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By email

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Dear Ms LAM,

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

Further to our submission on 6 November 2020 of the progress report of the Anti-epidemic Fund (the Fund) as at 9 October 2020, the progress report of the Fund as at 29 January 2021 is attached at **Enclosure** for members' information.

Yours sincerely,

(Nick Au Yeung) For Chief Secretary for Administration

#### Enclosure

# **Progress Report of the Anti-epidemic Fund**

#### Purpose

This paper aims to report to the Legislative Council (LegCo) the implementation progress of the Anti-epidemic Fund (AEF) as at 29 January 2021.

# Background

2. In light of the development of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), the Government has been taking 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 operation, 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 antiepidemic measures. The Government subsequently thrice secured the FC's funding approval in April, September and December 2020 to implement further AEF measures.

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 shall operate 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, and members include all relevant Directors of Bureaux<sup>1</sup> responsible for implementing the major initiatives under the AEF.

## **Financial Position and Implementation Progress of the AEF**

4. Thus far, a total financial commitment of \$162.3 billion was approved by FC. As of 29 January 2021, 121 measures were approved under the AEF, with the total financial commitment amounting to over \$160 billion, and over \$140 billion of funding were deployed/disbursed, benefitting over 6.5 million persons<sup>2</sup> and over 800 000 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. The AEF also provides support to a wide spectrum of employees and needy groups including licenced 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 121 approved measures include:

- (a) 24 measures proposed under the enclosures of FCR(2019-20)46;
- (b) 33 measures proposed under the enclosures of FCR(2020-21)2;
- (c) 26 measures proposed under the enclosures of FCR(2020-21)71;
- (d) 19 measures proposed under the enclosures of FCR(2020-21)77; and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Membership of the Steering Committee includes: Chief Secretary for Administration (Chairman), Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development, Secretary for Development, Secretary for Education, Secretary for Food and Health, Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury, Secretary for Home Affairs Secretary for Innovation and Technology, Secretary for Labour and Welfare and Secretary for Transport and Housing

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In addition, the Government has distributed over 10 million pieces of CuMask+<sup>TM</sup> in total.

(e) 19 measures approved by the Steering Committee as proposed by the relevant bureaux/departments having regard to the development of the pandemic, views from various industry stakeholders and their actual business situation.

<u>Annex I</u> sets out the brief description and eligibility criteria of the above measures.

5. The Government has 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 two reports to LegCo, on 15 July 2020 and 6 November 2020 respectively, on the implementation progress of the AEF measures. This paper is the fourth report to the LegCo on the progress of the implementation of these measures. As of 29 January 2021, out of the 121 AEF measures, 57 have been completed. The progress of the 121 measures is set out at **Annex II**.

#### Conclusion

6. The relief measures, including those under the AEF and the 2020-21 Budget, involve over \$300 billion in total, which is about 11% of Hong Kong's GDP, and is expected to have a supporting effect of slightly more than 5 percentage points of GDP on our economy. The Government will continue with the implementation of the ongoing AEF measures. Meanwhile, the Steering Committee will continue to opitimise the remaining balance of the AEF based on the proposals put forth by the relevant bureaux/departments, having regard to the development of the pandemic, views from various industry stakeholders and their actual business situation.

# Chief Secretary for Administration's Office February 2021

# Anti-epidemic Fund (AEF) Eligibility criteria and brief description of measures

## 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	<ul> <li>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: <ul> <li>(a) having the production equipment in Hong Kong;</li> <li>(b) having the raw materials in Hong Kong;</li> <li>(c) having already in place or rented the production venue in Hong Kong;</li> <li>(d) having already in place, rented or hired a contractor to set up clean room facilities in Hong Kong; and</li> <li>(e) each production line being able to produce at least 500 000 masks per month.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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) will be eligible for a monthly allowance of \$1,000 for the months in which they have provided service. Each eligible building is subjected to a

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		cap of 100 headcounts. Depending on the types of buildings, PM companies/ owners' organisations 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 system and acquisition of additional manpower and related services to deal with the related monitoring work arising from the compulsory home quarantine arrangement.

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10.	Ex-gratia payment to eligible public rental housing (PRH) applicants who have accepted the advance allocation offers of Fai Ming Estate and Chun	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 2020.
	Yeung Estate	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.
		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.
		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.
11.	Retail Sector Subsidy Scheme	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).
		<ul> <li>To be eligible, an applicant must be:</li> <li>(a) conducting substantial and substantive retail business at a fixed physical and individually operated store in Hong Kong; and</li> <li>(b) running a business that has commenced before 1 January 2020 and is still in operation at the</li> </ul>

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		<ul> <li>Under the Scheme, eligible retail stores do not include the followings:</li> <li>(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;</li> <li>(b) hawkers (including licensed hawkers);</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(d) retail stores conducting non-store retailing via mail order, internet or direct marketing sales only.</li> </ul>
12.	Food Licence Holders Subsidy Scheme	<ul> <li>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 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.</li> <li>1. An applicant is required to fulfil the following criteria: <ul> <li>(a) the applicant holds a valid food business licence (full or provisional licence) of any one of</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>(a) the applicant holds a valid food business hechee (run of provisional hechee) of any one of the eight specified categories issued by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) on or before 14 February 2020; and</li> <li>(b) the licensed food premises are in operation on the date of submission of the application; and</li> </ul>
		<ul><li>(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</li><li>(d) the applicant holds the related valid licence in (a) above on the date of approval of the</li></ul>
		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).

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		<ul> <li>2. As an exceptional arrangement, an applicant who did not hold a related valid licence on 14 February 2020 may apply for the subsidy, provided that: <ul> <li>(a) where an application for transfer of licence was made on or before 14 February 2020:</li> <li>(i) the applicant is an approved transferee and the application for transfer was approved after 14 February 2020; and</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(iii) the applicant meets the criteria in items 1(b), 1(c) and 1(d) of the above.</li> </ul> </li> <li>(b) where a provisional licence held by the applicant in respect of the same premises has, irrespective of the expiry date, expired: <ul> <li>(i) the applicant is successful in obtaining a full licence before close of application for the subsidy; and</li> <li>(ii) the applicant meets the criteria in items 1(b), 1(c) and 1(d) of the above.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
13.	Subsidy for the transport sector	<ul> <li>Fuel Subsidy         <ul> <li>(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.</li> <li>(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.</li> <li>(c) To reimburse one-third of the actual fuel cost for petrol taxis and diesel PLBs between 1 July 2020 and 30 June 2021.</li> <li>(c) To reimburse one-third of the actual fuel cost for petrol taxis and diesel PLBs between 1 July 2020 and 30 June 2021.</li> </ul> </li> <li>One-off subsidy for various transport modes     <ul> <li>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:</li></ul></li></ul>

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		<ul> <li>(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 valid licence has been renewed (by the same registered owners) on or before 21 April 2020;</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(d) The registered owners of private cars with a valid hire car permit as at 21 February 2020.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Subsidising cross-boundary goods vehicle drivers to conduct nucleic acid test         <ul> <li>(a) To subsidise Hong Kong cross-boundary goods vehicle drivers on an accountable basis to conduct nucleic acid tests at local testing institutes recognized 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.</li> <li>(b) Fund the costs of nucleic acid tests provided for Hong Kong cross-boundary goods vehicle drivers at ports in Shenzhen and Zhuhai.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>One-off non-accountable subsidy of \$10,000 for local commercial mechanised vessels</li> <li>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:</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(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</li> </ul>

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		<ul> <li>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</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul>
		<b>One-off non-accountable subsidy of \$10,000 for local commercial non-mechanised vessels</b>
		for cargo operation or marine construction works
		<ul> <li>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:</li> <li>(a) A vessel which held a valid operating licence on 21 February 2020; or</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>One-off survey fee subsidy for local commercial vessels</li> <li>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:</li> <li>(a) A vessel which held a valid certificate of survey or certificate of inspection and a valid operating licence on 21 February 2020; or</li> </ul>

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		<ul> <li>(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</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul>
		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).
		One-off non-accountable subsidy of \$1 million for each eligible cross-boundary ferry vessel
		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.
		Extra subsidy to owners of local pleasure vessels let for hire or reward
		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.
14.	Convention and Exhibition Industry Subsidy Scheme	The Scheme aims to provide subsidy to the convention and exhibition (C&E) industry. It comprises two parts.
		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 and

