business is to provide exercise machines or equipment on the premises for use, or to provide advice and instruction on, training for or assistance in improving physical fitness, including bodybuilding, dancing, yoga, pilates, body stretching and martial arts; (b) have commenced business before 7 January 2022 and have closed pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F); and (c) the business is still in operation at the time of application. <p>Fitness centres which are ineligible for the scheme include those:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) located in residential clubhouses or private clubs, 	Area of premises	Level of subsidy	500 m ² or below	\$100,000	over 500 m ²	\$200,000
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		<p>(b) facilities operated by holders of private recreational leases, or (c) that have received grant from other subsidy schemes under this round of AEF.</p>
9.	Club-house Subsidy Scheme	<p>Existing holders of Certificates of Compliance (CoC) issued under the Clubs (Safety of Premises) Ordinance (Cap. 376) with validity falling within the period since 7 January 2022, when the relevant directions issued pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F) are in effect are eligible for a subsidy of \$100,000.</p> <p>An additional subsidy of \$50,000 will be provided to holders of CoC who also operate karaoke establishments, nightclubs or bars/pubs in their club-house premises.</p>
10.	Places of Public Entertainment Licence Holder Subsidy Scheme	<p>Places of public entertainment have been ordered to close for a period from early January 2022 to mid-April 2022 as specified under the directions issued by the Secretary for Food and Health pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F). Holders of PPEL (except those covered by the Cinemas Subsidy Scheme) who is holding the same or such renewed licence at the time of subsidy application or temporary PPEL (“TPPEL”) that is valid for any period within the above specified period and whose application for the licence is submitted on or before the publication of the relevant direction on 5 January 2022 are eligible under this scheme. A one-off subsidy of \$100,000 and \$20,000 respectively will be provided to each of the eligible PPEL and TPPEL holders.</p>
11.	Amusement Game Centres Subsidy Scheme	<p>Amusement game centres (“AGCs”) under the definition stipulated in the Amusement Game Centres Ordinance (Cap. 435) have been ordered to close for a period from early January 2022 to mid-April 2022 as specified under the directions issued by the Secretary for Food and Health pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F). Operators meeting the following criteria are eligible for the scheme to receive a one-off subsidy of \$100,000:</p>

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		<p>(a) be either one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) a holder of an AGC licence that is valid for any period within the above specified period; (ii) the person-in-charge of an e-sports venue which has been exempted from Cap. 435 for any period within the above specified period; (iii) the applicant for an AGC exemption for e-sports operation; or (iv) the person-in-charge of an internet computer services centres (“ICSC”) in operation registered with the Office of the Licensing Authority under Home Affairs Department; <p>(b) the application for such AGC licence was made on or before the publication of the relevant direction on 5 January 2022, or the application for such e-sports exemption or ICSC registration was made before the announcement of the sixth-round AEF on 27 January 2022; and</p> <p>(c) the AGC/ e-sports venue/ ICSC concerned is still in operation and the subject AGC licence (or such renewed licence)/ exemption from Cap. 435/ e-sports exemption application/ ICSC registration should remain valid at the time of submitting an application under this subsidy scheme.</p>
12.	Sports and Recreational Sites Subsidy Scheme	Operators of sports and recreational facilities (with a valid land lease, tenancy agreement or land licence) who have suspended their facilities on Government’s sites with the introduction of requirements and restrictions imposed by the directions issued under the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F) with effect from 7 January 2022 will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$100,000 to each affected site.
13.	Places of Amusement Licence Holders Subsidy Scheme	<p>Holder of Places of Amusement Licence (includes billiard establishments, public bowling-alleys and public skating rinks) who meet the following conditions may receive a one-off subsidy of \$100,000:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the applicant holds a valid Places of Amusement Licence issued by the Director of Leisure and Cultural Services under the Places of Amusement Regulation (Cap. 132BA) ; and

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		<p>(b) no application for transfer, voluntary surrender or cancellation of licence in respect of the licensed premises is under processing in the period from the date of submission of the application to the date of approval of the application; and</p> <p>(c) the applicant holds the related valid licence in (a) above and the place of amusement is still in operation on the date of approval; and</p> <p>(d) the applicant is not subject to any bankruptcy or winding up procedure/proceedings/order at the time of the application and thereafter up to the grant of subsidy.</p>
14.	Mahjong/ Tin Kau Licence Holder Subsidy Scheme	<p>Mahjong/Tin Kau parlours have been ordered to close for a period from early January 2022 to mid-May 2022 as specified under the directions issued by the Secretary for Food and Health pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F). Holders of Mahjong / Tin Kau Licence (who is holding the same or such renewed licence at the time of subsidy application) that is valid for any period within the above specified period and whose application for the licence is submitted on or before the publication of the relevant direction on 5 January 2022 are eligible for a one-off subsidy of \$100,000.</p>
15.	Arts and Culture Sector Subsidy Scheme (Subsidy to performing arts groups)	<p>Each of the eligible arts groups which have been affected by the fifth wave of the COVID-19 epidemic (i.e. major performing arts groups, grantees of the Hong Kong Arts Development Council, venue partners under Leisure and Cultural Services Department and grantees of the Arts Capacity Development Funding Scheme) are be provided with a subsidy of \$80,000.</p>
16.	Provision of Subsidy to Companies in the Performing Industry which Organise Pop Concerts	<p>To provide an additional assistance in the form of a grant of \$100,000 to each of the eligible companies in the performing industry which organised pop concerts in any two years between 2017 and 20 April 2022 in designated venues.</p>
17.	Support for Child Care Centres	<p>All CCCs, including aided and non-aided standalone CCCs and CCCs attached to kindergartens registered with Social Welfare Department (SWD) or Education Bureau (EDB) were eligible for the one-off special grant. The amount of grant is based on the number of enrolled children as</p>

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18.	One-off Grant for Private Schools Offering Non-formal Curriculum (generally referred to as “Tutorial Schools”)	All private schools offering non-formal curriculum and designated centres under the Financial Assistance Scheme for Designated Evening Adult Education Courses registered under the Education Ordinance (Cap. 279) that are in operation on 17 February 2022 are eligible for a one-off relief grant of \$40,000 each.																								
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20.	One-off Relief Grant to Providers of Catering Services for Schools as well as Post-secondary Education Institutions	<p><u>Catering Outlets</u> Each catering outlet (namely, tuck shops, canteens or restaurants) at primary schools, secondary schools, University Grants Committee-funded universities, the Vocational Training Council, and self-financing post-secondary education institutions is eligible for a one-off relief grant of \$80,000, provided that the outlet has not applied for a relief grant under any other scheme under this round of AEF.</p> <p><u>Lunch Box Suppliers</u> Each lunch box suppliers for primary and secondary schools holding a food factory licence are eligible for a one-off relief grant of \$10,000 for each serving school.</p>
21.	Tourism Industry Additional Support Scheme (financial assistance to travel agents and hotels, and resources to Hong Kong Tourism Board to operate a “spend-to-redeem” programme for cruise-to-nowhere itineraries)	<p><u>Financial relief to licensed travel agents</u> Each eligible licensed travel agent will be provided with a one-off cash subsidy based on the number of staff members²² they have: the subsidy level of travel agents with 10 staff members or less will be at a flat rate of \$50,000 each; the subsidy level for travel agents with 11 staff members or more will be directly proportional to the number of staff members they have, using a subsidy level of \$5,000 per staff member as the basis of calculation.</p> <p>Eligible travel agents are those holding on 8 February 2022 and continues to hold until the date on which the subsidy is disbursed, a valid travel agent licence issued under the Travel Agents Ordinance (Cap. 218).</p> <p><u>Financial relief to licensed hotels</u> Each eligible hotel holding on 8 February 2022 a valid hotel licence issued under the Hotel and Guesthouse Accommodation Ordinance (Cap. 349) and continuing to hold a valid licence when the subsidy is disbursed will be provided with a subsidy of \$300,000 or \$400,000 (depending on</p>

²² Travel agents which have successfully applied for and received subsidy in the last round of the Tourism Industry Additional Support Scheme (the Scheme) need not submit application. The headcount to be used for calculating this round of subsidy will be the number approved in the last round of the Scheme. For travel agents which have never applied for subsidy or have not applied in the last round, application is required. The headcount used for calculating this new round of subsidy would be determined by the approving authority based on the information submitted by the applicant and the number of “eligible travel agent’s staff” it employed.

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		<p>the number of its licensed guestrooms). This subsidy arrangement does not cover hotels which were used en bloc as quarantine facilities on 8 February 2022 with rent fully paid by the Government.</p> <p><u>“Spend-to-redeem” programme for cruise-to-nowhere itineraries</u> To launch the “Spend-to-redeem” programme for cruise-to-nowhere (CTN) itineraries through the Hong Kong Tourism Board (HKTB), under which a local passenger may enjoy a \$500 discount when booking his or her CTN itinerary with spending of at least \$800 in physical retail or dining outlets during a specified period. The programme is expected to benefit around 40 000 local CTN passengers, cruise lines as well as travel agents selling relevant packages.</p>
22.	Licensed Guesthouses Subsidy Scheme	Existing holders of a valid guesthouse licence issued under the Hotel and Guesthouse Accommodation Ordinance (Cap. 349) with validity falling within the period since 7 January 2022, when the relevant directions issued pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F) are in effect are eligible for a subsidy of \$50,000 (1 to 5 licensed guestrooms) or \$80,000 (6 or more licensed guestrooms).
23.	Subsidy to Non-profit-making Organisations Running Projects under the Revitalising Historic Buildings Through Partnership Scheme, PMQ and the Fly the Flyover Operation	To provide non-profit-making organisations running projects under the Revitalising Historic Buildings Through Partnership Scheme, PMQ and the Fly the Flyover Operation with a direct subsidy of \$1 million each, totaling \$12 million, with a view to helping them meet the cash flow for their continued operation.
24.	Support for the Creative Industries (Rental support to tenants of PMQ)	To provide financial assistance of \$14 million to PMQ to reduce 75% of rental payable by all PMQ tenants from April to September 2022.

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25.	Arts and Culture Sector Subsidy Scheme (Rental support for tenants of Arts Spaces and Jockey Club Creative Arts Centre)	To provide rental concession at 75% for tenants of Jockey Club Creative Arts Centre and arts spaces run by the Hong Kong Arts Development Council from 1 April to 30 September 2022.
26.	Rental Support for Tenants at the Hong Kong Science Park, InnoParks and Cyberport	The 75% rental concession covering all start-ups, incubatees, co-working space users, office tenants, partner companies, professional services companies and merchant outlets at the Hong Kong Science Park, InnoCentre, InnoParks and Cyberport commenced on 1 April until 30 September 2022. The rental concession is capped at 5 000 square feet.
27.	Fuel and One-off Non-accountable Subsidy to Local Passenger Transport Sector	<p><u>Fuel Subsidy</u></p> <p>(a) To reimburse 40% of the actual fuel/electricity cost between 1 February 2022 and 30 September 2022 for the five franchised bus companies, 11 franchised and licensed ferry operators and Hong Kong Tramways Limited.</p> <p>(b) To offer a \$2.0 discount per litre of liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) for LPG taxis and public light buses (PLBs) between 1 May and 31 December 2022.</p> <p>(c) To reimburse 40% of the actual fuel costs for diesel/petrol refilling for petrol taxis and diesel PLBs between 1 May and 31 December 2022.</p> <p><u>One-off Subsidy for various transport trades</u></p> <p>(a) To provide a one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$30,000 for each vehicle/vessel of the five franchised bus companies, 11 franchised and licensed ferry operators and Hong Kong Tramways Limited.</p> <p>(b) To provide a one-off non-accountable subsidy of HK\$30,000 per green minibus (GMB) to the Passenger Service Licence (PSL) holders who have been approved to operate relevant packages of the GMB routes as at 15 February 2022.</p> <p>(c) To provide a one-off non-accountable subsidy of HK\$30,000 per taxi or red minibus (RMB). Eligibility criteria are as follows:</p> <p>(i) the registered owners who hold a valid vehicle licence of taxi or RMB as at 15 February 2022; or</p>

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		<p>(ii) the registered owners concerned who did not hold a vehicle licence of taxi or RMB as at 15 February 2022 are also eligible provided that the vehicle licence has successfully been renewed (by the same registered owners) on or before 14 February 2023.</p> <p>(d) To provide a one-off non-accountable subsidy of HK\$20,000 for each vessel deployed in kaito services. The applicant must hold a valid ferry service licence issued by the Transport Department and vessel operating licence issued by the Marine Department as at 15 February 2022 in respect of the vessels concerned.</p> <p>(e) To provide a one-off non-accountable subsidy of HK\$30,000 for each licensed local non-franchised public bus (NFB), school private light bus (SPLB) and local hire car. Eligibility criteria are as follows:</p> <p>(i) the registered owners who hold a valid vehicle licence of local NFBs or SPLBs, or a valid hire car permit for local hire cars as at 15 February 2022;</p> <p>(ii) the registered owners who did not hold a valid vehicle licence of the local NFBs or SPLBs, or a valid hire car permit for local hire cars as at 15 February 2022 are also eligible provided that the vehicle licence / hire car permit has successfully been renewed (by the same registered owners) on or before 14 February 2023; or</p> <p>(iii) the owners who did not hold a valid vehicle licence of local NFBs or SPLBs, or a valid hire car permit for local hire cars as at 15 February 2022, but had obtained the Approval-in-principle Letter issued by the Transport Department on or before 15 February 2022 to replace a scrapped local NFB or SPLB with a NFB or SPLB; or had obtained the Approval-in-principle Letter for replacement of a local hire car, are also eligible provided that the same owner has successfully obtained the valid vehicle licence and service endorsement, or hire car permit issued by the Transport Department for the replacement vehicle on or before 14 February 2023.</p> <p>A NFB issued with both local and cross boundary service endorsements by the Transport Department can only receive the subsidy once.</p>

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28.	Additional Support for the Cross-boundary Passenger Transport Trade	<p>One-off non-accountable subsidy for cross-boundary coaches and cross-boundary hire cars</p> <p>To provide a one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$30,000 for each licensed cross-boundary coach ²³ (including port shuttle buses) (CBC) and cross-boundary hire car ²⁴ (CBHC). Eligibility criteria are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the registered owners who hold a valid vehicle licence of CBCs or valid hire car permit for CBHCs as at 15 February 2022; (b) the registered owners who did not hold a valid vehicle licence of CBCs, or a valid hire car permit for CBHCs as at 15 February 2022 are also eligible provided that the vehicle licence / hire car permit has successfully been renewed (by the same registered owners) on or before 14 February 2023; or (c) the owners who did not hold a valid vehicle licence of CBCs as at 15 February 2022, but had obtained the Approval-in-principle letter issued by the Transport Department on or before 15 February 2022 to replace a scrapped CBC with a non-franchised bus (NFB), are also eligible provided that the same owner has successfully obtained the valid vehicle licence and the “International Passenger Service (Cross Boundary Service)” endorsement issued by the Transport Department for the replacement NFB on or before 14 February 2023; and that the replacement CBC had not received the one-off subsidy to the cross-boundary passenger transport trade under the sixth-round AEF. <p>The registered owner of a NFB issued with both local and cross-boundary service endorsements by the Transport Department can only receive the subsidy once.</p> <p><u>One-off non-accountable subsidy for cross-boundary ferries (CBF)</u></p> <p>To provide a one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$500,000 to each eligible CBF vessel.</p>

²³ Only for the registered owner of the non-franchised public bus holding “International Passenger Service (Cross Boundary Service)” Endorsement issued by the Transport Department.

²⁴ Only for the registered owner of the private car holding “Private Service (Limousine) (Cross Boundary Service)” hire car permit issued by the Transport Department.