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		AsiaWorld-Expo during the period starting from 3 October 2020 and ending on 31 December 2021 (both dates inclusive).
		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 (TDC). This part of the Scheme commenced on 30 November 2020 and will last until 31 December 2021.
15.	Special allowance for eligible Working Family Allowance (WFA) and Student Financial Assistance (SFA) households	WFA households 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.
		<b>SFA households</b> 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.
		For households eligible for the special allowance under both WFA and SFA, the amount payable will be the higher of the above two cases.
16.	Additional student grant for 2019/20 school year	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.
		Taking into account that there are some students who should meet the eligibility criteria stated

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		<ul> <li>in the above but attend other programmes owing to special circumstances, the following students are also eligible for the grant:</li> <li>(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 Department owing to special needs;</li> <li>(b) Newly arrived children attending the full-time Initiation Programme funded by the Education Bureau; and</li> <li>(c) Students taking full-time programmes for Secondary 3 school leavers offered by the Vocational Training Council.</li> </ul>
17.	Rental waivers for tenants at the Hong Kong Science Park, industrial estates and Cyberport	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.
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	<ul> <li>(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:</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(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.</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul>

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		<ul> <li>(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.</li> <li>(d) Vegetable/ freshwater fish/ hen egg/ fresh fruit wholesalers: The applicant must have to be conducting active fresh food wholesale business between 21 January 2020 to 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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Each eligible fresh food wholesalers will be provided with a subsidy of \$40,000. The</li> </ul>
		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).
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	<ul> <li>(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.</li> <li>(b) \$50 million was allocated to the Hong Kong Arts Development Council (HKADC) to</li> </ul>

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		<ul> <li>disburse subsidy to eligible arts groups/artists applying to the "Support Scheme for Arts &amp; Cultural Sector"<sup>1</sup>, including: <ul> <li>(i) Grant recipients of HKADC's 2019/20 Year Grant, Literary Arts Platform Project and Eminent Arts Group Scheme;</li> <li>(ii) Projects funded by HKADC;</li> <li>(iii) Arts projects not funded by HKADC; and</li> <li>(iv) Individual arts practitioners</li> </ul> </li> <li>(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.</li> <li>(d) Tenants of arts space run by HKADC and Jockey Club Creative Arts Centre were offered a rental waiver.</li> <li>(e) Subsidy was provided to Le French May Arts Festival.</li> </ul>
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 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 will be provided with a subsidy of \$80,000.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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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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.	Employment Support Scheme (ESS)	The 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 undertaking <sup>2</sup> (1) not to make redundancies during the subsidy period; and (2) to spend all the wage subsidies on paying wages to the employees.
		<b>Employers</b> 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 list <sup>3</sup> . 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.
		<ul> <li>and Industry Schemes) will be eligible to apply for wage subsidies in respect of the following categories of employees:</li> <li>(a) "regular employees" under the Master Trust Schemes and Industry Schemes for whom MPF mandatory contributions have been made by their employers; and</li> <li>(b) employees aged 65 or above under the Master Trust Schemes and Industry Schemes.</li> </ul>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 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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		Employers cannot apply for wage subsidies in respect of "casual employees" under the Master Trust Schemes and Industry Schemes.
		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.
		Employers cannot apply for subsidies under ESS in respect of the following types of employees whose wages are subsidised by the Government:
		(a) employees in government-funded organisations whose wages are fully funded by the Government; and
		<ul> <li>(b) dedicated employees engaged by outsourced government services contractors/ consultants to implement or deliver these contracts.</li> </ul>
		Self-employed persons (SEPs) 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.
		However, the following persons are not eligible for ESS:
		<ul> <li>(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 Subsidies under the "School Bus Service Providers"); and</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>(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</li> </ul>

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		the ESS subsidies as SEPs and, at the same time, the subsidies under the "Tour Service Coach Drivers (Mainly Serving Tourists) Support Scheme").
2.	Job Creation	\$6.6 billion has been earmarked under AEF for the creation of 30 000 time-limited jobs in the public and private sectors in the coming two years for people of different skill sets and academic qualifications.
		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.
3.	LAWTECH Fund	The Fund aims 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.
		The law firm or chamber with five or fewer practising lawyers as at 8 April 2020 and at the time of granting the subsidy will be given a reimbursement amount of up to \$50,000.
		The Department of Justice is actively exploring the development of the Hong Kong Legal Cloud, a state-of-the-art 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.
4.	COVID-19 Online Dispute Resolution Scheme	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 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

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		more prevalent, thereby strengthening Hong Kong's LawTech capability in the long run.
		<ul> <li>The Scheme covers:</li> <li>(a) any dispute arising out of or in relation to COVID-19 directly or indirectly;</li> <li>(b) the claim amount of the case is not more than \$500,000; and</li> <li>(c) either one of the parties to the dispute is a Hong Kong resident or company.</li> </ul>
5.	Subsidy for encouraging early deployment of 5G	<ul> <li>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:</li> <li>(a) 5G technology must be deployed and is the primary enabler in the project;</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(c) the project must demonstrate sufficient features and extents of innovation or cross-sectoral synergy.</li> </ul>
6.	Distance Business Programme (D-Biz Programme)	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.
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.

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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)	Catering OutletsEach catering outlet (namely, tuck shops, canteens or restaurants) at primary schools, secondaryschools, University Grants Committee-funded universities, the Vocational Training Council, andself-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 thefirst and second rounds of the AEF (other than the Employment Support Scheme).
		Lunch Box Suppliers 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.
		School Bus Service Providers Eligible school bus service providers, i.e. school bus drivers/school private light bus drivers/ 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

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		the industry's appeal and genuine operational needs of the sector.
		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.
		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 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.
		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).
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.
12.	Relief grants for freelance workers hired by subvented non-governmental welfare organisations to provide training and coaching for service users	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.

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		The applicants should not be beneficiaries of the measures listed in items 10 and 11 above in this table.
13.	Subsidy for the refuse transfer station account holders for transporting municipal solid waste	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.
14.	Subsidies for local primary producers	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.
		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).
		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 to 17 April 2020.
		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.

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	15.	Special subsidy to exchange participants and Securities and Futures Commission licensees	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.
			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.
	16.	Cash subsidy for individual licensees in the estate agency sector	<ul> <li>The following persons are eligible for a cash subsidy equal to 24-month licence fee of respective licences:</li> <li>(a) each individual licensee holding a valid licence (i.e. estate agent's licence (individual) or salesperson's licence) on 8 April 2020; and</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>(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.</li> </ul>
	17.	Subsidy for the passenger transport sector	<b>Reimbursement of regular repair and maintenance costs and insurance premium</b> 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.
			Wage subsidy to green minibus and local ferry operators 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 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.

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		Monthly subsidy of \$6,000 for 6 months for taxi and red minibus drivers 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.
		<ul> <li>The applicant for the monthly subsidy of \$6,000 for 6 months must:</li> <li>(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;</li> <li>(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 days<sup>4</sup>; and</li> <li>(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 January and 31 March 2020 to prove that the applicant had rented and driven the taxi or RMB for at least 8 days<sup>4</sup>; and</li> <li>(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 days<sup>5</sup>.</li> </ul>
		Applicants who can only meet the eligibility requirements (a) and (b) above can apply for a lump-sum subsidy of \$7,500.
		One-off subsidy for various transport modes(a) To provide a one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$30,000 to registered owners of each

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 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 such declarations for up to four drivers during this period.
 <sup>5</sup> 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 such declarations for up to four drivers during this period.

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		<ul> <li>licensed non-franchised public bus (NFB), school private light bus (SPLB) and hire car.</li> <li>Eligibility criteria are as follows: <ul> <li>(i) the registered owners have to hold a valid vehicle licence of NFBs or SPLBs as at 8 April 2020; or</li> <li>(ii) the registered owners who did not hold a valid licence of the NFBs or SPLBs as at 8</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>April 2020 are also eligible provided that the vehicle licence has been renewed (by the same registered owners) on or before 7 July 2020; or</li> <li>(iii) the registered owners of private cars with a valid hire car permit as at 8 April 2020.</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul>
		(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.
		<u>One-off subsidy for kaito operators</u> 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.
18.	<ul> <li>Providing relief to creative industries</li> <li>(a) Cinemas Subsidy Scheme;</li> <li>(b) Subsidy to PMQ tenants; and</li> <li>(c) Printing and Publishing Sector Subsidy Scheme</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>(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 subsidy is capped at \$3 million per circuit;</li> <li>(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 \$7.5 million to PMQ to reduce 75% of the rental of all tenants from January to March 2021;</li> </ul>

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		<ul> <li>and</li> <li>(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 coming Hong Kong Book Fair (which has been rescheduled to be held in July 2021) capped at \$100,000 per local exhibitor and \$10,000 per non-local exhibitor.</li> </ul>
19.	Tourism Industry Support Schemes	<b>Travel Agents and Practitioners Support Scheme</b> 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 escorts <sup>6</sup> will be provided with a subsidy of \$5,000 for six months.
		Hotel Sector Support Scheme 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).
		<b>Tour Service Coach Drivers (Mainly Serving Tourists) Support Scheme</b> 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 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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		<u>Support for cruise industry</u> To waive the monthly fixed rent and management fees for the operator of Kai Tak Cruise Terminal for ten months until 31 March 2021, and to provide refund of berth deposits to cruise lines for cancelled ship calls during the suspension of immigration service.
20.	Relief measures for construction sector	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.
		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 \$20,000 <sup>7</sup> .
		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.
21.	Subsidy to operators of Revitalising Historic Buildings Through Partnership Scheme, PMQ and Fly the Flyover Operation	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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> 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 amount of one-off subsidy at the higher level of \$20,000 each.

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22.	Subsidy for the aviation sector	Aircraft registered in Hong Kong by the Air Operator's Certificate (AOC) holders with AOC valid as at 1 April 2020 for no less than six months will provided with a one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$1 million per large aircraft and \$200,000 per small aircraft. The aircraft should have a valid Certificate of Airworthiness as at 1 April 2020. In addition, aviation support services and cargo facility operators at the Hong Kong International Airport 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.
23.	Catering Business (Social Distancing) Subsidy Scheme	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 upfront in two tranches. In addition, the scheme will also provide a one-off subsidy of \$50,000 to 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.
		<ul> <li>1. An applicant is required to fulfil the following criteria: <ul> <li>(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</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(d) the food business licence (full or provisional licence) must be valid throughout the whole</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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		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.
		<ul> <li>2. As an exceptional arrangement, an applicant not holding a food business licence on 29 February 2020 may apply for the subsidy, provided that:</li> <li>(a) in case of a transfer of licence of one of the four specified categories was made on or before 29 February 2020:</li> </ul>
		<ul><li>(i) the application was approved after 29 February 2020, and the applicant is the approved transferee after 29 February 2020; and</li><li>(ii) no subsidy has been granted by FEHD under this subsidy scheme to the original</li></ul>
		<ul> <li>licence holder in respect of the licence transferred; and</li> <li>(iii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items (1)(b), (1)(c) and (1)(d).</li> <li>(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:</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>(i) the applicant is successful in obtaining a full licence before close of application for the subsidy (i.e. 5 June 2020); and</li> <li>(ii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in paragraph (1)(b), (1)(c) and (1)(d).</li> </ul>
		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.
		Those who are eligible but have not submitted any applications 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.

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		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.
		<ol> <li>An applicant is required to fulfil the following criteria:         <ul> <li>(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</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul> </li> <li>As an exceptional arrangement, an applicant not holding a food business licence on 29 February 2020 may apply for the subsidy, provided that:         <ul> <li>(a) in case of a transfer of licence of one of the four specified categories was made on or before 29 February 2020:             <ul> <li>(i) the application was approved after 29 February 2020, and the applicant is the</li> </ul> </li> </ul></li></ol>
		<ul> <li>(i) the upplication was uppliced after 25 reordary 2020; and</li> <li>(ii) no subsidy has been granted by FEHD under this subsidy scheme to the original licence holder in respect of the licence transferred; and</li> </ul>

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		<ul> <li>(iii)the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items (1)(b), (1)(c) and (1)(d).</li> <li>(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> <li>(i) the applicant is successful in obtaining a full licence before close of application for the subsidy (i.e. 14 September 2020); and</li> <li>(ii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in paragraph (1)(b), (1)(c) and (1)(d).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
24.	Amusement Game Centres Subsidy Scheme	<ul> <li>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:</li> <li>(a) be either one of the following:</li> <li>(i) a holder of an AGC licence that is valid for any period within the above specified period;</li> <li>(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;</li> <li>(iii) the applicant for an AGC exemption for e-sports operation; or</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul>
25.	Commercial bathhouses Subsidy Scheme	<ol> <li>Licence holder of a commercial bathhouse fulfilling the following criteria will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$100,000:         <ul> <li>(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</li> <li>(b) no application for transfer, voluntary surrender or cancellation of licence in respect of</li> </ul> </li> </ol>

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		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.
		2. As an exceptional arrangement, an applicant not holding a valid CBL on 28 March 2020 may apply for the subsidy, provided that:
		(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	<ul> <li>Fitness centres meeting the following requirements will be granted a one-off subsidy of \$100,000:</li> <li>(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</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>(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).</li> </ul>
		Fitness centres in residential clubhouses or private clubs and facilities operated by holders of private recreational leases are not covered by the Scheme.
27.	Places of Amusement Licence Holders Subsidy Scheme	<ul> <li>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:</li> <li>(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</li> </ul>

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		<ul> <li>2020; and</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(c) the applicant holds the related valid licence in (i) above on the date of approval of the application.</li> </ul>
28.	Place of Public Entertainment Licence (PPEL) Holder Subsidy Scheme	Places of public entertainment have been ordered to close for a period from end March to early May 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 \$100,000 and \$20,000 respectively will be provided to each of the eligible PPEL and TPPEL holders.
29.	Mahjong / Tin Kau Licence Holder Subsidy Scheme	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.
30.	Subsidy Scheme for Beauty Parlours, Massage Establishments and Party Rooms	<ul> <li>Each eligible Beauty Palour and Massage Establishment will receive a one-off subsidy depending on its number of workers:</li> <li>1 to 2 workers: Subsidy of \$30,000</li> <li>3 to 4 workers: Subsidy of \$60,000</li> <li>5 or more workers: Subsidy of \$100,000</li> </ul>

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		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.
		Eligibility criteria for beauty parlours and massage establishments
		1. An eligible premises should provide at least one of the following services as its main business:
		(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;
		(g) Foot reflexology; and/or
		<ul> <li>(h) Other beauty, care, prettifying and/or massage service on any part of the body.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>
		2. The applicant operates its business independently at a fixed location in Hong Kong.
		<ol> <li>The applicant operates its business independently at a fixed location in Hong Rong.</li> <li>The relevant premises and services of the applicant should be in operation before 10 April 2020.</li> </ol>
		4. The relevant premises is not eligible for other premises-based subsidy schemes under second-round AEF, e.g. bathhouses, clubhouses or fitness centres.
		Each party room will receive a one-off subsidy of \$40,000.
		Eligibility criteria for party rooms
		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;
		<ul><li>(b) the relevant premises should be a standalone venue at a fixed location in Hong Kong;</li><li>(c) prior booking is necessary and no walk-in customer is to be entertained for use of the</li></ul>

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		<ul> <li>premises; and</li> <li>(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.</li> <li>2. The relevant premises should have commenced business before 28 March 2020.</li> <li>3. The following premises are not eligible: <ul> <li>(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, places of public entertainment, schools, training centres, gymnasiums, business/secretarial services centres and co-working space;</li> <li>(b) Premises is a carrier that can be used for transport (e.g. buses, trams and sea vessels); and</li> <li>(c) Premises that is eligible for other premises-based subsidy scheme under the second-round AEF, e.g. clubhouses.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
31.	Club-house Subsidy Scheme	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>A further subsidy of \$50,000 will be provided to holders of CoC issued under Cap. 376 for clubhouses with a karaoke establishments permit issued by the Office of the Licensing Authority.</li> </ul>
32.	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 23 March 2020 will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$100,000 to each affected site.