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		<p>CBF vessel which was provided with subsidy under the Anti-epidemic Fund announced in January 2022 and still held a valid Certificate of Registry/Certificate of Ship's Nationality as at 15 February 2022 would be eligible.</p>								
29.	<p>Support to Shipyards Providing Repair Services to Cross-boundary Ferries</p>	<p>To provide a one-off subsidy to each eligible shipyard providing repair services to cross-boundary ferries and in operation, according to the site area of the shipyard lot as set out in the table below.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="884 576 2054 783"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="884 576 1451 655">Site Area of Shipyard Lot (as specified on land lease)</th> <th data-bbox="1451 576 2054 655">Level of Subsidy</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="884 655 1451 695">Not exceeding 5 000 m²</td> <td data-bbox="1451 655 2054 695">\$200,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="884 695 1451 735">> 5 000 m² - 10 000 m²</td> <td data-bbox="1451 695 2054 735">\$400,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="884 735 1451 783">> 10 000 m²</td> <td data-bbox="1451 735 2054 783">\$600,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Site Area of Shipyard Lot (as specified on land lease)	Level of Subsidy	Not exceeding 5 000 m ²	\$200,000	> 5 000 m ² - 10 000 m ²	\$400,000	> 10 000 m ²	\$600,000
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30.	<p>Subsidies for Fresh Food Wholesalers</p>	<p>(a) Each eligible live marine fish wholesale trader will be provided with a subsidy of \$100,000. The applicant must (i) hold a valid license agreement in the wholesale fish market under the Fish Marketing Organization (FMO) to operate in wholesale of live marine fish; and (ii) regularly operated live marine fish wholesale business in the wholesale fish market of FMO during the period of 16 November 2021 to 15 February 2022.</p> <p>(b) Each eligible fresh marine fish wholesale trader will be provided with a subsidy of \$20,000. The applicant must (i) have been operating fresh marine fish wholesale at a usual location in the wholesale fish market of FMO; and (ii) regularly operated fresh marine fish wholesale business in the wholesale fish market of FMO during the period of 16 November 2021 to 15 February 2022.</p> <p>(c) Each eligible fresh food wholesaler will be provided with a subsidy of \$20,000. The applicant must have to be conducting active fresh food wholesale business between 16 November 2021 and 15 February 2022 in a physical wholesale market under Agricultural, Fisheries and Conservation Department, Vegetable Marketing Organization,</p>								

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		<p>or in privately operated fresh food wholesale markets (Yau Ma Tei Fruit Market/ Yuen Long Freshwater Fish Wholesale Market/ Yuen Long Temporary Wholesale Vegetable Market). The maximum amount of subsidy for an individual wholesale trader (in their personal capacity or as business entity) operating multiple stores under the same business registration is \$100,000 (equivalent to no more than 5 stores).</p>
31.	Subsidies for Local Primary Producers	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Owners of fishing vessels and fish collector vessels with Mainland deckhands will be provided with a subsidy of \$20,000, eligibility criteria as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) has been engaging in fishing or fish collecting operation as of 15 February 2022; (b) has been holding a valid 《漁業捕撈許可證》 or 《捕撈輔助船許可證》 issued by relevant Mainland authorities for the concerned vessel as of 15 February 2022; (c) has been holding a valid Certificate of Ownership and Operating Licence of a Class III vessel issued by the Marine Department for the concerned vessel as of 15 February 2022; and (d) employed Mainland deckhand(s) to work on board the concerned vessel during the period between 16 February 2021 and 15 February 2022. 2. Owners of fishing vessels and fish collector vessels without hiring Mainland deckhands will be provided with a subsidy of \$10,000, eligibility criteria as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the vessel engages in fishing operation and possesses a valid Certificate of Registration issued by Agricultural, Fisheries and Conservation Department (AFCD) under the Fisheries Protection Ordinance (Cap. 171) (for local fishing vessels), or engages in fish collecting operation (for local fish collector vessels) as of 15 February 2022; and (b) the vessel possesses a valid Certificate of Ownership and Operating Licence of a Class III vessel issued by the Marine Department. 3. Owners of vegetable farms, hydroponic farms, flower farms and nurseries will be provided with a subsidy of \$10,000, eligibility criteria as follows:

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		<p>(a) must be engaged in crop production from 16 November 2021 to 15 February 2022. If the applicant is engaged in open field cultivation, the production area should not be less than 0.5 <i>dau chung</i> (around 337 sq. meter or 3 630 sq. feet).</p> <p>4. Operators of marine fish farms will be provided with a subsidy of \$10,000, eligibility criteria as follows:</p> <p>(a) must hold a valid marine fish culture licence issued by the Director of Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation under the Marine Fish Culture Ordinance (Cap. 353) on 15 February 2022 and be engaged in marine fish culture.</p> <p>5. Operators of pond fish farms will be provided with a subsidy of \$10,000, eligibility criteria as follows:</p> <p>(a) has registered under the Voluntary Registration Scheme for Local Pond Fish Farms (“VRS”) of AFCD (according to the information on the Registration Scheme updated by the Department as at 15 February 2022); and</p> <p>(b) the pond fish farm is used for food fish culture.</p> <p>If the operators of farms which have not been registered under the VRS wish to apply for the subsidy, they have to submit documentary proof on engaging in food fish culture covering the period from 16 November 2021 to 15 February 2022, and other relevant documents as required.</p>
32.	Dishware Washing Trade Subsidy Scheme	<p>Dishware washing operator in operation fulfilling the following criteria will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$80,000 or \$150,000 according to its average monthly water consumption:</p> <p>(a) hold a valid Business Registration Certificate issued under Business Registration Ordinance (Cap. 310) in respect of the premises under application or documentation for organisations exempted from tax under section 88 of the Inland Revenue Ordinance (Cap. 112); and</p> <p>(b) commercial automated dishwashing machine(s) has/have been installed on the dishware washing premises on or before 31 December 2021; and</p> <p>(c) carry on a dishware washing business and provide dishware washing services to at least two</p>

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		<p>food business customers; and</p> <p>(d) provide at least one water bill issued by the Water Supplies Department in the last 6 months;</p> <p>(e) the dishware washing business is in operation on the date of submission of the application and on the date of approval of the application; and</p> <p>(f) has not received any subsidy of the Catering Business Subsidy Scheme, the Relief Grants for Providers of Catering Services for Schools and Post-secondary Education Institutions and Providers of Interest Group and School Bus Services for Schools or the Club-house Subsidy Scheme under the sixth-round AEF; and</p> <p>(g) the applicant is not subject to any bankruptcy or winding up procedure/proceedings/order at the time of the application and thereafter up to the grant of subsidy.</p>
33.	Anti-epidemic Subsidy Scheme for the Laundry Trade	<p>Laundry shops and workshops with valid business registration certificates for operating laundry and dry cleaning services or related collection and dispatch services at outlet shops, with services in operation on or before 8 February 2022, and still in operation on the date of submitting applications for the Scheme will receive a one-off subsidy ranging from \$10,000 to \$150,000, depending on their scale of operation.</p>
34.	Subsidy Scheme for Employment Agencies	<p>Under the Scheme, a one-off lump sum subsidy is granted to Employment Agencies (EAs) with a valid licence issued by the Labour Department (LD). A subsidy of \$50,000 is granted for each main licence of EAs that provide foreign domestic helper (FDH) placement service. For EAs that do not provide FDH placement service, a subsidy of \$30,000 is granted for each main licence. An additional subsidy of \$10,000 is granted for each duplicate licence for a branch office of both kinds of EAs.</p> <p>An EA eligible for applying for a subsidy under the Scheme must:</p> <p>(a) have held a valid licence issued by the LD under section 52 of the Employment Ordinance (Cap. 57) as at 31 January 2022. If the validity period of the current licence of the EA is less than two months on the date of subsidy application, the EA must have submitted an application for licence renewal to the LD in accordance with Regulation 2 of the Employment Agency Regulations (EAR) (Cap. 57A); or</p>

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		<p>(b) have submitted an application for the issue of a new licence in accordance with Regulation 2 of EAR as at 31 December 2021, and the application was still under processing as at 31 January 2022.</p> <p>If an EA has applied to the LD for issue of a new licence or renewal of licence according to the above, the subsidy will only be disbursed after the licence application is approved.</p>
35.	Support Cleansing and Security Staff Engaged by Government, Hong Kong Housing Authority and Hong Kong Housing Society Service Contractors in Anti-epidemic Efforts	To provide eligible frontline cleansing workers, toilet attendants and security workers employed by service contractors of the Government, Hong Kong Housing Authority and Hong Kong Housing Society a monthly allowance of \$2,000 for five months (February to June 2022) through the contractors.
36.	Anti-epidemic Support Scheme for Environmental Hygiene and Security Staff in Property Management Sector	Frontline property management (PM) workers performing duties relating to environmental hygiene or security in private residential, composite (i.e. commercial cum residential), industrial and commercial (including shopping malls) building blocks, including similar types of frontline PM workers employed by premises within these building; frontline PM workers of service contractors/subcontractors (including part-time/leave relief workers); and frontline PM workers serving “three-nil” buildings are eligible for a monthly allowance of \$2,000 for five months (February to June 2022). Each eligible building block is subject to a cap of 200 headcounts (of which, 100 quotas are for frontline cleansing and security staff engaged by premises within each eligible building block, as well as part-time/leave relief frontline cleansing/security workers of service contractors/subcontractors).
37.	Support for Airport Staff in Targeted Groups	To provide monthly allowance of \$2,000 per person per month to airport staff in targeted groups for a period of five months from February to June 2022.

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38.	Special Allowance for Staff of Residential Care Homes for the Elderly (RCHEs) and Residential Care Homes for Persons with Disabilities (RCHDs)	<p>For staff employed by RCHEs/RCHDs (including day service units attached to the RCHs) who attends duty and provide services to residents in the relevant month for not less than 14 days from February to June 2022, the Government will provide eligible staff member with a special allowance of \$2,000 per person per month for a period of five months through the RCHEs/RCHDs.</p> <p>If any staff of the RCHs is unable to perform duty or provide services at RCH as affected by the epidemic (e.g. contracted COVID-19 or under compulsory quarantine/isolation order, etc.), or arranged to work from home, the above-mentioned period will also be counted toward the number of working days. Eligible staff members will be granted the special allowance if the total number of working days is not less than 14 days.</p>
39.	One-off Grant to Registered Sports Coaches	Sports coaches registered under National Sports Associations or recognized sports organizations who had provided coaching services from 1 January 2021 to 28 February 2022 can receive a one-off grant of \$10,000.
40.	Ex-gratia Payment to Part-time Instructors/ Staff/ Personnel Affected by Cancellation of Sports & Recreation and Culture Programmes Organised by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD)	<p>To tie in with the Government’s implementation of the social distancing measures, most of leisure and cultural venues have been ordered to close and all the programmes organised or subvented by LCSD have to be cancelled. With the cancellation of the planned programmes, part-time instructors/staff/personnel who have already been engaged by LCSD or National Sports Associations (NSAs) were seriously affected, the Government considered that there is a need to provide ex-gratia payment equivalent to the full salary of the concerned personnel for services that would be delivered for the cancelled sports & recreation and culture programmes to be held or commenced from 4 to 28 February 2022 so as to relieve their difficulty under the pandemic. The following staff are entitled to receive the ex-gratia payment –</p> <p>(a) Part-time instructors/coaches/sports related personnel who are engaged by LCSD or NSAs under the Sports Subvention Scheme to conduct sports and recreational programmes from 4 to 28 February 2022 that are cancelled due to the closure of sports venues;</p>

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		<p>(b) Speakers and storytellers who are engaged by LCSD libraries to conduct programmes from 4 to 28 February 2022 that are cancelled due to the closure of public libraries; and</p> <p>(c) Part-time ushers and part-time ticketing assistants engaged by LCSD to provide services to programmes from 4 to 28 February 2022 that are cancelled due to the closure of performance venues.</p>
41.	Scheme on Relief Grants for Interest Class Instructors Hired by Subvented Non-governmental Welfare Organisations	<p>Interest class instructors who are beneficiaries of the similar scheme of the Social Welfare Department (SWD) under the fifth-round AEF (i.e. the measure of item 21 listed in Table V above), have lost further income as a result of the continued suspension of service under the persistent epidemic situation, and engaged or planned to be engaged by SWD-subvented welfare service units of the 170 organisations subvented by SWD during the period in the second quarter of 2022 (i.e. April to June 2022) with service having been/likely to be suspended during the period and hence leading to income loss will be provided with a one-off relief grant of \$10,000.</p> <p>The applicants should not be beneficiaries of the measures listed in items 39 and 42 above of this table.</p>
42.	One-off Relief Grant to Providers of Interest Classes and School Bus Services for Schools	<p><u>School instructors of learning/interest classes</u></p> <p>An instructor who is engaged by a public sector, Direct Subsidy Scheme or private primary or secondary school providing a formal curriculum for the learning/ interest class(es) of an ongoing nature that is/are originally scheduled for during the period of the suspension of face-to-face classes/ conducting of half-day schooling and cessation/ restriction of on-campus school activities in the 2021/22 school year (including tutors of learning classes under the School-based After-school Learning and Support Programmes) and is serving the sector at the time of application will be provided with a one-off relief grant of \$10,000.</p> <p>Applicants cannot concurrently apply for subsidy from any other schemes under the current round of AEF.</p>

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		<p><u>School Bus Service Providers</u> Eligible school bus drivers/ school private light bus drivers/ nannies must have provided transport/ escort service for school bus operator(s) on a non-franchised public bus/ school private light bus with a valid Passenger Service Licence for service endorsement(s) (A03) and/or (D01), and provide student transport/ escort service for a school bus operator to kindergartens, primary schools, secondary schools and special schools at any time from the commencement of the 2021/22 school year to the day the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council approved the funding application for injection into the AEF (i.e.15 February 2022). The applicants are also required to still be providing transport / school bus escort service for school bus operators when they submit this application. In addition, eligible school bus drivers are required to hold a valid full driving licence for the relevant vehicle during the period of driving service.</p> <p>Each eligible driver will receive a one-off relief grant of \$10,000, and \$10,000 per vehicle will be provided for eligible nannies (the subsidy of \$10,000 will be shared among nannies based on their proportion of service time if more than one nanny serves at the same vehicle). Regarding cross-boundary school coach (CBSC) services, a subsidy of \$20,000 per CBSC will be provided for eligible nannies, and the maximum amount of subsidy for each nanny is \$10,000.</p>
43.	Arts and Culture Sector Subsidy Scheme (Subsidy to individual arts practitioners and freelancers)	<p>To provide a one-off subsidy of \$10,000 to individual arts practitioners and freelancers who benefitted from the “Support Scheme for Arts and Cultural Sector” implemented by the Hong Kong Arts Development Council (HKADC) under the previous rounds AEF and practitioners in the Cantonese opera sector who benefitted from the “Cantonese Opera Sector Support Scheme” implemented by the Chinese Artists Association of Hong Kong (Barwo) also under the first-round of AEF. Separately, the HKADC also accepts new applications from individual arts practitioners and freelancers who are affected by the venue closure from 23 February 2022. Barwo also accepts the additional registration for applications from individual arts practitioners and freelancers whose job opportunities are affected by the epidemic during the period from 18 January 2020 to 18 January 2022.</p>

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44.	Support for the creative industries (Financial assistance to licensed pyrotechnics and special effects operators and self-employed/freelance film practitioners)	<p><u>Financial assistance to licensed pyrotechnics and special effects operators</u> To provide a one-off subsidy of \$10,000 to each eligible special effects operator (SEO) and assistant (SEA) holding at least one valid licence between February 2021 and January 2022 issued under the Entertainment Special Effects Ordinance (Cap. 560) and its subsidiary legislation, and who have not benefited from any other sector-specific subsidy schemes under the AEF since January 2022. For practitioners who are holding different types of SEO/SEA licences, they would only be eligible to receive a maximum subsidy amount of \$10,000.</p> <p><u>Financial assistance to self-employed/freelance film practitioners</u> To provide a one-off subsidy of \$10,000 to each eligible self-employed/freelance film practitioners who have participated in the production of at least one Hong Kong film from April 2020 to March 2022. Full-time staff employed by film companies, full-time students and those who have benefitted from any other subsidy schemes under the sixth round of AEF are not eligible for the Scheme.</p>
45.	Tourism Industry Additional Support Scheme (Financial assistance to travel agents' staff, freelance accredited practitioners whose main occupations are/were tourist guides or tour escorts, and tour service coach drivers)	<p><u>Financial relief to travel agents staff</u> Each eligible travel agents' staff will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$7,500. Eligible travel agents' staff include (a) staff employed by an eligible travel agent of the scheme²⁵; and (b) staff of travel agents who received subsidy in the second or subsequent round(s) of subsidy scheme for supporting the tourism industry under AEF, including those whose employer travel agent had closed down on or before 8 February 2022.</p> <p><u>Financial relief to freelance accredited tourist guides and tour escorts</u> Each eligible freelance tourist guides and tour escorts whose main occupations are/were tourist guides or tour escorts will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$7,500.</p>

²⁵ For staff of a travel agent which was licensed after 14 February 2020 and still holds a valid licence when this round of subsidy is disbursed, and staff employed by an eligible travel agent after 31 March 2020, he/she must be the employee of an eligible travel agent on 8 February 2022, and the relevant staff's MPF account must be set up by the employer travel agent in accordance with the requirements of the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance, and with continuous mandatory contribution made for two months, on or before 8 February 2022. Staff employed by an eligible travel agent licensed on or after 8 December 2021 will be dealt with separately.