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<u>Item</u> 33.	Measures         A 20% fare concession of MTR and temporary relaxation of the monthly threshold of the Public Transport Fare Subsidy Scheme (PTFSS)	Eligibility/Brief DescriptionA 20% fare concession of MTRThe MTR Corporation Limited shall provide 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 will bear half of the expenditure involved for the abovementioned fare 
		<b>Scheme (PTFSS)</b> The Government will temporarily relax the monthly threshold of the PTFSS from \$400 to \$20 from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021. During the 12-month period, the Government will provide subsidy amounting to one-third of the monthly public transport expenses in excess of \$20 subject to a maximum of \$400 per month per Octopus. Neither application nor prior registration

## Table III. Measures under third-round AEF

Item	Measures	Eligibility/Brief Description
1.	Quarantine centres for residents of residential care homes for the elderly and residential care homes for persons with disabilities	The Social Welfare Department has since April 2020 set up and operate three quarantine centres and arrange 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.
		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.
2.	Quarantine facilities	To ensure that adequate quarantine facilities are in place for quarantine of close contacts of confirmed cases, the Government will engage 2-3 hotels (providing a total of up to 1 000 guestrooms) to serve as designated quarantine facilities to accommodate people who are required to serve 14-day compulsory quarantine, and provide financial support to the new quarantine centres in Penny's Bay (providing around 3 500 quarantine units) from September 2020 to March 2021.
		As the rapid test of COVID-19 was introduced at the airport on 24 December 2020, there was no operational need for Rambler Garden Hotel in Tsing Yi to continue serving as a Holding Center for Test Result. As such, Rambler Garden Hotel has been converted to a quarantine hotel for close contacts on 27 December 2020, providing up to 700 rooms.

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3.	Subsidy scheme for the promotion of contactless payment in public markets	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.
		<ul> <li>All stall tenants in FEHD/HKHA markets (including wet market stalls and cooked food stalls) will be eligible for the subsidy, provided that:</li> <li>(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;</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Disbursement of subsidy will be made to the tenants subject to the following:</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul>
4.	Catering Business Subsidy Scheme	<ul> <li>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:</li> <li>(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</li> </ul>

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		<ul><li>(FEHD) markets, as well as coordinate operating in public housing developments</li><li>Each holder of the four types of relevant types of relevant types of the four types of the types of types of the types of types</li></ul>	I tenants in Food and Environmental Hygiene Department oked food stall tenants holding a hawker licence and opments. ant food licences (in (a)) which is in operation is eligible area of its premises, as set out in the table below:
		Licensed area	Level of subsidy
		Not exceeding 100m <sup>2</sup>	\$50,000
		$>100m^2 - 200m^2$	\$100,000
		$>200 \text{m}^2 - 400 \text{m}^2$	\$150,000
		$>400m^2 - 700m^2$	\$200,000
		>700m <sup>2</sup>	\$250,000
		<ul> <li>provisional licence) of any one</li> <li>(b) the related food business licer date of submission of the appli</li> <li>(c) no application for transfer, vol in respect of the licensed food of submission of the application</li> <li>(d) the applicant holds the related application (if the application for the provisional licent (e) the applicant is not subject to</li> </ul>	he following criteria: ore 30 June 2020 a valid food business licence (full or e of the four targeted categories; ince is valid and the food business is in operation on the ication and on the date of approval of the application; funtary surrender or cancellation of food business licence premises is under processing in the period from the date on to the date of approval of the application; valid licence in (a) above on the date of approval of the for subsidy is submitted in respect of a provisional licence provisional licence is less than one month on the date of e related full licence has to be obtained either before the ce or close of application for the subsidy); and any bankruptcy or winding up procedure/ proceedings/ ation and thereafter up to the grant of subsidy.

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		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:
		<ul> <li>(a) in the case of a transfer of licence of one of the four targeted categories was made on or before 30 June 2020:</li> <li>(i) the application was approved after 30 June 2020, and the applicant is the approved transferee;</li> <li>(ii) no subsidy has been granted by FEHD under this Subsidy Scheme to the original</li> </ul>
		licence holder in respect of the licence transferred ; and (iii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items (1)(b), (1)(c), 1(d) and 1(e) 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><li>(i) the applicant is successful in obtaining a full licence before close of application for the subsidy (i.e. 12 November 2020); and</li></ul>
		(ii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items (1)(b), (1)(c), 1(d) and 1(e) above.
		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.
		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.
		<ul><li>To be eligible for the subsidy, a market tenant has to meet the following criteria:</li><li>(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;</li></ul>
		(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

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		<ul> <li>of the application and has not been offered any rental waiver by FEHD in this regard; and</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>To be eligible for the subsidy, a licensed hawker has to meet the following criteria:</li> <li>(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;</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul>
5.	Tourism Industry Support Scheme	Financial relief to licensed travel agents and their staffEach 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.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.

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		<b>Financial relief to freelance accredited tourist guides and tour escorts</b> 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.
		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 2.0 <sup>8</sup> .
		<b><u>Financial relief to tour service coach drivers</u></b> Each eligible tour service coach driver will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$6,700.
		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 2.0 <sup>9</sup> .
6.	Subsidy Scheme for Beauty Parlours, Massage Establishments and Party Rooms (Second Round)	<ul> <li>Each eligible beauty parlour and massage establishment will receive a one-off subsidy depending on its number of workers:</li> <li>1 to 2 workers: Subsidy of \$15,000</li> <li>3 to 4 workers: Subsidy of \$30,000</li> <li>5 or more workers: Subsidy of \$50,000</li> </ul>
		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.
		<ul> <li><u>Eligibility criteria for beauty parlours and massage establishments</u></li> <li>The applicant provides one or more of the following services for non-medical purposes as</li> </ul>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> See footnote [6].

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> 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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		its main business at its business premises:
		(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).
		<ol> <li>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).</li> </ol>
		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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		Each eligible party room will receive a one-off subsidy of \$20,000.
		<ul> <li>Eligibility criteria for party rooms</li> <li>1. The applicant should be: <ul> <li>(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);</li> <li>(b) Prior booking for use of the premises is necessary and no walk-in customer is to be</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>entertained for use of the premises; and</li> <li>(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> </ul>
		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.
		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).
		7. The premises of the applicant is not a carrier that can be used for transport (e.g. buses, trams

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		<ul> <li>or sea vessels).</li> <li>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).</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>
7.	Subsidy Scheme for the Transport and Aviation Sector	<ul> <li>One-off subsidies to vehicles, cross-boundary ferries and aircrafts         <ul> <li>(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, school private light bus, and hire car<sup>10</sup>.</li> <li>(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 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.</li> <li>(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").</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
		One-off subsidy to aviation support services operators at the Hong Kong International Airport (HKIA)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 at the HKIA based on their staff size. A subsidy of \$1.5 million

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> The Transport Department is formulating the eligibility criteria for the subsidy and will announce the details in due course.

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		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.
8.	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	<b>Catering Outlets</b> 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.
		Lunch Box Suppliers 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.
		<b>School Bus Service Providers</b> 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.
		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

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		subsidy of \$13,400 per CBSC will be provided for eligible nannies, and the maximum amount of subsidy for each nanny is \$6,700.
		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.
		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 during periods of class suspension and cessation of on-campus activities and are in the respective trades at the time of the application.
9.	Support for Child Care Centres (CCCs)	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

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		before, or have only commenced operation after 15 Jan The amount of grant per CCC will be based on the size of as at 5 October 2020, and is set at a full-day rate at \$2,0 enrolled child per month or the approved monthly fee, w	of its enrolment (i.e. number of children) 00 and a half-day rate at \$1,000 for each
10.	Fitness Centre Subsidy Scheme	<ul> <li>Fitness centres meeting the following requirements will <ul> <li>(a) possessed a fixed address and individually-operal principal and substantive business is to provide a premises for use, or to provide advice and instruimproving physical fitness, including bodybuilding and martial arts; and</li> <li>(b) have commenced business before 15 July 2020 and and Control of Disease (Requirements and Direction (Cap. 599F).</li> </ul> </li> <li>Fitness centres which are ineligible for the scheme inclus; <ul> <li>(b) operated by holders of private recreational leases; of (c) that have received grant from other subsidy scheme</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	ted premises in Hong Kong where its exercise machines or equipment on the uction on, training for or assistance in g, dancing, yoga, pilates, body stretching d have closed pursuant to the Prevention ons) (Business and Premises) Regulation ude those:
11.	One-off Grant to KGs and Private Schools	A one-off grant will be provided to all kindergartens (K day schools with the rate as follows:	KGs) and private primary and secondary
		Categories of KGs/schools	Rate
		(i) KGs Long whole day <sup>11</sup> :	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> 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.

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		• 33 or less students	\$60,000	
		• More than 33 students	\$80,000	
		Kindergartens joining the Kindergarten Education Scheme (Scheme-KGs) with whole day session:		
		• 33 or less students	\$50,000	
		• More than 33 students	\$70,000	
		Scheme-KGs (half day) only	\$30,000	
		Non-Scheme KGs	\$40,000	
		(ii) Private primary and secondary day schools <sup>12</sup>	\$40,000	
12.	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) 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.		
13.	One-off Grant to Registered Sports Coaches	Sports coaches registered under National Sports Associations or rewho had provided coaching services since 1 April 2019 to 30 Sept off grant of \$5,000.		
14.	Club-house Subsidy Scheme	Existing holders of Certificates of Compliance issued under the Ordinance (Cap. 376) with validity falling within the period strelevant directions issued pursuant to the Prevention and Control Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F) are in of \$50,000.	ince 11 July 2020, when the of Disease (Requirements and	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> 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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		An additional subsidy of \$25,000 will be provided to those who also operate karaoke establishments, nightclubs or bars/pubs in their club-house premises.
15.	Sports Premises Subsidy Scheme	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.
16.	Scheme on Relief Grants for Interest Class Instructors Hired by Subvented Non-governmental Welfare Organisations	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.
17.	Arts and Culture Sector Subsidy Scheme - Subsidy to individual arts practitioners and freelancers	table. 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.
18.	Places of Public Entertainment Licence (PPEL) Holder Subsidy Scheme	Places of public entertainment have been ordered to close for a period from mid-July to mid- September 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

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		application) or temporary PPEL ("TPPEL") that is valid for any period from mid-July to mid-September 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.
19.	Amusement Game Centres Subsidy Scheme	<ul> <li>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:</li> <li>(a) be either one of the following: <ul> <li>(i) a holder of an AGC licence that is valid for any period within the above specified period;</li> <li>(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;</li> <li>(iii) the applicant for an AGC exemption for e-sports operation; or</li> <li>(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;</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul></li></ul>
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

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		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 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.
25.	Places of Amusement Licence Holders Subsidy Scheme	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:

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		<ul> <li>(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;</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul>
26.	Further Subsidy to Commercial Bathhouses	Licence holder of a commercial bathhouse fulfilling the following criteria will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$50,000:
		<ol> <li>An applicant is required to fulfil the following criteria:         <ul> <li>(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;</li> <li>(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;</li> <li>(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;</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>

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		<ul> <li>(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;</li> <li>(b) no subsidy has been granted by FEHD under this Subsidy Scheme to the original licence holder in respect of the concerned licence; and</li> <li>(c) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items (1)(b), (1)(c), (1)(d) and (1)(e) above.</li> </ul>

## Table IV: Measures under fourth-round AEF

Item	Measures		Eligibility/B	rief Description
1.	Catering Business Subsidy Scheme		<b>1</b>	ring outlets carrying on a business to sell or supply
			r consumption on their premises. Subsi	
				mises-based food licences in operation, including
		· · ·	general restaurant licence, (11) light refr ence, and (iv) factory canteen licence; a	eshment restaurant licence, (iii) marine restaurant
			•	in Food and Environmental Hygiene Department
		<b>`</b>	EHD) markets, as well as cooked food st public housing developments.	all tenants holding a hawker licence and operating
				licences (in (a)) which is in operation is eligible its premises, as set out in the table below:
			isonay according to the needsed area of	
			Licensed area	Level of subsidy
			Not exceeding 100m <sup>2</sup>	\$100,000
			$>100m^2 - 200m^2$	\$200,000
			$>200 \text{m}^2 - 400 \text{m}^2$	\$300,000
			$>400 \text{m}^2 - 700 \text{m}^2$	\$400,000
			>700m <sup>2</sup>	\$500,000
			applicant is required to fulfil the follow	
		(a)		cember 2020 a valid food business licence (full or
		(1-)	provisional licence) of any one of the	
		(b)		valid and the food business is in operation on the
		(c)		and on the date of approval of the application; surrender or cancellation of food business licence
				es is under processing in the period from the date
			of submission of the application to th	e date of approval of the application;

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		<ul> <li>(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);</li> <li>(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</li> </ul>
		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:
		(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 -
		(i) the application was approved after 8 December 2020, and the applicant is the approved transferee;
		<ul> <li>(ii) no subsidy has been granted by FEHD under this Subsidy Scheme to the original licence holder in respect of the licence transferred; and</li> </ul>
		(iii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items (1)(b), (1)(c),1(d) and 1(e) 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:
		(i) the applicant is successful in obtaining a full licence before close of application (i.e. 28 January 2021) for the subsidy; and
		(ii) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in item $(1)(b)$ , $(1)(c)$ , $1(d)$ and $1(e)$ above.
		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.
		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.

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		<ul> <li>To be eligible for the subsidy, a market tenant has to meet the following criteria:</li> <li>(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;</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>(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 December2020 and still holds a valid Hawker Licence at the time of approval of the application;</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul>
2.	Subsidy Scheme for Beauty Parlours, Massage Establishments and Party Rooms	<ul> <li>Each eligible beauty parlour and massage establishment will receive a one-off subsidy depending on its number of workers:</li> <li>1 to 2 workers: Subsidy of \$30,000</li> <li>3 to 4 workers: Subsidy of \$60,000</li> <li>5 or more workers: Subsidy of \$100,000</li> </ul>

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		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.
		Eligibility criteria for beauty parlours and massage establishments
		1. The applicant provides one or more of the following services for non-medical purposes as
		its main business at its business premises:
		(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 and
		premises providing consultation or medical services 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 10 December 2020.
		4. The premises of the applicant has suspended operations pursuant to the Government order since 10 December 2020 (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,

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		<ul> <li>guesthouses, clubhouses).</li> <li>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).</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>
		Each eligible party room will receive a one-off subsidy of \$40,000.
		<ul> <li>Eligibility criteria for party rooms</li> <li>1. The applicant should be: <ul> <li>(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> <li>(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> <li>(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> </ul> </li> </ul>
		<ol> <li>The applicant operates its business independently in a standalone venue at a fixed location in Hong Kong.</li> <li>The premises and services of the applicant should have been in operation before 22</li> </ol>
		November 2020.
		4. The premises of the applicant has suspended operations pursuant to the Government order since 22 November 2020 (An applicant whose premises has violated the closure order will

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		<ul> <li>be considered ineligible under the Scheme).</li> <li>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> <li>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).</li> <li>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).</li> <li>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).</li> <li>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.</li> <li>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 would be eligible to receive the subsidy.</li> </ul>
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	Catering Outlets 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.

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		<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.
		<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.
		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.
		Applicants cannot concurrently apply for subsidy from any other scheme under the current round of AEF.
		<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 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.

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		<ul> <li>Applicants cannot concurrently apply for subsidy from any other scheme under the current round of AEF.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>
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. the amount of grant per CCC will be based on the size of its enrolment (i.e. number of children) as at 2 November 2020, and is set 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.
5.	Fitness Centre and Sports Premises Subsidy Scheme	Fitness Centres         Fitness centres meeting the following requirements will be granted a one-off subsidy of \$100,000:         (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         (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).