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		<p>Eligible freelance tourist guides and tour escorts are those who are accredited and whose main occupations are/were tourist guides and tour escorts and have received subsidy in the last round of the Tourism Industry Additional Support Scheme.</p> <p><u>Financial relief to tour service coach drivers</u> Each eligible tour service coach driver will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$5,000.</p> <p>Eligible tour service coach drivers are those tour service coach drivers (mainly serving tourists) who have received subsidy in the last round of the Tourism Industry Additional Support Scheme.</p>
46.	Support for Hong Kong Cross-boundary Goods Vehicle (XBGV) Drivers	<p>A one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$10,000 would be disbursed to each eligible Hong Kong XBGV driver.</p> <p>Eligible drivers are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the registered Hong Kong XBGV drivers possessing an Approval Notice (AN) issued by the Guangdong Provincial Public Security Department and a Closed Road Permit (CRP) issued by the Cross Boundary Unit of the Transport Department as at 15 February 2022; or (b) those used to possess an AN and a CRP during the period between 15 November 2021 and 14 February 2022, and they once again obtained an AN and a CRP as aforementioned during the period between 16 February and 15 March 2022.
47.	Temporary Unemployment Relief	<p>To provide assistance for people who have lost their jobs due to the fifth wave of the epidemic and to reduce their financial stress before they find another job, with the following target beneficiaries –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) persons who were rendered unemployed since the fifth wave of the epidemic starting in late December 2021 and have been continuously unemployed for no less than 30 days at the time of application; and (b) persons who have been requested not to work temporarily by the employers as the premises in which they work have been restricted under social distancing measures and have been

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		<p>continuously out-of-work for not less than 30 days at the time of application. Such premises include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • scheduled premises regulated under the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F) that have suspended operation for the time being; and • catering premises whose operations have either been suspended or restricted. <p>Full-time and part-time employees as well as self-employed persons may apply. A one-off subsidy of \$10,000 will be granted to each eligible person.</p>
48.	Job Creation	<p>\$6.6 billion has been earmarked under AEF for the further creation of 30 000 time-limited jobs for people of different skill sets and academic qualifications.</p> <p>The 30 000 time-limited jobs to be created under the Job Creation Scheme will include jobs in the public and the private sectors, with particular focus on those industries the development of which has been hard hit by the COVID-19 pandemic.</p>

Table VII. Measures approved by the AEF Steering Committee

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1.	Application of Anti-virus Coating for Residential Care Homes for the Elderly and Residential Care Homes for Persons with Disabilities	The Social Welfare Department (SWD) issued letters on 4 May 2020 to invite all subvented, contract, self-financing and private Residential Care Homes for the Elderly (RCHEs) and Residential Care Homes for Persons with Disabilities (RCHDs) with a valid licence as at 30 April 2020 to apply for the subsidy. In view of the latest development of COVID-19, SWD issued invitation letters again on 24 July 2020 to invite new RCHEs / RCHDs licensed during the period from 1 May to 23 July 2020 and eligible homes which did not file any application during the first round to apply for the subsidy. RCHEs and RCHDs may procure the anti-virus coating spray service on their own for one-off or multiple applications of coating to provide disinfection protection for an aggregate of no less than 180 days. The spray of anti-virus coating is required to start by 31 August and complete by 30 November 2020. The application was closed on 3 August 2020.
2.	Enhancing Support for Testing Service on COVID-19	The Department of Health (DH) will collaborate with the medical schools of The University of Hong Kong and The Chinese University of Hong Kong, where the two medical schools will be equipped with testing equipment and relevant personnel to provide public testing service on COVID-19 for 12 months. The Public Health Laboratory Services Branch of DH will also set up new testing equipment to gradually enhance its overall testing capacity. Up to 2 400 additional tests are carried out per day in the public sector.
3.	Training Subsidies for Employers of Engineering Graduates	The Vocational Training Council has been providing training subsidies to employers who employ engineering graduates. The employers shall provide vocational training as approved by the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers under Scheme “A” Graduate Training in order to receive a monthly subsidy of \$5,610 for up to 18 months per graduate. As a one-off measure for 2020-21, the Government has increased the subsidised training places from the regular annual number of around 270 to a maximum of 1 000.

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4.	Anti-epidemic Subsidy Scheme for the Laundry Trade	<p>Laundry shop or workshop with valid business registration certificates for operating laundry and dry cleaning services or related collection and dispatch services at outlet shops, with services in operation on or before 12 May 2020, and still in operation on the date of submitting applications for the Scheme will receive a one-off subsidy ranging from \$10,000 to \$150,000, depending on its size of operation.</p> <p>To take care of the livelihood of aged employees in the laundry trade, the Government requires an undertaking from the applicants of the Scheme not to reduce the total number of employees aged 65 or above for three months upon receipt of the subsidies. Otherwise, the Government may claw back any subsidy already disbursed.</p>
5.	Subsidy Scheme for Employment Agencies	<p>Under the Scheme, a one-off lump sum subsidy is granted to EAs with a valid licence issued by the Labour Department (“LD”). A subsidy of \$50,000 is granted for each main licence of EAs which provide foreign domestic helper (“FDH”) placement service. For EAs which do not provide FDH placement service, a subsidy of \$30,000 is granted for each main licence. An additional subsidy of \$10,000 is granted for each duplicate licence for branch office of both kinds of EAs.</p> <p>An employment agency (“EA”) eligible for applying for subsidy under the Scheme must hold a valid licence (main licence and duplicate licence(s), if any) issued by the LD under section 52 of the Employment Ordinance (Cap. 57) as at 31 May 2020, or must have submitted an application for licence renewal to LD in accordance with Regulation 2 of the Employment Agency Regulations (Cap. 57A) as at 31 May 2020.</p> <p>If the validity period of the current licence of the EA is less than two months as at the date of submission of an application for subsidy, the EA should first submit an application for licence renewal to LD before submitting an application for subsidy. The EA must hold a valid EA licence before the application is approved.</p>
6.	100% Credit Limit Top-Up Scheme	Under the Scheme, the Hong Kong Export Credit Insurance Corporation would automatically

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		<p>double the credit limits of existing policyholders or uplift the limits to the amount applied for, whichever is the smaller, subject to a cap of \$100 million. New credit limit applications will also be topped up in a similar manner. The Scheme runs from 8 June 2020 to 30 June 2023.</p>
7.	Subsidy to vehicle maintenance workshop	<p>Eligible vehicle maintenance workshops (“VMWs”) can submit applications for the one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$50,000 regardless of their registration status under the Voluntary Registration Scheme for Vehicle Maintenance Workshops of the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (“EMSD”).</p> <p>VMWs applying for the subsidy must fulfil the following major criteria including having operated a vehicle maintenance business in a fixed place (with vehicle working bay(s)) on or before 1 February 2020, and maintaining a business operation on the day of application. Applicants will have to provide records of operation during the period from 1 February 2020 to 31 May 2020, e.g. information about the employed vehicle mechanics, vehicle maintenance service records, electricity bills or water bills of VMWs, etc. VMWs that have received subsidy from the Retail Sector Subsidy Scheme under the first-round AEF will not be subsidised under the current subsidy scheme.</p>
8.	One-off Subsidy Scheme for the Dishware Washing Trade	<p>Dishware washing operator in operation fulfilling the following criteria will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$80,000 or \$150,000 according to its average monthly water consumption:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) hold a valid Business Registration Certificate issued under Business Registration Ordinance (Cap. 310) in respect of the premises under application or documentation for organisations exempted from tax under section 88 of the Inland Revenue Ordinance (Cap. 112); (b) commercial automated dishwashing machine(s) has/have been installed on the dishware washing premises on or before 31 March 2020; (c) carry on a dishware washing business and provide dishware washing services to at least two food business customers; (d) provide at least one water bill issued by the Water Supplies Department in the second half of 2019; (e) the dishware washing business is in operation on the date of submission of the application

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		<p>and on the date of approval of the application; and</p> <p>(f) has not received any subsidy under the Food Licence Holders Subsidy Scheme, the Relief Grants for Providers of Catering Services for Schools and Post-secondary Education Institutions and Providers of Interest Group and School Bus Services for Schools, the Retail Sector Subsidy Scheme or the Club-house Subsidy Scheme.</p>
9.	Special Subsidy to Chinese Gold and Silver Exchange (CGSE) members and practitioners registered with CGSE	CGSE members with a valid trading licence as at 1 July 2020 and still have trading status as a CGSE member at the time of application will receive a subsidy of \$20,000 per member. Both active and qualification retained Executive Managers, Dealers and Account Executives who are registered with CGSE as at 1 July 2020 will receive a cash subsidy of \$1,200 per person.
10.	Further subsidy to cooked food tenants operating in public housing developments with hawker licences	<p>A one-off subsidy of \$45,000 will be provided to cooked food stall tenants operating in public housing developments. To be eligible for the subsidy, a person has to meet the following criteria:</p> <p>(a) operating on 31 March 2020 and at the time of approval of the application a catering business at a cooked food stall in a public housing development; and</p> <p>(b) holding on 31 March 2020 and at the time of approval of the application a valid Fixed-Pitch (Cooked Food / Light Refreshment) Hawker Licence issued by the Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene.</p>
11.	Installation of Gas Water Heaters at non-Quarantine units of Chun Yeung Estate	Installation of gas water heaters to the 1 625 non-quarantine unit flats in Chun Yeung Estate as a one-off special arrangement.
12.	Procurement of Private COVID-19 Testing Services	The Government's current virus testing strategy is to continue and expand compulsory testing on a mandatory basis, targeted testing on an obligatory basis and testing on a voluntary basis so as to achieve the objective of "early identification, early isolation and early treatment". As such, specified persons of high risk are required to undergo compulsory testing on a mandatory basis, targeted groups are arranged to undergo testing on an obligatory basis, and the Government also encourages members of the public to undergo voluntary testing to achieve voluntary testing on a large scale.

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		<p>Regarding compulsory testing on a mandatory basis, the Government has implemented the Prevention and Control of Disease (Compulsory Testing for Certain Persons) Regulation (Cap. 599J) since 15 November 2020 to effectuate compulsory testing on a mandatory basis.</p> <p>For targeted testing on an obligatory basis, the Government also arranges testing for targeted groups based on risk assessment. Testing is currently arranged on a continuous basis for targeted groups including staff of catering business / scheduled premises, construction site personnel, working staff of quarantine centres/hotels, designated quarantine hotels / facilities and relevant designated transport staff, airport staff, designated staff of container terminals and shipping services, designated cold store practitioners, practitioners working at Sheung Shui Slaughterhouse, school staff, and working staff of community testing centres and mobile specimen collection stations.</p> <p>Staff of high-risk and high-exposure groups had been required to undergo more frequent regular virus testing as a way to counter the latest development of the COVID-19 epidemic and mutant strains, and also as a more stringent anti-epidemic measure to complement the “dynamic zero-COVID” strategy.</p> <p>On voluntary testing, the Government continues to provide convenient testing service to individuals who perceive themselves as having a higher risk of exposure or experience mild discomfort through various channels, including free testing for the public through 169 specimen collection packs distribution points (namely designated general outpatient clinics of the Hospital Authority, 120 post offices, and vending machines at 20 MTR stations) and 58 collection points. The above three channels have distributed around 11 000 specimen collection packs per day in April 2022, while the 19 community testing centres and mobile specimen collection stations are now able to conduct a total of around 60 000 nucleic acid tests on average per day. To encourage the elderly to undergo frequent COVID-19 testing for effective and early identification of infected persons, the Government has extended the free COVID-19 nucleic acid test service to elderly people aged 60 or above.</p>

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13.	Funding for Provision of about 2 000 Quarantine Units at Penny’s Bay	Construction of 2 000 units (under Phase 3A, 3B and 4) was completed in November/December 2020 at Penny’s Bay to ensure that adequate quarantine capacity is available to sustain our public health regime.
14.	Relocation and expansion of test and hold facilities of Department of Health	To strengthen the prevention of importation of COVID-19 and ramp up the capacity of the “test and hold” facilities for inbound travellers arriving in Hong Kong by air, the Temporary Specimen Collection Centre (TSCC) has been relocated from AsiaWorld Expo to the Midfield Concourse of the Hong Kong International Airport. Before the introduction of rapid Polymerase Chain Reaction test at TSCC in December 2020, a holding hotel with higher capacity had been engaged as Holding Centre for Test Result for holding arriving travellers who need to wait overnight for their COVID-19 test result.
15.	Universal Community Testing Programme	To provide all Hong Kong residents without symptoms a one-off COVID-19 test for free from 1 to 14 September 2020 to identify as early as possible asymptomatic COVID-19 patients in the community and achieve the target of early identification, early isolation and early treatment to cut the community transmission chain.
16.	Pyrotechnics and Special Effects Operators Subsidy Scheme	To provide a one-off subsidy of \$7,500 to each eligible special effects operator (SEO) and assistant (SEA) holding at least one valid licence within 2020 (between January 1 and September 30) issued under the Entertainment Special Effects Ordinance (Cap. 560) and its subsidiary legislation, and who have not benefited from the Employment Support Scheme or any other sector-specific subsidy schemes under the AEF. Same practitioners holding different types of SEO/SEA licences should only be eligible to receive a maximum subsidy amount of \$7,500.
17.	Tourism Industry Additional Support Scheme	<u>Financial relief to licensed travel agents and their staff</u> Each eligible licensed travel agent will be provided with a one-off cash subsidy based on the number of staff members ²⁶ they have on 31 October 2020. The subsidy level for travel agents

²⁶ For travel agents which have successfully applied for subsidy under the Travel Agents and Practitioners Support Scheme under the second-round AEF or the Tourism Industry Support Scheme under the third-round AEF, the headcount to be used for calculating the cash subsidy under the Scheme cannot exceed that already approved under second-/third-round AEF. For travel

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		<p>with 10 staff members or less will be at a flat rate of \$100,000 each; the subsidy level for travel agents with 11 staff members or more will be directly proportional to the number of staff members they have, using a subsidy level of \$10,000 per staff member as the basis of calculation. Each eligible travel agents' staff will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$15,000.</p> <p>Eligible travel agents are those holding on 14 February 2020 and continues to hold until the date on which the subsidy is disbursed, a valid travel agent licence issued under the Travel Agents Ordinance (Cap. 218). Eligible travel agents' staff are those employed by an eligible travel agent on 31 March 2020.</p> <p><u>Financial relief to freelance accredited tourist guides and tour escorts</u> Each eligible freelance tourist guides and tour escorts whose main occupations are tourist guides or tour escorts will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$15,000.</p> <p>Eligible freelance tourist guides and tour escorts are those freelance accredited tourist guides and tour escorts whose main occupations are tourist guides and tour escorts and have received subsidy from the Tourism Industry Support Scheme under the third-round AEF.</p> <p><u>Financial relief to tour service coach drivers</u> Each eligible tour service coach driver will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$6,700.</p> <p>Eligible tour service coach drivers are those tour service coach drivers (mainly serving tourists) who have received subsidy from the Tourism Industry Support Scheme under the third-round AEF.</p>
18.	Designated Quarantine Hotel Scheme	The Designated Quarantine Hotel Scheme, which has been fully implemented on 22 December 2020, mandates that all returnees who have stayed in places outside Mainland China and Macau

agents which have not applied for subsidy under the Travel Agents and Practitioners Support Scheme under the second-round AEF or the Tourism Industry Support Scheme under the third-round AEF, the headcount to be used for calculating the cash subsidy under the Scheme cannot exceed the number of staff members on 31 March 2020 vetted by the approving authority.