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				res which are ineligible for the scheme include those:		
				in residential clubhouses or private clubs,		
				d by holders of private recreational leases, or		
		(c) that	at hav	re received grant from other subsidy schemes under the	ns round of AEF.	
		<b>Sports</b>	Pren	nises		
				f sports premises providing indoor or outdoor sporting	g activities (whether on la	and or
				have suspended operation with the introduction of		
		<b>^</b>	•	the directions issued under Cap. 599F with effect from	n 10 December 2020 is el	igible
		for a of	ne-on	f subsidy of \$100,000.		
6.	One-off grant to kindergartens and private schools	A one-off grant will be provided to all kindergartens (KGs) and private primary and secondary day schools with the rate as follows:				
			Cat	egories of KGs/schools	Rate	
			(i)	KGs		
				Long whole day <sup>13</sup> :		
				• 33 or less students	\$120,000	
				• More than 33 students	\$160,000	
				KGs joining the Kindergarten Education Scheme (Scheme-KGs) with whole day session:		
				• 33 or less students	\$100,000	
				• More than 33 students	\$140,000	
				Scheme-KGs (half day) only	\$60,000	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> 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.

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Item	Measures	Eligibility/Brief Description		
		Non-Scheme KGs	\$80,000	
		(ii) Private primary and secondary day schools <sup>14</sup>	\$80,000	
7.	One-off grant to private schools offering non-formal curriculum	All private schools offering non-formal curriculum (PSNFCs) Financial Assistance Scheme for Designated Evening Adult H registered under the Education Ordinance (Cap. 279) that are in o are eligible for a one-off relief grant of \$40,000.	Education Courses (FAEAEC)	
8.	Club-house Subsidy Scheme	Existing holders of Certificates of Compliance (CoC) issued under the Clubs Premises) Ordinance (Cap. 376) with validity falling within the period since 26 Nove when the relevant directions issued pursuant to the Prevention and Control (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F) are eligible for a subsidy of \$100,000.		
		An additional subsidy of \$50,000 will be provided to holders of establishments, nightclubs or bars/pubs in their club-house prem		
9.	One-off grant to registered sports coaches	Sports coaches registered under National Sports Associations or 1 who had provided coaching services since 1 April 2019 to 31 Dec off grant of \$7,500.		
10.	Scheme on Relief Grants for Interest Class Instructors Hired by Subvented Non-governmental Welfare Organisations	Interest class instructors who are beneficiaries of the similar s Department (SWD) under the second-and/or third-round AEF (i.d in Table II and item 16 listed in Table III above respectively), hav of the continued suspension of service under the persistent epide	e. the measure of item 12 listed re lost further income as a result	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Including international schools, Private Independent Schools and other private primary and secondary day schools offering formal curriculum.

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		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.
		The applicants should not be beneficiaries of the measures listed in items 3 and 9 above in this table.
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 difficulty under the pandemic. The following staff are entitled to receive the ex-gratia payment -

Item	Measures	Eligibility/Brief Description
		<ul> <li>(b) Speakers and storytellers who are engaged by LCSD libraries to conduct programmes from 2 December 2020 to 31 January 2021 that are recently cancelled due to the closure of public libraries; and</li> <li>(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 recent closure of performance venues.</li> </ul>
13.	Places of Public Entertainment Licence (PPEL) Holder Subsidy Scheme	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.
14.	Amusement Game Centres Subsidy Scheme	<ul> <li>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:</li> <li>(a) be either one of the following: <ul> <li>(i) a holder of an AGC licence that is valid for any period within the above specified period;</li> <li>(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;</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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		<ul> <li>(iii) the applicant for an AGC exemption for e-sports operation; or</li> <li>(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;</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul>
15.	Cinemas Subsidy Scheme	A one-off subsidy of \$100,000 per screen will be provided 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.
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

Item	Measures	Eligibility/Brief Description
		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	<ul> <li>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:</li> <li>(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);</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul>
19.	Further subsidy to commercial bathhouses	<ul> <li>Licence holder of a commercial bathhouse fulfilling the following criteria will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$100,000:</li> <li>1. An applicant is required to fulfil the following criteria: <ul> <li>(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;</li> <li>(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;</li> <li>(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;</li> <li>(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)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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		<ul> <li>(Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F) by which a bathhouse was ordered to be closed; and</li> <li>(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.</li> <li>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: <ul> <li>(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;</li> <li>(b) no subsidy has been granted by FEHD under this Subsidy Scheme to the original licence holder in respect of the concerned licence; and</li> <li>(c) the applicant meets the eligibility criteria in items (1)(b), (1)(c), (1)(d) and (1)(e) above.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

## Table V. Measures approved by the AEF Steering Committee

Item	Measures	Eligibility/Brief Description
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. A total of 1 064 applications were received (from 742 RCHEs and 322 RCHDs), which represent about 98% of the 1089 invited homes.
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. It is expected that up to 2 400 additional tests will be carried out per day in the public sector.
3.	Training Subsidies for Employers of Engineering Graduates Council	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	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.
		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.
5.	Subsidy Scheme for Employment Agencies	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.
		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.
		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.

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6.	100% Credit Limit Top-Up Scheme	The Scheme commenced on 8 June 2020 and was originally scheduled to run for six months until 8 December 2020. To continue providing enhanced support to exporters, the Scheme has been extended for six months to 8 June 2021. Under the Scheme, the Hong Kong Export Credit Insurance Corporation 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.	
7.	Subsidy to vehicle maintenance workshop	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"). 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.	
8.	One-off Subsidy Scheme for the Dishware Washing Trade	<ul> <li>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:</li> <li>(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);</li> <li>(b) commercial automated dishwashing machine(s) has/have been installed on the dishware washing premises on or before 31 March 2020;</li> <li>(c) carry on a dishware washing business and provide dishware washing services to at least two food business customers;</li> </ul>	

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		<ul> <li>(d) provide at least one water bill issued by the Water Supplies Department in the second half of 2019;</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul>		
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	<ul> <li>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:</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul>		
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		

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		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.		
		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.		
		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 school teachers, staff of restaurants and bars, and designated frontline employees of Kwai Tsing Container Terminals. New targeted groups including foreign domestic helpers and workers from construction sites have been added.		
		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 188 specimen collection packs distribution points (namely designated general outpatient clinics of the Hospital Authority, 121 post offices, and vending machines at 20 MTR stations) and 83 collection points. The above three channels can distribute over 40 000 specimen collection packs per day, while the 19 Community Testing Centres also have a total daily capacity of more than 20 000 tests.		
13.	Funding for Provision of about 2 000 Quarantine Units at Penny's Bay	2 000 units will be constructed 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, a holding hotel with higher capacity had been engaged		

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		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.	
Scheme       Each eligible licensed travnumber of staff members <sup>12</sup> with 10 staff members or lagents with 11 staff members they have, using Each eligible travel agents are the statement of the staff members are the statement of the st		<ul> <li>Financial relief to licensed travel agents and their staff</li> <li>Each eligible licensed travel agent will be provided with a one-off cash subsidy based on the number of staff members<sup>15</sup> 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 \$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.</li> <li>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</li> </ul>	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> 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 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 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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		Ordinance (Cap. 218). Eligible travel agents' staff are those employed by an eligible travel agent on 31 March 2020.		
		<b>Financial relief to freelance accredited tourist guides and tour escorts</b> 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.		
		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.		
		<b>Financial relief to tour service coach drivers</b> Each eligible tour service coach driver will be provided with a one-off subsidy of \$6,700.		
		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.		
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 China to undergo the compulsory quarantine at designated quarantine hotels, with a view to further reducing their contact with the local community.		
		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.		
		Since the implementation of the Scheme, the Government has been deploying dedicated staff to		

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		inspect the designated quarantine hotels to ensure the Government's requirements are complied with.		
19.	Greater Bay Area Youth Employment Scheme	The Scheme will provide 2 000 places, of which about 700 are innovation and technology posts, for graduates who have obtained, or will obtain, 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.		
		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.		

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## Anti-epidemic Fund Progress of Implementation (Position as at 29 January 2021)

## Table 1. Progress under the first-round Anti-epidemic Fund (AEF)

Item	Measure	Estimated Expenditure (\$M)	Estimated No. of Beneficiaries	Implementation progress
1.	Enhancing support to the Hospital Authority (HA) for combating the epidemic Policy Bureau: Food and Health Bureau Implementation: Hospital Authority	4,700	HA's staff and patients of public hospitals	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>The HA would flexibly deploy the additional resources on various fronts including: <ul> <li>(a) personnel-related expenditure for frontline staff involved in anti-epidemic efforts;</li> <li>(b) procuring additional personal protective equipment (PPE) and other necessary accessories for healthcare staff;</li> <li>(c) offering special rental allowance (SRA) to staff who need to rent hotel rooms or other premises for temporary stay and temporary accommodation arrangements;</li> <li>(d) enhancing support for laboratory testing and procuring drug and medical equipment; and</li> <li>(e) hospital support services and supplies etc.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
				The HA announced on 24 February 2020 the introduction of the Special Emergency Response Allowance (SERA) to provide recognition to frontline staff engaging in high risk duties, with retrospective effect from the activation of the

Item	Measure	Estimated Expenditure (\$M)	Estimated No. of Beneficiaries	Implementation progress
				Emergency Response Level in public hospitals since 25 January 2020. As of end-January 2021, around \$4,017 million has been utilised by the HA on different areas of its anti-epidemic work, including around \$1,760 million for personnel related expenditure including SERA and SRA; around \$1,991 million for purchasing PPE, drugs and medical equipment, and spending on enhancing support for laboratory testing; and around \$266 million for other expenses such as hospital supplies and other support services.
2.	Support local mask productionPolicy Bureau: Commerce and Economic Development BureauImplementation: Hong Kong Productivity Council	1,100	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. As of end-January 2021, capital subsidy of around \$14.6 million has been disbursed to the grantees, and around 289 million masks have been delivered to the Government.
3.	Global procurement of personal protective equipment Policy Bureau: Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau	1,000	All	Procurement of personal protective equipment is in progress. As at 29 January 2021, around \$881 million has been paid.

Item	Measure	Estimated Expenditure (SM)	Estimated No. of Beneficiaries	Implementation progress
	Implementation: Government Logistics Department	•		
4.	Support property management sector in anti- epidemic efforts Policy Bureau: Home Affairs Bureau Implementation: Home Affairs Department in collaboration with the Property Management Services Authority	1,114	160 000 frontline property management workers serving in around 40 000 private residential, composite, industrial and commercial buildings	<ul> <li>Upon the endorsement of the AEF Steering Committee, the Anti-epidemic Support Scheme for Property Management Sector has been enhanced as follows – <ul> <li>(a) the original scope covering private residential/ composite buildings has been extended to cover industrial/ commercial buildings;</li> <li>(b) the subsidised period has been extended from four months to seven months (i.e. from February to August 2020);</li> <li>(c) the maximum number of beneficiaries per eligible building block has been extended from 6 to 100; and</li> <li>(d) the application period has been extended to 15 July 2020.</li> </ul> </li> <li>The Scheme has disbursed over \$1.1 billion of subsidy, benefiting over 160 000 frontline property management workers serving in around 40 000 private residential, composite, industrial and commercial buildings. The measure has completed.</li> </ul>
5.	Technology applications to enable reusability of masks	182	All Hong Kong ID card holders	The two rounds of distribution of the CuMask+ <sup>TM</sup> to the public were completed on 31 October 2020. We have distributed the CuMask+ <sup>TM</sup> to ethnic

Item	Measure	Estimated Expenditure (\$M)	Estimated No. of Beneficiaries	Implementation progress
	Policy Bureau: Innovation and Technology Bureau Implementation: Innovation and Technology Commission			<ul> <li>minorities, domestic helpers, underprivileged groups, street sleepers, etc. through Consulate Generals (CGs), the Social Welfare Department, and the Home Affairs Department. With the implementation of 'Return2hk', the CuMask+<sup>TM</sup> are being distributed at three boundary control points<sup>1</sup> to Hong Kong residents returning to Hong Kong.</li> <li>As of 29 January 2021, about 10.39 million pieces have been distributed. The total expenditure of the CuMask+<sup>TM</sup> project is about \$280 million, of which \$100 million is supported by internal resources. We submitted the audited account to the Panel on Commerce and Industry of the Legislative Council in December 2020.</li> </ul>
6.	Support construction sector in anti-epidemic efforts Policy Bureau: Development Bureau Implementation: Construction Industry Council	864	Around 7 400 construction establishments and 486 000 workers	The application period for the support measures closed on 31 August 2020. A total of about \$851 million of subsidies were disbursed to about 464 000 workers and 5 600 establishments. The measure has completed.
7.	Support cleansing and security staff engaged by	553	71 000 frontline workers	Departments have disbursed the allowance through contractors to eligible workers who

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> viz. Hong Kong International Airport, Shenzhen Bay Port, and Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Port.

Item	Measure	Estimated Expenditure (\$M)	Estimated No. of Beneficiaries	Implementation progress
	Government and Hong Kong Housing Authority service contractors in anti-epidemic efforts Policy Bureau: Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau Implementation: Individual departments and the Hong Kong Housing Authority in			performed duties in the respective months during the allowance period of March to September 2020, involving an expenditure of \$553 million. The measure has completed.
	collaboration with their contractors			
8.	Installation of emergency alert system (EAS) Policy Bureau: Commerce and Economic Development Bureau Implementation: Office of	150	24 million mobile telephone users	The EAS was launched on 26 November 2020. As at 29 January 2021, about \$147 million was paid. The measure has completed.
	the Communications Authority			
9.	Home quarantine support Policy Bureau: Innovation and Technology Bureau	107	Persons who are required to observe the home quarantine requirement	As of 29 January 2021, \$107 million AEF funding earmarked to support home quarantine arrangements has been exhausted. Around 403 000 e-wristbands were purchased using the AEF funding. An additional 373 000 e-

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	Implementation: Office of the Government Chief Information Officer (OGCIO)/Innovation and Technology Commission (Logistics and Supply Chain MultiTech Research and Development Centre)			wristbands at \$11.3 million were purchased using OGCIO's departmental expenses to continue supporting the ongoing operation of the home quarantine arrangement since September 2020. A total of over 480 000 confinees undergoing compulsory home quarantine have been issued with related devices, including about 440 000 e- wristbands and about 40 000 QR code wristbands.
10.	<ul> <li>Ex-gratia payment to eligible public rental housing (PRH) applicants who have accepted the advance allocation offers of Fai Ming Estate (FME) and Chun Yeung Estate (CYE)</li> <li>Policy Bureau: Transport and Housing Bureau</li> <li>Implementation: Hong Kong Housing Authority</li> </ul>	76.72	4 700 prospective tenants (700 for FME and 4 000 for CYE)	<ul> <li>Four rounds of ex-gratia payments (\$6,000 for each eligible household each round) have been disbursed, involving \$76.72 million. The measure has completed.</li> <li>The first round was disbursed to all eligible households in April 2020, involving \$27.75 million.</li> <li>The second round was disbursed to eligible households in July 2020, excluding those who had accepted an allocation offer of other PRH estates, involving \$25.58 million.</li> <li>The third round was disbursed to eligible households of Tai Fai House of FME and Blocks 1 to 3 of CYE in end October 2020, excluding those who had accepted an allocation offer of other PRH estates/ Blocks 4 &amp; 5 of CYE, involving \$12.03 million.</li> <li>The fourth round was disbursed to eligible</li> </ul>

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				households of Blocks 1 to 3 of CYE in early December 2020, excluding those who had accepted an allocation offer of other PRH estates/ Blocks 4 & 5 of CYE, involving \$11.36 million.
11.	Retail Sector Subsidy SchemePolicy Bureau: Chief Secretary for Administration's OfficeImplementation: Hong Kong Trade Development Council	5,516.14	70 000 retailers	The application period ended on 12 April 2020. About \$5.49 billion of subsidy were disbursed to nearly 69 000 eligible retail stores. The scheme has completed.
12.	<ul> <li>Food Licence Holders Subsidy Scheme</li> <li>Policy Bureau: Food and Health Bureau</li> <li>Implementation: Food and Environmental Hygiene Department</li> </ul>	3,749.5	28 000 licensees	The application period ended on 4 May 2020. 28 551 eligible applications were received, all of which were approved and over \$3.746 billion of subsidy were disbursed. The scheme has completed.
13.	Subsidy for the transport sector	2,968.247	59 000 taxi drivers, 2 000 red minibus drivers, 165 green minibus	Disbursement of subsidy is in progress. As of 29 January 2021, around \$2.1966 billion has been paid to the transport trades.