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		<p>to undergo the compulsory quarantine at designated quarantine hotels, with a view to further reducing their contact with the local community.</p> <p>The Government will guarantee a 50% occupancy for designated quarantine hotels and will provide a subsidy if it falls short. The hotels need to put in place stringent measures to restrict members of the public from accessing to the hotel premises other than areas that have been properly segregated, and disallow visitation to quarantine guests etc., with a view to minimising the risk of infection in the community.</p> <p>Since the implementation of the Scheme, the Government has been deploying dedicated staff to inspect the designated quarantine hotels to ensure the Government's requirements are complied with.</p>
19.	Greater Bay Area Youth Employment Scheme	<p>The Scheme provides 2 000 places, of which about 700 are innovation and technology posts, for graduates who have obtained their bachelor's degrees or above in 2019 to 2021. Participating enterprises are required to employ the graduates in Hong Kong at a monthly salary of not less than HK\$18,000 and station them in the Mainland cities of the Greater Bay Area to work there.</p> <p>To encourage enterprises to join the Scheme and compensate them for the additional expenses on employing and training the graduates, participating enterprises will be reimbursed a monthly allowance of HK\$10,000 by the Government for each qualified graduate employed for a maximum period of 18 months.</p>
20.	Financial Assistance to the Printing and Publishing Sector	<p>To provide a one-off financial assistance of \$15,000 to each eligible local exhibitor which have registered to participate in the July and/or December editions of the Book Fair 2020 to help them explore the diversification of sales channels in addition to the Book Fair.</p>
21.	Club-house Subsidy Scheme	<p>Existing holders of Certificates of Compliance (CoC) issued under the Clubs (Safety of Premises) Ordinance (Cap. 376) with validity falling within the period since 26 November 2020, when the relevant directions issued pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease</p>

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		<p>(Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F) are in effect is eligible for a subsidy of \$100,000.</p> <p>An additional subsidy of \$50,000 will be provided to holders of CoC who also operate karaoke establishments, nightclubs or bars/pubs in their club-house premise</p>
22.	Mahjong/Tin Kau Licence Holder Subsidy Scheme	<p>Mahjong/Tin Kau parlours have been ordered to close for a prolonged period as specified under the directions issued by the Secretary for Food and Health pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F). Holders of Mahjong/Tin Kau Licence (who is holding the same or such renewed licence at the time of subsidy application) that is valid for any period within the closure period from 18 February 2021 (i.e. the date of reopening of other scheduled premises) to 28 April 2021, and whose application for the licence is submitted on or before the publication of the first direction for closure of Mahjong/Tin Kau parlours on 30 November 2020 are eligible for a one-off subsidy of \$100,000.</p>
23.	Further Subsidy for Party Rooms and Pleasure Vessels	<p>The further subsidy is intended for party rooms and local pleasure vessels let for hire or reward (Pleasure Vessels) holding a valid Certificate of Survey or Certificate of Inspection and a valid operating licence on 29 April 2021 that have been granted a subsidy under the Subsidy Scheme for Beauty Parlours, Massage Establishments and Party Rooms under the fourth-round AEF, and have continuously suspended operations from 22 November 2020 to 28 April 2021 pursuant to the closure order under Cap. 599F. Each eligible premises or vessel will be given a one-off subsidy of \$40,000. Applicants with change in business details (e.g. premises that have been relocated or changed hands and new businesses established after 22 November 2020) are ineligible for the further subsidy.</p>
24.	Further Subsidy to Commercial Bathhouses	<p>Further financial relief will be provided to commercial bathhouses closed from 26 November 2020 to 28 April 2021. Licence holder of a commercial bathhouse fulfilling the following criteria will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$100,000:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="792 1433 2134 1465">1. An applicant is required to fulfil the following criteria:

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the applicant holds a valid Commercial Bathhouse Licence issued by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) on 26 November 2020 and on the date of approval of the application; (b) the commercial bathhouse business is in operation on the date of submission of the application and on the date of approval of the application; (c) no application for transfer, voluntary surrender or cancellation of licence in respect of the commercial bathhouse is under processing between the date of submission of the application and the date of approval of the application; (d) the commercial bathhouse has closed for the entire period as specified in the direction issued under the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F); and (e) the applicant is not subject to any bankruptcy or winding up procedure/proceedings/order at the time of the application and thereafter up to the grant of subsidy. <p>2. As an exceptional arrangement, an applicant not holding a valid Commercial Bathhouse Licence on 26 November 2020 may apply for the subsidy, provided that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) an application for transfer of a licence was made on or before 26 November 2020, and the applicant is the approved transferee after 26 November 2020; (b) no subsidy has been granted by FEHD under this Subsidy Scheme to the original licence holder in respect of the concerned licence; and (c) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items 1(b), 1(c), 1(d) and 1(e) above.
25.	Catering Business Subsidy Scheme (applicable to liquor licensed premises (with Bar Endorsement), karaoke establishments and nightclubs with restaurant licence)	A one-off single subsidy will be provided to eligible licence/permit holders of the premises in operation including Liquor Licensed Premises (with Bar Endorsement), Karaoke Establishments (KE), Nightclubs with Restaurant Licence according to the approved floor area of the licensed/permitted premises, as set out in the table below.

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²⁷ The same premises where the bars/pubs, nightclubs and/or KEs operate concurrently

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		<p>(c) for an application involving more than one licence/permit in the premises, the applicant is nominated by all licence/permit holders to apply for and receive the subsidy; AND</p> <p>(d) the related licence/permit (Liquor Licensed Premises (with Bar Endorsement), KE, Nightclub with Restaurant Licence including general restaurant/light refreshment restaurant/marine restaurant) is in operation on the date of submission of the application and on the date of approval of the application; AND</p> <p>(e) no application for transfer, voluntary surrender or cancellation of licence/permit, as the case may be, in respect of the licensed premises is under processing in the period from the date of submission to the date of approval of the application; AND</p> <p>(f) on the date of approval of the application, the applicant is still holding a valid licence/permit (Liquor Licensed Premises (with Bar Endorsement), KE, Nightclub with Restaurant Licence including general restaurant/light refreshment restaurant/marine restaurant), as the case may be; AND</p> <p>(g) the applicant is not subject to any bankruptcy or winding up procedure/proceedings/order at the time of the application and thereafter up to the grant of subsidy.</p> <p>2. As an exceptional arrangement, an applicant not holding a valid restaurant licence/liquor licence (with bar endorsement) on 26 November 2020, or a valid KE permit on 2 December 2020, may apply for the subsidy, provided that:</p> <p>(a) In case of transfer of licence/permit–</p> <p>(i) The application for transfer was made on or before 25 November 2020 or 1 December 2020, as the case may be; AND</p> <p>(ii) The application was approved after 25 November 2020 or 1 December 2020, as the case may be, and the applicant is the approved transferee; AND</p> <p>(iii) no subsidy has been granted by the FEHD under the Subsidy Scheme to the original licence/permit holder in respect of the licence/permit transferred; AND</p> <p>(iv) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items 1(b), 1(c), 1(d), 1(e), 1(f) and 1(g) above.</p> <p>(b) in the case of a provisional licence/permit held by the applicant in respect of the same premises which has, irrespective of the expiry date, expired –</p>

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		<p>(i) the applicant is successful in obtaining a full licence/permit before close of application for the subsidy (i.e. 27 May 2021); AND</p> <p>(ii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items 1(b), 1(c), 1(d), 1(e), 1(f) and 1(g) above.</p> <p>An applicant may submit only one application form in respect of the same licensed premises, rather than multiple subsidies in respect of the bar/pubs, nightclubs and/or KE business operated on the same premises.</p>
26.	Territory-wide Sewage Surveillance for COVID-19	<p>The Government has allocated \$372.7 million from the AEF in two phases (from April 2021 to March 2022 and from September 2022 to December 2022 which was extended to March 2024) to the Department of Health, Environmental Protection Department and Drainage Services Department for implementing the Territory-wide Sewage Surveillance for COVID-19 Virus Programme. The main purpose of the Programme is to provide early warning on outbreak of COVID-19; monitor the epidemic situations in districts with confirmed cases and their surrounding buildings, and tracking the epidemic development in the community. Sewage from approximately 6 million population is being covered by the Programme for COVID-19 testing.</p>
27.	Tourism Industry Additional Support Scheme (Special Further Subsidies) and Additional Support for the Cross-boundary Passenger Trade	<p><u>Tourism Industry Additional Support Scheme (Special Further Subsidies)</u></p> <p><i>Financial relief to licensed travel agents and their staff</i></p> <p>Each eligible licensed travel agent will be provided with a one-off cash subsidy based on the number of staff members²⁸ they have on 31 October 2020. The subsidy level for travel agents with 10 staff members or less will be at a flat rate of \$50,000 each; the subsidy level for travel agents with 11 staff members or more will be directly proportional to the number of staff</p>

²⁸ Travel agents which have successfully applied for and received subsidy in the last round of the Tourism Industry Additional Support Scheme (the Scheme) need not submit application. The headcount to be used for calculating the special further subsidy will be the number approved in the last round of the Scheme. For travel agents which have not received subsidy in the last round of the Scheme, the headcount to be used for calculating the special further subsidy have to be vetted by the approving authority, and in any case not more than the number of staff members on 31 March 2020.

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		<p>members they have, using a subsidy level of \$5,000 per staff member as the basis of calculation. Each eligible travel agents' staff will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$7,500.</p> <p>Eligible travel agents are those holding on 14 February 2020 and continues to hold until the date on which the subsidy is disbursed, a valid travel agent licence issued under the Travel Agents Ordinance (Cap. 218). Eligible travel agents' staff are those employed by an eligible travel agent on 31 March 2020.</p> <p><i>Financial relief to freelance accredited tourist guides and tour escorts</i> Each eligible freelance tourist guides and tour escorts whose main occupations are tourist guides or tour escorts will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$7,500.</p> <p>Eligible freelance tourist guides and tour escorts are those who are accredited and whose main occupations are tourist guides and tour escorts and have received subsidy in the last round of the Tourism Industry Additional Support Scheme.</p> <p><i>Financial relief to tour service coach drivers</i> Each eligible tour service coach driver will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$3,350.</p> <p>Eligible tour service coach drivers are those tour service coach drivers (mainly serving tourists) who have received subsidy in the last round of the Tourism Industry Additional Support Scheme.</p> <p><u>Additional Support for the Cross-boundary Passenger Trade</u></p> <p><i>One-off non-accountable subsidy for cross-boundary coaches and cross-boundary hire cars</i> To provide a one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$30,000 for each licensed cross-boundary coach²⁹ (including port shuttle buses) ("CBC") and cross-boundary hire car³⁰ ("CBHC").</p>

²⁹ Only for the registered owner of the non-franchised public bus holding "International Passenger Service (Cross Boundary Service)" Endorsement issued by the Transport Department.

³⁰ Only for the registered owner of the private car holding "Private Service (Limousine) (Cross Boundary Service)" hire car permit issued by the Transport Department.

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		<p>Eligibility criteria are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the registered owners who hold a valid vehicle licence of CBCs or CBHCs as at 5 August 2021; (b) the registered owners who did not hold a valid vehicle licence of CBCs, or a valid hire car permit for CBHCs as at 5 August 2021 are also eligible provided that the vehicle licence / hire car permit has successfully been renewed (by the same registered owners) on or before 4 February 2023; or (c) the owners who did not hold a valid vehicle licence of CBCs as at 5 August 2021, but had obtained the Approval-in-principle letter issued by the Transport Department on or before 5 August 2021 to replace a scrapped CBC with a non-franchised bus (“NFB”), are also eligible provided that the same owner has successfully obtained the valid vehicle licence and the “International Passenger Service (Cross Boundary Service)” endorsement issued by the Transport Department for the replacement NFB on or before 4 February 2023; and that the replacement CBC had not received the one-off subsidy to the cross-boundary passenger transport trade under the Anti-epidemic Fund. <p><i>One-off non-accountable subsidy for cross-boundary ferries (“CBF”)</i> To provide a one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$500,000 to each eligible CBF vessel.</p> <p>CBF vessel which was provided with subsidy under the third round of Anti-epidemic Fund for the provision of cross-boundary ferry services at the China Ferry Terminal, the Tuen Mun Ferry Terminal or the Hong Kong-Macau Ferry Terminal during the period from 30 July 2019 to 3 February 2020 and still held a valid Certificate of Registry/Certificate of Ship’s Nationality as at 5 August 2021 would be eligible.</p>
28.	Designated Quarantine Facilities (DQFs) for Foreign Domestic Helpers (FDHs)	Rambler Garden Hotel and Courtyard by Marriott Hong Kong Sha Tin started to serve as DQFs since 1 November and 8 December 2021 respectively, providing a total of 1 000 rooms for quarantine of FDHs coming to work in Hong Kong.
29.	Providing special financial assistance to	To provide special financial assistance of not more than \$13.2 million to the Travel Industry

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	the Travel Industry Council of Hong Kong	Council of Hong Kong (“TIC”), for TIC to pay the necessary staff salary and other operating expenses in implementing its regulatory related functions before full transition to the Travel Industry Authority.
30.	Special Allowance for Staff of Residential Service Units Operated by Non-governmental Organisations	<p>For staff employed by residential service organisations/units who attends duty in the residential service units or provided services to residential service users in the relevant month for not less than 14 days from 1 February to 30 June 2022, the Government will provide a special allowance of \$2,000 per person per month for a period of five months through the residential service units.</p> <p>If any staff member of the residential service unit is unable to perform duty or provide services at the residential service unit as affected by the epidemic (e.g. contracted COVID-19 or under compulsory quarantine/isolation order, etc.), or arranged to work from home, the above-mentioned period will also be counted toward the number of working days. Eligible staff members will be granted the special allowance if the total number of working days of the relevant month is not less than 14 days.</p>
31.	One-off Relief Grant to Operators of Light Refreshment Kiosks, Fast Food Kiosks and Retail Outlets under the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD)	<p>To provide a one-off relief grant of \$30,000 per outlet to eligible business which are directed to suspend due to the venue closure under the LCSD on or after 7 January 2022, and a one-off relief grant of \$15,000 per outlet to other eligible business which are not directed to suspend but are nonetheless affected by the venue closure and social distancing measures implemented.</p> <p>Applicant of light refreshment kiosk, fast food kiosk and retail outlets should have a valid contract with the LCSD on the date of submission of the application, and should not have suspended business.</p>
32.	Support cleansing and security staff in the local public transport sector	<p>To provide a monthly allowance of \$2,000 to the following frontline workers for a period of five months (from April to August 2022)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cleansing and security workers engaged by individual public transport operators (including the franchised bus operators, MTR Corporation Limited, franchised and licensed ferry operators, Hong Kong Tramways Limited, green minibus operators and non-franchised bus

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		operators) and their service contractors. It is estimated that around 5 000 persons could benefit.
33.	Support for cleansing and security staff working at Hong Kong International Airport (HKIA)	To provide a monthly allowance of \$2,000 per person to cleansing and security workers working at HKIA for a period of five months from April to August 2022.
34.	Cleansing and Security Service Provider Subsidy Scheme for Post-secondary Education Institutions, Non-government Schools and Kindergartens	To provide special allowance to cleansing and security workers engaged (directly or through service contractors) by post-secondary education institutions (PSEIs) and registered non-government schools and kindergartens to give recognition to them for their contribution in combating the epidemic. Each eligible cleansing and security worker will receive \$2,000 per month for five months from February to June 2022.
35.	Support Cleansing and Security Staff Engaged by the Power Companies in Anti-epidemic Efforts	To provide a monthly allowance of \$2,000 for five months (from April to August 2022) to each eligible cleansing and security worker engaged by the two power companies.
36.	Support Cleansing and Security Workers Engaged by Welfare Service Units operated by Non-governmental Organisations through their Service Contractors	To provide a special allowance of \$2,000 per month to frontline cleansing and security workers who are employed by the service contractors and working in welfare service units operated by non-governmental organisations (NGOs)/service operators at any time within an eligible month from February to June 2022 for a period of five months through the NGO concerned.
37.	Special allowance to frontline cleansing staff who are drivers and assistants of drivers of waste/sewage collection vehicles	To provide eligible frontline drivers and assistants of drivers, who are employees of companies carrying out municipal solid waste and domestic sewage collection under continuous contract, with a one-off monthly allowance of \$2,000 for a period of five months from February to June 2022.

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38.	Support Cleansing and Security Workers Engaged by Non-government Works Contractors for working in construction sites in Anti-epidemic Efforts	To provide eligible frontline cleansing and security workers employed by non-government works contractors (as well as their sub-contractors) for working in construction sites a monthly allowance of \$2,000 for five months (February to June 2022) through the contractors.
39.	Ex-gratia allowance to Public Rental Housing (PRH) applicants who have accepted advance allocation of the two public housing estates designated as isolation facilities	A one-off ex-gratia allowance of \$8,000 per household was disbursed in March 2022. Eligible PRH applicants (on household basis) were those who had accepted advance allocation of flats in Block 1 of Queens Hill Estate & Heng King House of Lai King Estate.
40.	Designated transport services for carrying COVID-19 patients to designated clinics and community isolation facilities, and for transporting inbound travellers from the airport to designated quarantine hotels	<p>Since 18 February 2022, the Government together with the taxi trade have set up a designated taxi fleet mainly for transporting COVID-19 patients with mild symptoms who require diagnosis and treatment to and from Hospital Authority's designated clinics and their place of accommodation. A daily subsidy of \$3,500 is provided for each designated taxi.</p> <p>Since 21 February 2022, the Government together with the non-franchised bus and public light bus trades have set up a designated bus fleet for transporting COVID-19 patients to designated community isolation facilities. A daily subsidy of \$5,500 and \$4,500 were provided for each large bus and medium or light bus respectively.</p> <p>From 25 July to 25 September 2022, the Government together with the taxi trade set up the Government quarantine hotel taxi fleet to provide self-paid point-to-point transport service from the airport to designated quarantine hotels for the inbound travellers. A daily allowance of \$1,500 was provided for each taxi.</p>
41.	Funding for Provision of Isolation, Treatment and Related Facilities	To construct community isolation facilities, providing a total of about 16 000 units to support anti-epidemic work.

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42.	Support for Implementation of Cargo Transfer Proposal in Hong Kong in Maintaining a Stable Supply of Goods from the Mainland	To further stabilise the goods supply to Hong Kong through land transport, the Transport and Housing Bureau has been working with the Mainland authorities to follow up on the cargo transfer arrangements as a contingency measure in response to the latest epidemic situation in the city, so as to reduce the risk of epidemic transmission in both the Mainland and Hong Kong, ensuring both smooth cross-boundary land transport and a stable goods supply to Hong Kong.
43.	2022 Employment Support Scheme (2022 ESS)	<p>The 2022 ESS provides wage subsidies to employers for three months (i.e. May, June and July 2022) to retain their employees, and also employ more staff when the business revives as soon as the epidemic situation permits. Eligible self-employed persons can also apply for a one-off subsidy.</p> <p><u>Employers</u> Employers can apply in the capacity of a company/ corporation/ organisation/ natural person. All employers who have participated in Mandatory Provident Fund (MPF) Schemes or set up MPF-exempted Occupational Retirement Schemes (ORSO Schemes) on or before 31 December 2021 are eligible for the 2022 ESS, except those listed in Part I of the Exclusion List³¹. For employers who have applied for the first and/or second tranche of the 2020 Employment Support Scheme (2020 ESS), they should have fully settled all clawback/penalty (if any) on or before 10 May 2022.</p> <p>Employers whose applications have been successfully approved in the 2020 ESS should specify the records they intend to use by the government-appointed agent to calculate the “subsidised quota cap” and the “maximum subsidy amount”, i.e. their MPF/ORSO Schemes records of the 2020 ESS (2020 ESS records) or their MPF/ORSO Schemes records as at the fourth quarter of 2021 (2021 Q4 records). Other applicants should use their 2021 Q4 records as the calculation basis. Besides, a “sector-specific cap” of 100 eligible employees will apply on employers</p>

³¹ Including HKSAR Government, the Legislative Council of the HKSAR, the Judiciary of the HKSAR, offices of other governments and international organisations, specified statutory bodies and corporations, specified public organisations, government-owned companies or subvented organisations, etc.

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		<p>whose declared core business belong to sectors on the Restricted List³². Other employers will have a “sector-specific cap” of 1 000 eligible employees.</p> <p>Employers can apply for each subsidy month (i.e. May, June and July 2022) the number of employees in different categories (i.e. “Full subsidy headcount”, “Half subsidy headcount” and “Elderly subsidy headcount”) they intend to hire and receive subsidies for. The government-appointed agent will calculate the subsidy amount for each month (i.e. \$8,000 x “full subsidy headcount” plus \$4,000 x “half subsidy headcount” plus \$4,000 x “elderly subsidy headcount”).</p> <p>Employers should undertake to employ sufficient number of employees in fulfilling the specified criteria³³ in headcounts in each subsidy month, and reflect the respective employment situation in the records of the MPF Schemes/ORSO Schemes. Those who could not fully fulfil the undertaking in any month within the subsidy period will be required to return the relevant subsidy amount and also pay a penalty equivalent to 10% of the subsidy amount to be returned.</p> <p><u>Self-employed persons (SEPs)</u> SEPs who have successfully created an MPF “Self-employed person” account (MPF SEP account) on or before 31 December 2021, which has not been terminated at the time of application, will be eligible for a one-off subsidy of \$8,000.</p>

³² The Restricted List includes a total of 13 industries which are regarded as not/less affected by the fifth wave of the coronavirus disease 2019 epidemic. If an employer’s core business falls under the listed industries, the employer can only apply for wage subsidies for a maximum number of 100 eligible employees under the 2022 ESS.

³³ The criteria include:

- (1) the number of employees with a monthly wage of \$8,000 or above is no less than the chosen “full subsidy headcount”;
- (2) having fulfilled the headcount requirement in criteria (1), the number of remaining employees with a monthly wage of \$4,000 or above is no less than the chosen “half subsidy headcount”;
- (3) the number of employees aged 65 or above with a monthly wage of \$4,000 or above is no less than the chosen “elderly subsidy headcount”; and
- (4) the number of employees with a monthly wage of \$4,000 or above is no less than the “chosen subsidised headcount”.

Item	Measures	Eligibility/Brief Description
44.	Ex-gratia Allowance for Affected Households of Transitional Housing Project Converted into Community Isolation Facility	Each applicant-household that had signed the tenancy agreement with the Non-government Organisation of the Kong Ha Wai Transitional Housing Project (Phase 1) on or before 28 February 2022 (when the Government announced requisition of the Transitional Housing Project as Community Isolation Facilities (CIF)) and was affected by the Government’s decision to convert this Transitional Housing Project into CIF will be provided with a one-off ex-gratia allowance of \$8,000 in June to July 2022 (about a month after moving-in commencing on 28 May 2022).
45.	Reimbursement of repair and maintenance costs to public transport operators	<p><u>Franchised bus operators / franchised and licensed ferry operators/ Hong Kong Tramways Limited</u></p> <p>The actual regular repair and maintenance costs from July to December 2022 will be reimbursed to the 5 franchised bus operators, 1 franchised ferry operator and 4 licensed ferry operators³⁴ and Hong Kong Tramways Limited, subject to the condition that they were operated at a loss in 2022, after taking into account all AEF subsidies received in 2022.</p>
46.	Anti-epidemic Support Scheme for Environmental Hygiene and Security Staff for premises under the Home and Youth Affairs Bureau’s purview	<p>The “Anti-epidemic Support Scheme for Environmental Hygiene and Security Staff for premises under the Home Affairs Bureau’s purview” (“the Scheme”) under the sixth round of the Anti-epidemic Fund provides a monthly allowance of \$2,000 to the frontline property management workers (i.e. cleansing and security workers) working in the following premises for a maximum of five months (from February to June 2022) –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) campsites under the management of the youth uniformed groups and youth non-governmental organisations subvented by the former Home Affairs Bureau (i.e. the current Home and Youth Affairs Bureau (“HYAB”)) and other eligible premises; (b) cemeteries managed by the Board of Management of the Chinese Permanent Cemeteries; (c) standalone religious premises; (d) the Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts; (e) facilities at the Hong Kong Sports Institute;

³⁴ The regular repair and maintenance subsidy under the sixth-round AEF is not applicable to the outlying island ferry services which are entitled to the Special Helping Measures.

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		<p>(f) site offices and ancillary facilities at the Kai Tak Sports Park under the management of Kai Tak Sports Park Limited; and</p> <p>(g) standalone office and sports facilities under the management of relevant “national sports associations”/sports organisations subvented by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department.</p> <p>Starting from 1 July 2022, applications in respect of premises (a), (b) and (c) above are handled by the HYAB while the applications in respect of premises (d), (e), (f) and (g) are handled by the Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau.</p>
47.	Conversion of Two Transitional Housing Projects into Community Isolation Facilities	<p>On 28 February 2022, the Government obtained the consent of Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council (HKSKHWC) and Pok Oi Hospital (POH) to convert the two transitional housing (TH) projects, at Tung Tau and Kong Ha Wai (Phase 1), into Community Isolation Facilities (CIF) to accommodate isolated persons. On 13 April 2022 the Government announced that the projects are no longer required for CIF, the projects were then returned to HKSKHWC and POH for reversion works of CIF to TH.</p>
48.	Home Support Supplies Delivery Services for Persons under Home Quarantine	<p>The Home Support Supplies Delivery Services provides food, basic daily necessities and other items (e.g. diapers and milk powder) to confirmed cases and close contacts who are put under home isolation/quarantine but cannot make their own arrangements for these items.</p> <p>The Home Affairs Department also maintains a “Special Caring Delivery Team” to attend to urgent cases (e.g. persons with chronic diseases, disabled and singleton elderly as well as families with children who run out of food, etc).</p>
49.	Support for Hong Kong Cross-boundary Goods Vehicle (XBGV) Owners	<p>A one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$10,000 would be disbursed to the owner of each eligible XBGV.</p> <p>A Hong Kong XBGV must meet one of the following criteria for its owner to be eligible for the subsidy –</p>

Item	Measures	Eligibility/Brief Description
		<p>(a) the XBGV had been issued with a valid Closed Road Permit (CRP) by the Transport Department (TD) as at 1 June 2022; or</p> <p>(b) the XBGV had been issued with a valid CRP by the TD during the period between 1 March 2022 and 31 May 2022, and once again be issued with a valid CRP by the TD during the period on or before 30 June 2022.</p>
50.	Support cleansing and security workers engaged by The Prince Philip Dental Hospital service contractors in anti-epidemic efforts	To provide monthly allowance of \$2,000 to eligible frontline cleansing and security workers engaged by contractors of the Prince Philip Dental Hospital for five months (February to June 2022) through the contractors.
51.	Support Frontline Cleansing and Security Staff Engaged by Fish Marketing Organization, Vegetable Marketing Organization and their Service Contractors in Anti-epidemic Efforts	Any worker who is engaged by the Fish Marketing Organization or Vegetable Marketing Organization (F/VMO) or through their service contractors, whether on a full-time or part-time basis, and performs frontline cleansing or security duties in F/VMO wholesale markets in the period of February to June 2022, would be eligible for a monthly allowance of that particular month.
52.	Support Cleansing and Security Workers working at Private Cemeteries and Licensed Funeral Parlours	To provide a monthly allowance of \$2,000 per person to eligible cleansing and security worker engaged by Private Cemeteries and Licensed Funeral Parlours, either directly or indirectly through their service contractors, for a period of five months from February to June 2022.
53.	Support for Provision of Rapid Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Test Service for Cross-boundary Goods Vehicle (XBGV) Drivers at Land Boundary Control Points in Hong Kong	To avoid a spillover of the epidemic, all XBGV drivers entering the Mainland are required to take the Rapid PCR Test at land boundary control points starting from 20 March 2022. Only drivers with negative test results are allowed to enter the Mainland. The tests are currently provided by two service providers and the associated costs are funded by AEF.
54.	Subsidies for Local Fishing Vessels and Fish Collector Vessels with Mainland	Owners of fishing vessels and fish collector vessels with Mainland deckhands will be provided with a subsidy of \$80,000 per vessel, eligibility criteria as follows:

Item	Measures	Eligibility/Brief Description
	Deckhands	<p>(a) Owners of fishing vessels and fish collector vessels with Mainland deckhands who had benefitted from the AEF 6.0 Scheme, provided that their ownership status remains unchanged; or</p> <p>(b) Owners of other fishing vessels and fish collector vessels with Mainland deckhands who</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) are engaged in fishing operation and holding a valid 《漁業捕撈許可證》, or engaged in fish collecting operation and holding a valid 《捕撈輔助船許可證》 for the concerned vessel as at 27 October 2022;(ii) employed Mainland deckhand(s) to work on board the vessel ; and(iii) (for the vessels concerned) hold a valid Certificate of Ownership (CoO) and Operating Licence (OL) of a Class III vessel.

**Anti-epidemic Fund (AEF)
Progress of Implementation
(Position as at 19 May 2023)**

[Note: All completed measures of the AEF are set out in Table 6.]

Table 1. Progress of ongoing measures under the first-round AEF

Item	Measure	Estimated Expenditure (\$M)	Estimated No. of Beneficiaries	Implementation progress
1.	Support local mask production Policy Bureau: Commerce and Economic Development Bureau Implementation: Hong Kong Productivity Council	760	To subsidise the setting up of a maximum of 20 local production lines with an undertaking of the Government to buy up to 40 million masks per month for 12 months	All the quota of 20 production lines under the Local Mask Production Subsidy Scheme have been allocated. The one-year procurement period ended in end-June 2021. Disbursement of capital subsidy and payment for masks are in progress. As of 30 April 2023 ¹ , capital subsidy of around \$34.5 million has been disbursed to the grantees, and 469 million masks have been delivered to the Government ² .
2.	Convention and Exhibition Industry Subsidy Scheme Policy Bureau: Commerce and Economic Development Bureau	1,020 ³	Convention/exhibition organisers and participants	The part of the scheme regarding exhibitions and international conventions held at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre (HKCEC) and AsiaWorld-Expo (AWE) commenced on 3 October 2020, while that regarding exhibitions and major conventions organised by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council commenced on 30 November 2020. Both parts of the

¹ Figure as at 30 April 2023 is the latest available figure.

² The estimated average price of a mask procured by the Government under the Scheme is \$1.35. This figure is subject to change, depending on the supporting documents and calculations provided by the production lines.

³ The Commerce and Economic Development Bureau allocated \$50 million in January 2020 to subsidise local small and medium enterprises to participate in exhibitions held by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council. The subsidy was later subsumed under the Convention and Exhibition Industry Subsidy Scheme. Hence, the total expenditure of the Scheme amounts to \$1,070 million.

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	Implementation: Hong Kong Trade Development Council, Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre and AsiaWorld-Expo			<p>Scheme will last until 30 June 2023. As at 30 April 2023, subsidies of \$715.90 million have been approved, involving 250 events.</p> <p>In addition, one-off immediate relief of about \$41 million have been provided to private organisers of 73 exhibitions which were held at the HKCEC and AWE in at least any five calendar years from 2015 to 2021. This part of the measure has completed.</p>

Table 2. Progress of ongoing measures under the second-round AEF

Item	Measure	Estimated Expenditure (\$M)	Estimated No. of Beneficiaries	Implementation Progress
1.	<p>2020 Employment Support Scheme (2020 ESS)</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Chief Secretary for Administration's Office</p> <p>Implementation: Chief Executive's Policy Unit</p>	90,351.3	<p>All employers who have been making MPF contributions for their employees or have set up MPF-exempted Occupational Retirement Schemes (ORSO Schemes), as well as all self-employed persons (SEPs) who have set up an MPF SEP account on or before 31 March 2020 and with the accounts remaining opened as of the date are eligible for applying for 2020 ESS (except those otherwise excluded)</p>	<p>Over \$91 billion has been disbursed under the two tranches of 2020 ESS, including over \$90 billion of wage subsidies for employers and \$900 million subsidies for SEPs, benefitting over 150 000 employers, about 1.95 million employees and over 120 000 SEPs.</p> <p>Some employers receiving approved wage subsidies did not fully comply with the Terms and Conditions of ESS. Demand notes have been issued to about 26 000 such employers to claw back subsidy and impose penalty. As at 19 May 2023, about \$1.04 billion has been recovered, representing about 95% of the total sum of the demand notes issued. Of the remaining 5% involving 510 cases, the Employment Support Scheme Secretariat is instituting recovery action for relevant subsidy and penalty of 439 cases through legal route (except for cases under review or in liquidation proceedings).</p>
2.	<p>Job Creation (first and second round)</p> <p>Policy Bureau: All policy bureaux, coordinated by Civil Service Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: All policy bureaux and relevant</p>	13,200	<p>Around 60 000 time-limited jobs will be created</p>	<p>Under the Job Creation Scheme, in addition to bearing the salary of the jobs created in various government bureaux and departments, the Government subsidises part of the cost of the jobs created in the non-governmental sector. Some of the jobs are created specifically for recent graduates. These jobs include specifically training elements which are conducive to the long-term career development of young people and provide them with opportunities to acquire relevant working experience from</p>

Item	Measure	Estimated Expenditure (\$M)	Estimated No. of Beneficiaries	Implementation Progress
	departments and public bodies			<p>the time-limited jobs with a view to attaining professional qualifications in the relevant industries.</p> <p>As at 19 May 2023, around 60 000 jobs (about half of the jobs are created in the Government while the remaining half is created in the non-governmental sector) have been created under two phases of the Job Creation Scheme. Among them, around 59 400 jobs have been filled. Including the third round of Job Creation Scheme (Item 13 of Table 4), a total expenditure of around \$10.6 billion has been incurred.</p>
3.	<p>LAWTECH Fund</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Department of Justice (DoJ)</p> <p>Implementation: The Law Society of Hong Kong and the Hong Kong Bar Association (for law firms/chambers) and DoJ</p>	40	<p>(i) Around 700 SME law firms and barristers' chambers with 5 or less practising lawyers</p> <p>(ii) The local legal and dispute resolution sector</p>	<p>The Fund is administered by the Law Society of Hong Kong and the Hong Kong Bar Association under a Memorandum of Understanding with DoJ.</p> <p>The application period closed on 6 September 2020, with a total of 528 applications from small and medium-size law firms and barristers' chambers received, of which over 99% were approved eventually. Around \$24.3 million has been disbursed. The measure has completed.</p> <p>DoJ and eBRAM Centre, the service provider of the Hong Kong Legal Cloud services, have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding on the provision of the Hong Kong Legal Cloud service on 22 December 2021. DoJ set up the Hong Kong Legal Cloud Fund under the LAWTECH Fund to subsidise eligible local legal and dispute resolution professionals for free subscription to the Hong Kong Legal Cloud services for up to three years.</p>

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				<p>The Hong Kong Legal Cloud Fund, administered by the Asian Academy of International Law on a pro bono basis, will finance the setup cost and initial operational and promotion costs through disbursement of the actual subscription fees as incurred by eligible subscribers to the service provider.</p> <p>The Hong Kong Legal Cloud is an advanced and user-friendly online facility situated in Hong Kong to provide safe, secure and affordable data storage services for the legal and dispute resolution communities. The relevant services were officially launched on 1 March 2022, and the categories of subsidized subscribers were expanded since March 2023. As of 19 May 2023, there are 1 053 subscribers for the Hong Kong Legal Cloud.</p>
4.	<p>COVID-19 Online Dispute Resolution Scheme</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Department of Justice</p> <p>Implementation: eBRAM International Online Dispute Resolution Centre Limited (eBRAM Centre)</p>	70	<p>General public and businesses with disputes arising out of or in relation to COVID-19; and mediators, arbitrators and their pupils, etc.</p>	<p>The Department of Justice and eBRAM Centre, the service provider under the Scheme, entered into a Memorandum of Understanding and a Supplemental Memorandum of Understanding, which govern various matters of the Scheme, on 18 May 2020 and 4 May 2021 respectively.</p> <p>The Scheme was launched on 29 June 2020. Following the launch, eBRAM Centre has commenced a series of publicity work to introduce the Scheme to stakeholders and the public. Around 160 arbitrators and mediators have been enlisted under the Scheme and online training for them has been completed. \$70 million has been deployed.</p>

Item	Measure	Estimated Expenditure (\$M)	Estimated No. of Beneficiaries	Implementation Progress
				As of May 2023, the Scheme received over 600 enquiries and handled about 28 cases, with a total estimated dispute amount of around HK\$2.8 million. The validity period of Scheme has been extended until 30 September 2023.
5.	<p>Subsidy for encouraging early deployment of 5G</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Commerce and Economic Development Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Office of the Communications Authority</p>	110	Over 170 projects of 5G application in public and private sectors	The application period was closed on 31 December 2022. As at 19 May 2023, 173 applications have been approved, with about \$55 million of subsidy disbursed.
6.	<p>Distance Business Programme</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Innovation, Technology and Industry Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Innovation and Technology Commission</p>	1,700	Private enterprises with a valid Business Registration Certificate and social enterprises with a Social Enterprises Certificate issued by the Hong Kong Council of Social Service	The Distance Business Programme is a time-limited programme launched in May 2020. The application period for the programme ended on 31 October 2020. As at mid-May2023, among the 26 000 cases proceeded to implementation, over 90% have completed the projects and funding has been disbursed to them, involving total funding of around \$1.55 billion.
7.	<p>Matching Grant Scheme for Skills Upgrading</p> <p>Policy Bureau: All policy bureaux, coordinated by Civil Service Bureau</p>	17.0	About 19 000 participants from various sectors	<p>A total of 50 applications for the matching grant were received by the policy bureaux concerned. Among them, 47 applications were approved, while 3 were rejected.</p> <p>Implementation of the approved training programmes is in progress. As at May 2023, a total matching grant of about \$9.3 million has been disbursed to the successful</p>

Item	Measure	Estimated Expenditure (\$M)	Estimated No. of Beneficiaries	Implementation Progress
	Implementation: Relevant statutory bodies, industry associations and related bodies			applicants, and around 13 800 people have participated in the training programmes.
8.	<p>Tourism Industry Support Schemes</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau (in collaboration with Transport and Logistics Bureau and Home and Youth Affairs Bureau as relevant)</p> <p>Implementation: Tourism Commission (in collaboration with Transport Department (TD) and Home Affairs Department as relevant)</p>	765.701	Some 1 730 licensed travel agents; some 26 000 travel agents' staff and freelance accredited tourist guides and tour escorts whose main occupations are tourist guides and tour escorts; about 300 licensed hotels; about 9 300 tour service coach drivers; Kai Tak Cruise Terminal and cruise lines with ship calls cancelled; operator of Peak Tramway	<p>The Hotel Sector Support Scheme and the Tour Service Coach Drivers (Mainly Serving Tourists) Support Scheme have completed.</p> <p>The Travel Agents and Practitioners Support Scheme has largely completed, save the processing of applications from a small number of travel agents and their employees which are withheld pending criminal investigation by the Police for suspected conspiracy to defraud.</p> <p>As at 19 May 2023, about 23 000 applications under the above three schemes have been approved and around \$734.4 million of subsidy disbursed.</p> <p>For the cruise industry, the Government waived the monthly fixed rent and management fees for the operator of Kai Tak Cruise Terminal for six months, from 1 June to 30 November 2020⁴.</p> <p>Furthermore, the Government started providing refund of berth deposits to cruise lines for cancelled ship calls during the suspension of immigration service. As at 19 May 2023, 81 applications have been approved, involving around \$10.37 million.</p>

⁴ The waiver was completed on 30 November 2020 under the second-round AEF and has subsequently been extended until 31 December 2023.

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				<p>The Government also provided a one-off financial subsidy of \$1.851 million to the operator of Peak Tramway, the amount of which is equivalent to 75% of annual consideration payable to the Government by the operator for Year 2020. Disbursement of the subsidy completed in July 2021.</p>
9.	<p>Catering Business (Social Distancing) Subsidy Scheme (CSS)</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Environment and Ecology Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Food and Environmental Hygiene Department</p>	4,590	About 17 000 catering outlets and their employees	<p><u>Licensed food premises</u></p> <p>For the first tranche payment, around 9 160 applications were received, amongst which 9 051 applications were approved and \$2,246 million of subsidy disbursed. For the second tranche payment, 8 986 applications were received, with 8 915 applications approved and \$2,179.8 million of subsidy disbursed.</p> <p>In addition, an enhanced CSS was rolled out on 25 August 2020 for eligible catering business which did not join the original CSS to apply for only the second tranche of subsidy. The application period ended on 14 September 2020, with 234 applications received. 197 applications were approved and \$37.6 million of subsidy were disbursed.</p> <p><u>Further one-off subsidy to Karaoke Establishments, nightclubs and bars or pubs which are concurrently holding a food licence</u></p> <p>850 applications were received, with 700 applications approved and \$40.75 million of subsidy disbursed. This part of the measure has completed.</p>

Item	Measure	Estimated Expenditure (\$M)	Estimated No. of Beneficiaries	Implementation Progress
				<p><u>Cooked food/light refreshment stalls at public markets</u> The application period ended on 27 May 2020, with 877 applications received. 871 eligible applications were approved and around \$44 million of subsidy were disbursed. This part of the measure has completed.</p>

Table 3. Progress of ongoing measures under the fifth-round AEF

Item	Measure	Estimated Expenditure (\$M)	Estimated No. of Beneficiaries	Implementation Progress
1.	<p>Catering Business Subsidy Scheme</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Environment and Ecology Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Food and Environmental Hygiene Department</p>	1,761	Some 17 600 licensed catering outlets, about 1 000 cooked food/light refreshment stall operators and 1 700 licensees of licensed food factories	<p>The application period started on 17 January 2022 and ended on 18 February 2022.</p> <p><u>Licensed food premises</u> As at 19 May 2023, 17 430 applications have been received, of which 17 182 applications were approved and \$1.6173 billion of subsidy disbursed.</p> <p><u>Further one-off subsidy to Karaoke Establishments, nightclubs and bars/pubs which are concurrently holding a food licence</u> This part of measure was completed on 15 November 2022. 1 468 applications have been received during the application period, with 780 applications approved and \$19.5 million of subsidy disbursed.</p> <p><u>Cooked food/light refreshment stall tenants in Food and Environmental Hygiene Department markets and tenants holding Fixed Pitch (Cooked Food or Light Refreshment) licences operating in public housing developments</u> The application period ended on 18 February 2022. 939 applications have been received, of which 938 applications were approved and \$23.45 million of subsidy were disbursed.</p> <p><u>Food Courts Subsidy Scheme</u> This part of measure was completed on 15 November 2022. 646 applications have been received during the</p>

Item	Measure	Estimated Expenditure (\$M)	Estimated No. of Beneficiaries	Implementation Progress
				application period, with 340 applications approved and \$6.215 million of subsidy disbursed.
2.	<p>Arts and Culture Sector Subsidy Scheme – Subsidy to individual arts practitioners and freelancers</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Hong Kong Arts Development Council (HKADC) and the Chinese Artist Association of Hong Kong (Barwo)</p>	32.7	Around 6 540 individual arts practitioners/ freelancers and Chinese opera practitioners	As at 19 May 2023, HKADC and Barwo have disbursed subsidies to around 6 495 individual arts practitioners/ freelancers and Chinese opera practitioners, involving subsidy of \$32.48 million.
3.	<p>Provision of Subsidy to Companies in the Performing Industry which Organise Pop Concerts</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Performing Industry Association (Hong Kong) Limited (PIA)</p>	4	About 80 companies in the performing industry which organise pop concerts	As at 19 May 2023, PIA has disbursed subsidies to 65 eligible companies of the performing industry, involving subsidy of \$3.25 million.

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4.	<p>Extension of the Green Lifestyle Local Tour Incentive Scheme</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Culture Sports and Tourism Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Tourism Commission</p>	300	Eligible travel agents and participating accredited tourist guides and tour escorts	The Green Lifestyle Local Tour Incentive Scheme has been extended to April 2023. As at 19 May 2023, a total of around \$261 million of subsidy has been distributed to some 900 travel agents.
5.	<p>Additional Support for the Cross-boundary Passenger Transport Trade</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Transport and Logistics Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Transport Department (TD) and Marine Department (MD)</p>	103	Registered owners of about 1 500 cross-boundary coaches and about 600 cross-boundary hire cars; operators of about 80 cross-boundary ferries	<p><u>One-off non-accountable subsidy of \$30,000 to registered owners of each licensed cross-boundary coach and cross-boundary hire car</u></p> <p>As at 19 May 2023, \$52.59 million of subsidy has been disbursed to the registered owners of 1 265 cross-boundary coaches and 488 cross-boundary hire cars.</p> <p><u>One-off non-accountable subsidy of \$500,000 for each eligible cross-boundary ferry vessel</u></p> <p>A total of \$38 million of one-off non-accountable subsidy has been paid to all eligible operators of 76 cross-boundary ferries. This part of the measure has completed.</p>

Table 4. Progress of ongoing measures under the sixth-round AEF

Item	Measure	Estimated Expenditure (\$M)	Estimated No. of Beneficiaries	Implementation Progress
1.	<p>Catering Business Subsidy Scheme</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Environment and Ecology Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Food and Environmental Hygiene Department</p>	3,530	Some 19 000 licensed catering outlets and about 1 000 cooked food/light refreshment stall operators.	<p>The application period started on 21 February 2022 and ended on 21 March 2022.</p> <p><u>Licensed food premises</u> As at 19 May 2023, 17 139 applications have been received, of which 16 857 applications were approved and \$3.1848 billion of subsidy disbursed.</p> <p><u>Further one-off subsidy to Karaoke Establishments, nightclubs and bars/pubs which are concurrently holding a food licence</u> As at 19 May 2023, 1 237 applications have been received, with 765 applications approved and \$38.25 million of subsidy disbursed. This part of the measure has completed.</p> <p><u>Cooked food/light refreshment stall tenants in Food and Environmental Hygiene Department markets and tenants holding Fixed Pitch (Cooked Food or Light Refreshment) licences operating in public housing developments</u> The application period ended on 21 March 2022. 934 applications have been received, of which 932 applications were approved and \$46.6 million of subsidy disbursed. This part of the measure has completed.</p>

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				<p><u>Food Courts Subsidy Scheme</u> As at 15 November 2022, 462 applications have been received, of which 341 applications were approved and \$12.24 million of subsidy disbursed. This part of the measure has completed.</p>
2.	<p>Provision of Subsidy to Companies in the Performing Industry which Organise Pop Concerts</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Performing Industry Association (Hong Kong) Limited (PIA)</p>	10	About 80 companies in the performing industry which organise pop concerts	As at 19 May 2023, PIA has disbursed subsidies to 65 eligible companies of the performing industry, involving subsidy of \$6.5 million.
3.	<p>Tourism Industry Additional Support Scheme (financial assistance to travel agents and hotels, and resources to Hong Kong Tourism Board to operate a “spend-to-redeem” programme for cruise-to-nowhere itineraries)</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Culture, Sports</p>	273.25	About 1 670 travel agents; About 330 hotels; and around 40 000 local cruise-to-nowhere passengers, cruise lines as well as travel agents selling relevant packages	<p>As at 19 May 2023, all applications for hotel subsidy were processed and subsidy was disbursed to all eligible hotels, whereas the processing of applications for travel agents has largely completed. A total of around \$219.6 million of subsidy were disbursed to around 1 611 travel agents and 288 hotels.</p> <p>As regards the “Spend-to-redeem” programme for cruise-to-nowhere itineraries, following the resumption of international cruise itineraries calling at Hong Kong</p>

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	<p>and Tourism Bureau (in collaboration with the Home and Youth Affairs Bureau as relevant)</p> <p>Implementation: Tourism Commission (in collaboration with Home Affairs Department and the Hong Kong Tourism Board as relevant)</p>			<p>in January 2023, the Hong Kong Tourism Board has adjusted its relevant strategies of promoting the recovery of cruise industry by first focusing on attracting visits of international cruises.</p>
4.	<p>Support for the Creative Industries (Rental support to tenants of PMQ)</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Create Hong Kong</p>	14	About 100 PMQ tenants	<p>Two tranches of financial assistance of \$7 million each (totally \$14 million) were disbursed to PMQ in end March 2022 and early July 2022 respectively. Pursuant to PMQ's submission of the overall audited account at end October 2022, CSTB/CreateHK is reviewing and ascertaining the reported unused balance, and will wrap up the subject after PMQ has returned the unused balance to the Government.</p>
5.	<p>Fuel and One-off Non-accountable Subsidy to Local Passenger Transport Sector</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Transport and Logistics Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Transport</p>	2,587.57	46 000 taxi drivers, 2 600 red minibus drivers, 164 green minibus operators; 5 franchised bus companies, 11 ferry operators and Hong Kong Tramways Limited; registered owners of	<p><u>Reimbursement of 40% of actual fuel/electricity cost for five franchised bus companies, 11 franchised and licensed ferry operators and Hong Kong Tramways Limited, and provision of \$2.0 discount per litre of LPG or 40% of fuel cost for diesel and petrol for public light buses and taxis</u></p> <p>The fuel subsidy to franchised bus companies, franchised and licensed ferry operators and Hong Kong</p>

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	Department		about 5 500 local non-franchised public buses, 2 112 school private light buses, 732 local hire cars, 18 163 taxis, 1 015 red minibuses and 83 kaito vessels	<p>Tramways Limited is provided for a period of 8 months from 1 February to 30 September 2022. The disbursement of fuel subsidy to Hong Kong Tramways and franchised and licensed ferry operators was completed. As at 19 May 2023, about \$312 million of fuel subsidy has been disbursed.</p> <p>The fuel subsidy to public light buses and taxis is provided for a period of 8 months from 1 May to 31 December 2022. As at 19 May 2023, about \$572 million of fuel subsidy has been disbursed.</p> <p><u>One-off non-accountable subsidy for franchised bus companies (\$30,000/vehicle), local ferry operators (\$30,000/vessel), tram operator (\$30,000/tramcar), green minibus passenger service licence holders (\$30,000/vehicle), kaito operators (\$20,000/vessel); registered owners of local non-franchised public buses (\$30,000/vehicle), school private light buses (\$30,000/vehicle), local hire cars (\$30,000/vehicle), taxis (\$30,000/vehicle) and red minibuses (\$30,000/vehicle)</u></p> <p>As at 19 May 2023, around \$1.106 billion of one-off non-accountable subsidy has been disbursed to all franchised bus companies, 11 franchised and licensed ferry operators, Hong Kong Tramways Limited, 164 green minibus passenger service licence holders, kaito operators of 79 vessels, the registered owners of 5 265 local non-franchised public buses, 2 107 school private</p>

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				light buses, 683 local hire cars, 18 069 taxis and 967 red minibuses. The disbursement of one-off subsidy to franchised bus companies, franchised and licensed ferry operators, Hong Kong Tramways Limited, green minibus passenger service licence holders and kaito operators was completed.
6.	<p>Additional Support for the Cross-boundary Passenger Transport Trade</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Transport and Logistics Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Transport Department and Marine Department</p>	103	Registered owners of about 1 500 cross-boundary coaches and about 600 cross-boundary hire cars; operators of about 80 cross-boundary ferries	<p><u>One-off non-accountable subsidy of \$30,000 to registered owners of each licensed cross-boundary coach and cross-boundary hire car</u></p> <p>As at 19 May 2023, \$52.11 million of subsidy has been disbursed to the registered owners of 1 255 cross-boundary coaches and 482 cross-boundary hire cars.</p> <p><u>One-off non-accountable subsidy of \$500,000 for each eligible cross-boundary ferry vessel</u></p> <p>A total of \$38 million of one-off non-accountable subsidy has been paid to all eligible operators of 76 cross-boundary ferries. This part of the measure has completed.</p>

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7.	<p>Subsidies for Local Primary Producers</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Environment and Ecology Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department</p>	113	Around 9552 local primary producers	The application for the subsidies to local primary producers ended on 4 April 2022, with over 8 900 applications received. As of 31 May 2023, 8 793 applications have been approved, involving \$101.23 million of subsidy.
8.	<p>Anti-epidemic Support Scheme for Environmental Hygiene and Security Staff in Property Management Sector</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Home and Youth Affairs Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Home Affairs Department in collaboration with the Property Management Services Authority (PMSA)</p>	2,120	Around 200 000 frontline property management (PM) workers performing duties relating to environmental hygiene or security in private residential, composite (i.e. commercial cum residential), industrial and commercial (including shopping malls) building blocks, including similar types of frontline PM workers employed by premises within these building; frontline PM workers of service contractors/subcontractors (including part-time/leave	The application period ended on 30 June 2022. Over 12 100 applications have been approved, involving over \$1.76 billion. The scheme benefited over 188 000 frontline PM workers serving in some 40 000 buildings. The Scheme is completed, saved for the final disbursement of administration fees to applicants (i.e. PM companies, Deed of Mutual Covenant Managers and Owners' Corporations/ Organisations).

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			relief workers); and frontline PM workers serving in “three-nil” buildings	
9.	<p>Arts and Culture Sector Subsidy Scheme (Subsidy to individual arts practitioners and freelancers)</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Hong Kong Arts Development Council (HKADC) and the Chinese Artist Association of Hong Kong (Barwo)</p>	68.2	Around 6 820 individual arts practitioners/ freelancers and Chinese opera practitioners	As at 19 May 2023, HKADC and Barwo have disbursed subsidies to around 6 758 individual arts practitioners/ freelancers and Chinese opera practitioners, involving subsidy of \$67.58 million.
10.	<p>Tourism Industry Additional Support Scheme (Financial assistance to travel agents’ staff, freelance accredited practitioners whose main occupations are/were tourist guides or tour escorts, and tour service coach drivers)</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau</p>	160.25	Around 19 100 travel agents’ staff and freelance accredited tourist guides and tour escorts whose main occupations are tourist guides and tour escorts, and 3 400 tour service coach drivers	The Scheme has largely completed. As at 19 May 2023, a total of around \$151 million of subsidy has been disbursed to some 21 290 eligible practitioners.

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	Implementation: Tourism Commission			
11.	<p>Support for Hong Kong Cross-boundary Goods Vehicle Drivers</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Transport and Logistics Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Transport Department</p>	110	Around 11 000 Hong Kong Cross-boundary Goods Vehicle (XBGV) drivers	As at 19 May 2023, subsidy in form of crossed cheques has been deposited by a total of 10 375 eligible drivers, involving \$103.75 million of subsidy. TD is now handling the remaining cases.
12.	<p>Temporary Unemployment Relief Scheme (TUR Scheme)</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Chief Secretary for Administration's Office</p> <p>Implementation: Chief Executive's Policy Unit and Home Affairs Department</p>	4,117.6	People who have lost their jobs due to the fifth wave of the epidemic and have been continuously unemployed for not less than 30 days at the time of application; and those who have been requested not to work temporarily by the employers as the premises in which they work have been restricted under social distancing measures and have been continuously out-of-work for not less than 30 days at the time of application.	<p>The processing of all applications under the TUR Scheme have been completed. Among the 470 000 applications received, over 350 000 applicants have been granted the subsidies, which far exceed the original estimate of 300 000 beneficiaries. Total subsidies granted amount to \$3.5 billion.</p> <p>We are following up on the cases of violations of the Terms and Conditions of the Scheme identified during the post-funding audit. As at 19 May 2023, demand notes have been issued to about 1 080 applicants concerned to request for return of the subsidy. About 860 applicants have returned the subsidy of a total amount of \$8.6 million, which accounts for 80% of the total amount of demand note issued. We will follow up on the recovery of subsidy and seek legal remedy when necessary.</p>

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			Full-time and part-time employees as well as self-employed persons may apply for the subsidy	
13.	<p>Job Creation (third-round)</p> <p>Policy Bureau: All policy bureaux, coordinated by Civil Service Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: All policy bureaux and relevant departments and public bodies</p>	6,600	30 000 time-limited jobs	<p>As at 19 May 2023, around 29 500 jobs (about 60% of the jobs are created in the Government while 40% is created in the non-governmental sector) have been created under the third round of the Job Creation Scheme. Among them, around 22 500 jobs have been filled.</p> <p>Together with the first and second rounds of the Scheme (Item 2 of Table 2), the actual expenditure incurred under three rounds of the Scheme is around \$10.6 billion.</p>

Table 5. Progress of ongoing measures approved by the AEF Steering Committee

Item	Measure	Estimated Expenditure (\$M)	Estimated No. of Beneficiaries	Implementation Progress
1.	<p>100% Credit Limit Top-Up Scheme</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Commerce and Economic Development Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Hong Kong Export Credit Insurance Corporation</p>	200	Exporters	<p>The Scheme provides extra support to the export trade sector by enhancing the export credit insurance coverage available to exporters through the Hong Kong Export Credit Insurance Corporation (ECIC).</p> <p>The Scheme commenced on 8 June 2020 and was extended to run until 30 June 2023. Under the Scheme, ECIC would automatically double the credit limits of existing policyholders or uplift the limits to the amount applied for, whichever is the smaller, subject to a cap of \$100 million. New credit limit applications will also be topped up in a similar manner.</p> <p>As of 30 April 2023, 16 786 credit limits have been uplifted, of which 6 432 were new credit limits. Of the \$58.5 billion of credit limits benefiting from the Scheme, the top-up portion accounted for 45.9% (\$26.82 billion). The cumulative amount of shipments covered under the top-up portion amounted to \$35 billion, with outstanding shipments totalling \$3.599 billion.</p>
2.	<p>Procurement of Private COVID-19 Testing Services</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Commerce and Economic Development Bureau, Development Bureau, Education Bureau,</p>	1,460	The estimated number of beneficiaries is around 6.1 million	To achieve the objective of “early identification, early isolation and early treatment” in combatting COVID-19, the Government implemented testing services under a 3-pronged approach of “compulsory testing, targeted testing and voluntary testing” earlier.

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	<p>Environment and Ecology Bureau, Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau, Health Bureau, Home and Youth Affairs Bureau, Housing Bureau, Labour and Welfare Bureau, Security Bureau, Transport and Logistics Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: relevant bureaux and departments</p>			<p>Since the fifth wave of epidemic starting from 31 December 2021 to 19 May 2023, the Government conducted around 46.8 million tests, of which around 1.49 million samples were tested positive (positive rate at 3.18%), successfully cutting silent transmission chains in the community.</p> <p>The Government has been adjusting the local testing strategies. Since December 2022, free nucleic acid testing service is no longer provided at the community testing network, and since 13 May 2023, the Government ceased the operation of community testing network.</p> <p>As at 19 May 2023, it is estimated that around \$1.347 billion had been incurred, with commitment of \$113 million to settle the remaining payment.</p>
3.	<p>Designated Quarantine Hotel Scheme</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Health Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Department of Health</p>	332.1	Participating hotels with an average occupancy rate below 50%	<p>To further prevent importation of COVID-19 cases and reduce contact between travellers from overseas and the local community, the Government fully implemented the Designated Quarantine Hotel Scheme (the Scheme) on 22 December 2020.</p> <p>Eight cycles of the Scheme have completed, covering the period from end December 2020 to 26 September 2022. For the first five cycles, the subsidy paid to hotels with average occupancy rate below 50% and the total claims for reimbursement of special cleansing and disinfection services were about \$73.5 million and \$3.2 million</p>

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				<p>respectively.</p> <p>As at 19 May 2023, an amount of around \$27 million, \$14.1 million and \$130.7 million has been paid for the claim for subsidy with average occupancy rate below 50% for the sixth cycle, seventh cycle and eighth cycle respectively. Besides, an amount of around \$1.7 million, \$28.6 million and \$14.6 million for the claim for reimbursement of special cleansing and disinfection services for the sixth cycle, seventh cycle and eighth cycle respectively.</p>
4.	<p>Greater Bay Area Youth Employment Scheme</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Labour and Welfare Bureau, Innovation, Technology and Industry Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Labour Department, Innovation, Technology and Industry Bureau</p>	162	1 091 graduates who have obtained bachelor's degrees or above in 2019 to 2021	<p>The pilot scheme was launched on 8 January 2021 and recruitment has been completed. Around 3 500 job vacancies were received, attracting an estimated 20 000 job applications from graduates. Participating enterprises have submitted preliminary applications for allowance for 1 091 graduates who had commenced employment. As at 19 May 2023, around \$108.4 million of allowance has been disbursed to enterprises.</p>

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5.	<p>Territory-wide sewage surveillance for COVID-19</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Health Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Environmental Protection Department, Drainage Services Department, Department of Health</p>	372.7	About 6 million of Hong Kong residents, i.e. 80% of the total population.	Having regard to the epidemic development, sewage samples collection at 120 stationary sites has adjusted from two-day cycle to weekly cycle starting from April 2023.
6.	<p>Tourism Industry Additional Support Scheme (Special Further Subsidies) and Additional Support for the Cross-boundary Passenger Transport Trade</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau, Transport and Logistics Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Tourism Commission, Transport Department (TD), Marine Department (MD)</p>	356	Some 1 600 travel agents; 18 400 travel agents' staff and freelance accredited practitioners whose main occupation are tourist guides or tour escorts; some 3 400 tour service coach drivers; registered owners of about 1 500 cross-boundary coaches and about 600 cross-boundary hire cars; operators of about 80 cross-boundary ferries	<p><u>Tourism Industry Additional Scheme (Special Further Subsidies)</u></p> <p>The Scheme has largely completed. As at 19 May 2023, a total of around \$253 million of subsidy have been disbursed to some 1 530 travel agents and some 20 650 eligible practitioners.</p> <p><u>One-off non-accountable subsidy of \$30,000 to registered owners of each licensed cross-boundary coach and cross-boundary hire car</u></p> <p>As at 19 May 2023, \$54.63 million of subsidy has been disbursed to the registered owners of 1 306 cross-boundary coaches and 515 cross-boundary hire cars.</p> <p><u>One-off non-accountable subsidy of \$500,000 for each eligible cross-boundary ferry vessel</u></p> <p>MD has paid a total of \$38.5 million of subsidy to all eligible operators of 77 cross-boundary ferries. This part of the measure has completed.</p>

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7.	<p>Providing special financial assistance to the Travel Industry Council of Hong Kong</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Tourism Commission</p>	13.2	Travel Industry Council of Hong Kong	As at 19 May 2023, the third tranches of financial assistance have been disbursed to the Travel Industry Council of Hong Kong, involving around \$11.03 million in total.
8.	<p>Support cleansing and security staff in the local public transport sector</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Transport and Logistics Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Transport Department, and the public transport operators</p>	63.13	About 5 000 people	As at 19 May 2023, subsidy involving \$39.25 million have been disbursed to public transport operators. TD is now handling the refund of AEF subsidy from public transport operators.
9.	<p>Cleansing and Security Service Provider Subsidy Scheme for Postsecondary Education Institutions, Non-government Schools and Kindergartens</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Education Bureau</p>	334.5	About 9 000 and 24 000 cleansing or security worker engaged (directly or through service contracts) by post-secondary education institutions, non-government schools and kindergartens	<p><u>“Cleansing and Security Service Provider Subsidy Scheme for Non-government Schools and Kindergartens”</u></p> <p>The application period started on 27 May 2022 and ended on 23 June 2022. As at 19 May 2023, applications from 16 732 workers for the allowance period from February to May have been received, of which 16 694 eligible applications were approved. Besides, applications from 15 979 workers for the allowance period of June have</p>

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	Implementation: Post-secondary education institutions, non-government schools and kindergartens in collaboration with their service contractors			<p>been received, of which 15 977 eligible applications were approved. A total of about \$154.78 million of subsidy was disbursed.</p> <p><u>“Cleansing and Security Service Provider Subsidy Scheme for Post-secondary Education Institutions”</u> The application period started on 27 May and ended on 23 June 2022. This part of the Scheme was completed with 149 applications received. All applications were approved, with about 71.2 million disbursed, benefitting around 7 050 workers.</p>
10.	Support Cleansing and Security Workers Engaged by Non-government Works Contractors for working in construction sites in Anti-epidemic Efforts Policy Bureau: Development Bureau Implementation: Construction Industry Council (CIC)	40	Around 4 000 cleansing and security workers	As at 19 May 2023, 212 applications involving 1 929 beneficiaries have been approved and around \$15 million disbursed. The assessment of the Allowance Disbursement Report submitted by the applicants was completed.
11.	2022 Employment Support Scheme (2022 ESS) Policy Bureau: Chief Secretary for Administration’s Office	43,000	All employers who have participated in MPF Schemes or set up MPF-exempted Occupational Retirement Schemes (ORSO Schemes), as well	The Employment Support Scheme Secretariat (the Secretariat) received a total of about 176 000 applications from employers (involving about 1.66 million employees) and 119 000 applications from self-employed persons. A total of about 170 000 employer applicants are eligible. As at 19 May 2023, the Secretariat has approved a total of

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	Implementation: Chief Executive's Policy Unit		as all self-employed persons (SEPs) who have created an MPF “Self-employed person” account on or before 31 December 2021, and have not terminated the account at the time of application (except those otherwise excluded)	<p>over \$36.7 billion of wage subsidies for May to July 2022 to eligible employers, involving a total of about 1.58 million employees.</p> <p>The Secretariat has also granted the one-off subsidy to all eligible self-employed persons, involving 98 000 persons and a total subsidy of over \$780 million.</p> <p>As at 19 May 2023, over 30 000 employers who have been approved the wage subsidies did not fulfil the employment undertaking in the 2022 ESS (i.e. the actual number of employees within the relevant wage range in any month of the subsidy period is smaller than the committed headcount). These employers are required to return the relevant subsidy amount for the unfilled headcount and pay a penalty equivalent to 10% of the subsidy amount to be returned. About 68% of them have fully returned the relevant subsidy amount and paid a penalty by offsetting against the approved wage subsidies. Demand notes have been sent to the remaining employers to request for settlement of the relevant amounts. About 9 100 employers have fully settled the demand notes, involving a total amount of \$134 million and representing about 68% of the total amount of demand notes issued. We will follow up on the settlement status and seek legal remedy when necessary.</p>
12.	Reimbursement of repair and maintenance costs to public transport operators	251.81	Five franchised bus companies, one franchised ferry operator	11 public transport operators have submitted applications for reimbursement of repair and maintenance costs and the Transport Department is vetting these applications.

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	<p>Policy Bureau: Transport and Logistics Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Transport Department</p>		<p>and four licensed ferry operators and Hong Kong Tramways Limited</p>	
13.	<p>Conversion of Two Transitional Housing Projects into Community Isolation Facilities</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Housing Bureau, Security Bureau and Health Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Task Force on Transitional Housing, Housing Department, Department of Health, Government Logistics Department, Office of the Government Chief Information Officer</p>	32.89	2 community isolation facilities (CIFs) providing about 2 500 units in total.	<p>On 28 February 2022, the Government obtained the consent of Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council (HKSKHWC) and Pok Oi Hospital (POH) to convert the two transitional housing (TH) projects, at Tung Tau and Kong Ha Wai (Phase 1), into Community Isolation Facilities (CIF) to accommodate isolated persons. On 13 April 2022, the Government announced that the projects are no longer required for CIF, the projects were then returned to HKSKHWC and POH for reversion works of CIF to TH. Conversion and reversion works have been completed. Preparation of final accounts in respect of the conversion and reversion works are in progress.</p> <p><u>Tung Tau TH</u> HKSKHWC has submitted the draft assessment on the contractor's claim prepared by their Project Quantity Surveyor. The Task Force on Transitional Housing (TFTH) provided comments on the draft assessment to HKSKHWC on 8 May 2023 for their follow-up and re-submission.</p> <p><u>Kong Ha Wai (Phase 1) TH</u> Project Quantity Surveyor's assessment on the</p>

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				contractor's claim is in progress. Overall progress of assessment is about 30%.
14.	<p>Support for Hong Kong Cross-boundary Goods Vehicle Owners</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Transport and Logistics Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Transport Department</p>	120	Owners of around 12 000 Hong Kong Cross-boundary Goods Vehicles (XBGVs)	As at 19 May 2023, subsidy in form of crossed cheques has been deposited by a total of 4 316 eligible owners of 10 575 XBGVs, involving \$105.75 million of subsidy. TD is now handling the remaining cases.
15.	<p>Subsidies for Local Fishing Vessels and Fish Collector Vessels with Mainland Deckhands</p> <p>Policy Bureau: Environment and Ecology Bureau</p> <p>Implementation: Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department</p>	136	1 700	Application started from 1 November 2022 and closed on 28 February 2023. As at 19 May 2023, 1 394 applications have been received, with 1 383 applications approved, involving \$110.64 million of subsidy.

Table 6. Completed measures

(Over 66.7 billion has been deployed/disbursed under completed measures.)

Measures	
First-round AEF	
1.	Enhancing support to the Hospital Authority for combating the epidemic
2.	Global procurement of personal protective equipment
3.	Support property management sector in anti-epidemic efforts
4.	Technology applications to enable reusability of masks
5.	Support construction sector in anti-epidemic efforts
6.	Support cleansing and security staff engaged by Government and Hong Kong Housing Authority service contractors in anti-epidemic efforts
7.	Installation of emergency alert system
8.	Home quarantine support
9.	Ex-gratia payment to eligible public rental housing applicants who have accepted the advance allocation offers of Fai Ming Estate and Chun Yeung Estate
10.	Retail Sector Subsidy Scheme
11.	Food Licence Holders Subsidy Scheme
12.	Subsidy for the transport sector
13.	Special allowance for eligible Working Family Allowance and Student Financial Assistance households
14.	Additional student grant for 2019/20 school year
15.	Rental waivers for tenants at the Hong Kong Science Park, industrial estates and Cyberport
16.	Subsidies for live marine fish wholesale traders, fishing vessels with Mainland deckhands and fresh marine fish/vegetable/ freshwater fish/hen egg/fresh fruit wholesalers
17.	Support to child care centres
18.	Arts and Culture Sector Subsidy Scheme
19.	Licensed Guesthouses Subsidy Scheme
20.	Travel Agents Subsidy Scheme

Measures	
21.	Support to training bodies of Employees Retraining Board
22.	Licensed Hawkers Subsidy Scheme
Second-round AEF	
23.	Training subsidies for consultants in the construction sector
24.	Registered operators of private schools offering non-formal curriculum
25.	School-related service providers (including catering, interest groups, school bus services)
26.	One-off grant to registered sports coaches
27.	Relief grants for freelance workers hired by subvented non-governmental welfare organisations to provide training and coaching for service users
28.	Subsidy for the refuse transfer station account holders for transporting municipal solid waste
29.	Subsidies for local primary producers
30.	Special subsidy to exchange participants and Securities and Futures Commission licensees
31.	Cash subsidy for individual licensees in the estate agency sector
32.	Subsidy for the passenger transport sector
33.	Providing relief to creative industries
34.	Relief measures for construction sector
35.	Subsidy to operators of Revitalising Historic Buildings Through Partnership Scheme, PMQ and Fly the Flyover Operation
36.	Subsidy for the aviation sector
37.	Amusement Game Centres Subsidy Scheme
38.	Commercial Bathhouses Subsidy Scheme
39.	Fitness Centre Subsidy Scheme
40.	Places of Amusement Licence Holders Subsidy Scheme
41.	Places of Public Entertainment Licence Holder Subsidy Scheme
42.	Mahjong / Tin Kau Licence Holder Subsidy Scheme
43.	Subsidy Scheme for Beauty Parlours, Massage Establishments and Party Rooms
44.	Club-house Subsidy Scheme

Measures	
45.	Sports and Recreational Sites Subsidy Scheme
46.	A 20% fare concession of MTR and temporary relaxation of the monthly threshold of the Public Transport Fare Subsidy Scheme
Third-round AEF	
47.	Quarantine centres for residents of residential care homes for the elderly and residential care homes for persons with disabilities
48.	Quarantine facilities
49.	Subsidy scheme for the promotion of contactless payment in public markets
50.	Catering Business Subsidy Scheme
51.	Tourism Industry Support Scheme
52.	Subsidy Scheme for Beauty Parlours, Massage Establishments and Party Rooms
53.	Subsidy Scheme for the Transport and Aviation Sector
54.	One-off Relief Grant to Providers of Catering Services for Schools and Post-Secondary Education Institutions and Providers of Interest Classes and School Bus Services for Schools
55.	Support for Child Care Centres
56.	Fitness Centre Subsidy Scheme
57.	One-off Grant to Kindergartens and Private Schools
58.	One-off Grant to Private Schools Offering Non-formal Curriculum
59.	One-off Grant to Registered Sports Coaches
60.	Club-house Subsidy Scheme
61.	Sport Premises Subsidy Scheme
62.	Scheme on Relief Grants for Interest Class Instructors Hired by Subvented Non-governmental Welfare Organisations
63.	Arts and Culture Sector Subsidy Scheme - Subsidy to individual arts practitioners and freelancers
64.	Places of Public Entertainment Licence Holder Subsidy Scheme
65.	Amusement Game Centres Subsidy Scheme
66.	Cinemas Subsidy Scheme
67.	Provision of subsidy to companies in the performing industry which organise pop concerts
68.	Arts and Culture Sector Subsidy Scheme – Rental support for tenants of Arts Spaces and Jockey Club Creative Arts Centre

Measures	
69.	Sports and Recreational Sites Subsidy Scheme
70.	Mahjong/Tin Kau Licence Holder Subsidy Scheme
71.	Places of Amusement Licence Holders Subsidy Scheme
72.	Further Subsidy to Commercial Bathhouses
Fourth-round AEF	
73.	Catering Business Subsidy Scheme
74.	Subsidy Scheme for Beauty Parlours, Massage Establishments and Party Rooms
75.	One-off relief grant to providers of catering services for schools as well as post-secondary education institutions, interest classes, and school bus services for school
76.	Support for Child Care Centres
77.	Fitness Centre and Sports Premises Subsidy Scheme
78.	One-off grant to kindergartens and private schools
79.	One-off grant to private schools offering non-formal curriculum
80.	Club-house Subsidy Scheme
81.	One-off grant to registered sports coaches
82.	Scheme on Relief Grants for Interest Class Instructors Hired by Subvented Non-governmental Welfare Organisations
83.	Arts and Culture Sector Subsidy Scheme – Subsidy to individual arts practitioners and freelancers
84.	Ex-gratia payment to part-time instructors/staff/personnel affected by cancellation of sports & recreation and culture programmes organised by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department
85.	Places of Public Entertainment Licence Holder Subsidy Scheme
86.	Amusement Game Centres Subsidy Scheme
87.	Cinemas Subsidy Scheme
88.	Sports and Recreational Sites Subsidy Scheme
89.	Mahjong/Tin Kau Licence Holder Subsidy Scheme
90.	Places of Amusement Licence Holders Subsidy Scheme
91.	Further subsidy to commercial bathhouses

Measures	
Fifth-round AEF	
92.	Further Subsidy to Commercial Bathhouses
93.	Ex-gratia payment for the Cancellation of 2022 Lunar New Year Fairs, Lam Tsuen Fong Ma Po Traditional Festival Fair and Che Kung Festival Fair under the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department
94.	Ex-gratia Payment for the Cancellation of FarmFest 2022
95.	Ex-gratia payment for pet shops selling hamsters
96.	Subsidy Scheme for Beauty Parlours, Massage Establishments and Party Rooms 2022
97.	Cinemas Subsidy Scheme
98.	Fitness Centre and Sports Premises Subsidy Scheme
99.	Club-house Subsidy Scheme
100.	Places of Public Entertainment Licence Holder Subsidy Scheme
101.	Amusement Game Centres Subsidy Scheme
102.	Sports and Recreational Sites Subsidy Scheme
103.	Places of Amusement Licence Holders Subsidy Scheme
104.	Mahjong/Tin Kau Licence Holder Subsidy Scheme
105.	Ex-gratia payment to part-time instructor/staff/personnel affected by cancellation of sport & recreation and culture programmes organized by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department
106.	One-off grant to registered sports coaches
107.	Arts and Culture Sector Subsidy Scheme –Subsidy to performing arts groups
108.	Support for Child Care Centres
109.	Scheme on Relief Grants for Interest Class Instructors Hired by Subvented Non-governmental Welfare Organisations
110.	One-off Relief Grant for Private Schools Offering Non-formal Curriculum (PSNFCs)
111.	One-off grant to kindergartens and private day schools
112.	One-off relief grant to providers of catering services, providers of interest group and school bus services for schools
113.	Tourism Industry Additional Support Scheme (Additional round of further assistance)
114.	Additional subsidy for the aviation support services

Measures

Sixth-round AEF

115.	Commercial Bathhouse Licence Holders Subsidy Scheme
116.	Subsidy Scheme for Beauty Parlours, Massage Establishments and Party Rooms 2022
117.	Subsidy Scheme for Hair Salons and Barber Shops
118.	Cinemas Subsidy Scheme
119.	One-off Ex-gratia Payment for the Successful Commercial Stall Operators of Hong Kong Flower Show 2022
120.	Sport Premises Subsidy
121.	Fitness Centre Subsidy Scheme
122.	Club-house Subsidy Scheme
123.	Places of Public Entertainment Licence (PPEL) Holder Subsidy Scheme
124.	Amusement Game Centres Subsidy Scheme
125.	Sports and Recreational Sites Subsidy Scheme
126.	Places of Amusement Licence Holders Subsidy Scheme
127.	Mahjong/Tin Kau Licence Holder Subsidy Scheme
128.	Arts and Culture Sector Subsidy Scheme (Subsidy to performing arts groups)
129.	Support for Child Care Centres
130.	One-off Grant for Private Schools Offering Non-formal Curriculum (generally referred to as “Tutorial Schools”)
131.	One-off grant to kindergartens and private day schools
132.	One-off Relief Grant to Providers of Catering Services for Schools as well as Post-secondary Education Institutions
133.	Licensed Guesthouses Subsidy Scheme
134.	Subsidy to Non-profit-making Organisations Running Projects under the Revitalising Historic Buildings Through Partnership Scheme, PMQ and the Fly the Flyover Operation
135.	Arts and Culture Sector Subsidy Scheme (Rental support for tenants of Arts Spaces and Jockey Club Creative Arts Centre)
136.	Rental Support for Tenants at the Hong Kong Science Park, InnoParks and Cyberport
137.	Support to Shipyards Providing Repair Services to Cross-boundary Ferries
138.	Subsidies for fresh food wholesalers

Measures	
139.	Dishware washing trade subsidy scheme
140.	Anti-epidemic Subsidy Scheme for the Laundry Trade
141.	Subsidy to Employment Agencies
142.	Support cleansing and security staff engaged by Government, Hong Kong Housing Authority and Hong Kong Housing Society service contractors in anti-epidemic efforts
143.	Support for Airport Staff in Targeted Groups
144.	Special Allowance for Staff of Residential Care Homes for the Elderly (RCHEs) and Residential Care Homes for Persons with Disabilities (RCHDs)
145.	One-off grant to registered sports coaches
146.	Ex-gratia payment to part-time instructor/staff/personnel affected by cancellation of sport & recreation and culture programmes organized by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department
147.	Scheme on Relief Grants for Interest Class Instructors Hired by Subvented Non-governmental Welfare Organisations
148.	One-off relief grant to providers of interest group and school bus services for schools
149.	Support for the creative industries (Financial assistance to licensed pyrotechnics and special effects operators and self-employed/freelance film practitioners)
Measures approved by the AEF Steering Committee	
150.	Application of Anti-virus Coating for Residential Care Homes for the Elderly and Residential Care Homes for Persons with Disabilities
151.	Enhancing Support for Testing Service on COVID-19
152.	Training Subsidies for Employers of Engineering Graduates
153.	Anti-epidemic Subsidy Scheme for the Laundry Trade
154.	Subsidy Scheme for Employment Agencies
155.	Subsidy to vehicle maintenance workshops
156.	One-off Subsidy Scheme for the Dishware Washing Trade
157.	Special Subsidy to Chinese Gold and Silver Exchange (CGSE) members and practitioners registered with CGSE
158.	Further subsidy to cooked food tenants operating in public housing developments with hawker licences
159.	Installation of Gas Water Heaters at non-Quarantine units of Chun Yeung Estate
160.	Funding for Provision of about 2 000 Quarantine Units at Penny's Bay

Measures	
161.	Relocation and expansion of test and hold facilities of Department of Health
162.	Universal Community Testing Programme
163.	Pyrotechnics and Special Effects Operators Subsidy Scheme
164.	Tourism Industry Additional Support Scheme
165.	Financial Assistance to the Printing and Publishing Sector
166.	Mahjong/Tin Kau Licence Holder Subsidy Scheme
167.	Further Subsidy for Party Rooms and Pleasure Vessels
168.	Further subsidy to commercial bathhouses
169.	Club-house Subsidy Scheme
170.	Catering Business Subsidy Scheme (applicable to liquor licensed premises (with Bar Endorsement), karaoke establishments and nightclubs with restaurant licence)
171.	Designated Quarantine Facilities for Foreign Domestic Helpers
172.	Special Allowance for Staff of Residential Service Units Operated by Non-governmental Organisations
173.	One-off Relief Grant to Operators of Light Refreshment Kiosks, Fast Food Kiosks and Retail Outlets under the Leisure and Cultural Services Department
174.	Support for cleansing and security staff working at Hong Kong International Airport
175.	Support Cleansing and Security Staff Engaged by the Power Companies in Anti-epidemic Efforts
176.	Support Cleansing and Security Workers Engaged by Welfare Service Units operated by Non-governmental Organisations through their Service Contractors
177.	Special allowance to frontline cleansing staff who are drivers and assistants of drivers of waste/sewage collection vehicles
178.	Ex-gratia allowance to Public Rental Housing (PRH) applicants who have accepted advance allocation of the two public housing estates designated as isolation facilities
179.	Designated transport services for carrying COVID-19 patients to designated clinics and community isolation facilities, and for transporting inbound travellers from the airport to designated quarantine hotels
180.	Funding for Provision of Isolation, Treatment and Related Facilities
181.	Support for Implementation of Cargo Transfer Proposal in Hong Kong in Maintaining a Stable Supply of Goods from the Mainland
182.	Ex-gratia Allowance for Affected Households of Transitional Housing Project Converted into Community Isolation Facility

Measures	
183.	Anti-epidemic Support Scheme for Environmental Hygiene and Security Staff for premises under the Home and Youth Affairs Bureau's purview
184.	Home Support Supplies Delivery Services for Persons under Home Quarantine
185.	Support cleansing and security workers engaged by The Prince Philip Dental Hospital service contractors in anti-epidemic efforts
186.	Support Frontline Cleansing and Security Staff Engaged by Fish Marketing Organization (FMO), Vegetable Marketing Organization (VMO) and their Service Contractors in Anti-epidemic Efforts
187.	Support Cleansing and Security Workers working at Private Cemeteries and Licensed Funeral Parlours
188.	Support for Provision of Rapid Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Test Service for Cross-boundary Goods Vehicle (XBGV) Drivers at Land Boundary Control Points in Hong Kong