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Item	MeasurePolicy Bureau: Transport and Housing BureauImplementation: Transport Department and Marine Department			Implementation progressFuel subsidy to reimburse one-third of actualfuel/electricity cost for franchised buscompanies, ferry operators and Hong KongTramways Limited, and a subsidy of \$1discount per litre of LPG or one-third of fuelcost for diesel and petrol for public light busesand taxisAs of 29 January 2021, around \$391.8 million offuel/electricity subsidy to five franchised buscompanies, 14 local ferry operators and HongKong Tramways Limited has been disbursed.The scheme subsidises the fuel/electricity costsincurred from July 2019 to June 2020.The one-year fuel subsidy to public light busesand taxis commenced on 1 July 2020. As of29 January 2021, around \$198.3 million has been
				reimbursed. One-off non-accountable subsidy of \$20,000 to registered owners of each non-franchised public bus, and \$10,000 to registered owners of each school private light buses, hire cars and goods vehicles 99% of registered owners of the eligible commercial vehicles have submitted the applications and around \$1.33 billion of subsidy has been disbursed to the registered owners of 7 072 non-franchised public buses, 2 184 school private light buses, 1 239 hire cars and 115 327 goods vehicles.

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				<ul> <li>Subsidy for nucleic acid tests         For the subsidy to cross-boundary goods vehicle drivers for conducting mandatory nucleic acid tests, \$82.1 million has been disbursed.     </li> <li>One-off non-accountable subsidy of \$10,000 for local commercial mechanised vessels and one-off survey fee subsidy for local commercial vessels         A total of about \$75.4 million of one-off non-accountable subsidy and \$15.5 million of one-off survey fee subsidy have been paid to owners of 8 540 vessels. The measure has completed.     </li> <li>One-off non-accountable subsidy of \$10,000 for local commercial non-mechanised vessels for cargo operation or marine construction works         A total of about \$7.3 million of one-off non-accountable subsidy have been paid to owners of 730 vessels. The measure has completed.     </li> <li>One-off non-accountable subsidy of \$1 million for each eligible cross-boundary ferry vessel         A total of \$84 million of one-off non-accountable subsidy have been paid to owners of 730 vessels. The measure has completed.     </li> </ul>

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		• • • •		One-off non-accountable subsidy of \$20,000for pleasure vessels let for hire or rewardA total of about \$14.4 million has been paid toowners of 720 vessels.The measure hascompleted.
14.	Convention and Exhibition Industry Subsidy Scheme Policy Bureau: Commerce and Economic Development Bureau Implementation: Hong Kong Trade Development Council, Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre and AsiaWorld- Expo	1,020	Convention/exhibition organisers and participants	The part of the scheme regarding exhibitions and international conventions held at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre and Asia World-Expo commenced on 3 October 2020, while that regarding exhibitions and major conventions organised by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council (TDC) commenced on 30 November 2020. Both parts of the Scheme will last until 31 December 2021. As at 29 January 2021, subsidies of about \$37.9 million have been approved.
15.	Special allowance for eligible Working Family Allowance (WFA) and Student Financial Assistance (SFA) households Policy Bureau: Labour and Welfare Bureau	895	All eligible WFA households and SFA households	The measure has completed. The Working Family and Student Financial Assistance Agency (WFSFAA) has started disbursing the special allowance in batches from 9 June 2020, and has disbursed the allowance to about 186 420 eligible households, involving around \$885.4 million of allowance as at 29 January 2021. For the few cases pending submission of supporting information by the remaining eligible households, WFSFAA will disburse the subsidy upon receipt of the relevant information.

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	Implementation: Working Family and Student Financial Assistance Agency	•		
16.	Additional student grant for 2019/20 school yearPolicy Bureau: Education BureauImplementation: Education Bureau	875	900 000 students	The application closed on 30 June 2020. Among about 876 000 applications received, about 874 820 applications have been approved, involving around \$875 million. The measure has completed.
17.	Rental waivers for tenants at the Hong Kong Science Park, industrial estates and CyberportPolicy Bureau: Innovation and Technology BureauImplementation: Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation and the Hong Kong Cyberport Management Company Limited	338.4	962 tenants of Science Park and industrial estates, as well as 740 tenants of Cyberport	The rental waiver took effect from 1 April 2020 and ended on 30 September 2020. The measure has completed.

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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 Policy Bureau: Food and Health Bureau Implementation:	280	1 800 traders and owners 1 300 fresh marine fish/vegetable/freshwater fish/hen egg/fresh fruit wholesalers	The application period for the subsidies for live marine fish wholesale traders and fishing vessels with Mainland deckhands ended in April and May 2020 respectively, with 1 587 applications received. 1 532 applications were approved and around \$236.08 million of subsidy were disbursed. The application period for the subsidies to fresh marine fish/vegetable/freshwater fish/hen egg/fresh fruit wholesalers ended on 1 June 2020, with 1 131 applications received. 1 098 applications were approved and \$43.92 million of
	Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department			subsidy were disbursed. The measure has completed.
19.	Support to child care centres (CCCs) Policy Bureau: Labour and Welfare Bureau Implementation: Social Welfare Department	245.824	257 aided CCCs 294 non-aided CCCs	The measure has completed, with around \$245.8 million of subsidy paid.
20.	Arts and Culture Sector Subsidy Scheme Policy Bureau: Home Affairs Bureau	137.2	Arts and culture groups and freelancers in the arts and culture sector	Disbursement of subsidy is in progress. As at 29 January 2021, \$137.2 million has been committed. A total of 935 arts groups/projects and more than 6 400 arts practitioners and freelancers have benefitted.

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	Implementation: Home Affairs Bureau and others			The Hong Kong Arts Development Council (HKADC) has extended the application deadline of its "Support Scheme for the Arts & Cultural Sector" for individual arts practitioners and freelancers to 21 February 2021. HKADC will continue to disburse subsidy to eligible arts practitioners and individual freelancers.
21.	Licensed Guesthouses Subsidy Scheme Policy Bureau: Home Affairs Bureau, Commerce and Economic Development Bureau Implementation: Tourism Commission in collaboration with the Office of the Licensing Authority under the Home Affairs Department	124.02	1 800 licensed guesthouses	The scheme has completed, with around \$124 million of subsidy disbursed.
22.	Travel Agents Subsidy Scheme Policy Bureau: Commerce and Economic Development Bureau Implementation: Tourism Commission	137.44	1 736 licensed travel agents	The scheme has completed, with around \$137.44 million of subsidy disbursed.

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23.	Support to training bodies of Employees Retraining Board (ERB)	87.814	80 training bodies	Disbursement of special grant through ERB has completed. The total sum paid is around \$88 million.
	Policy Bureau: Labour and Welfare Bureau			
	Implementation: Employees Retraining Board			
24.	Licensed Hawkers Subsidy Scheme Policy Bureau: Food and Health Bureau	26.435	5 500 licensed hawkers	The subsidy scheme has completed. Amongst the 5 811 applications received, 5 287 eligible applications were approved and around \$26.44 million of subsidy were disbursed.
	Implementation: Food and Environmental Hygiene Department			

Table 2.	Progress under	r the second-round	d Anti-epidemic	Fund (AEF)

Item	Measure	Estimated	Estimated No. of	Implementation Progress
		Expenditure (\$M)	Beneficiaries	
1.	Employment Support Scheme (ESS) Policy Bureau: Chief Executive's Office supported by Labour and Welfare Bureau Implementation: Policy Innovation and Coordination Office	91,351.3	Around 270 000 employers who have been making MPF contributions for their employees or have set up MPF-exempted Occupational Retirement Schemes Ordinance (ORSO) schemes, employing 1.77 million employees, as well as around 215 000 self- employed persons who	Under the first tranche of ESS, we received 168 799 applications from employers and 259 860 applications from self-employed persons (SEPs). We approved about 151 600 applications from employers, involving a total wage subsidy of \$45.2 billion and benefitting about 1.95 million employees. For SEPs, we approved the \$7,500 one-off subsidy to over 110 000 eligible applicants, involving more than \$800 million of subsidy. For the second tranche, we received a total of
			have set up an MPF account on or before 31 March 2020 and with the accounts remaining opened as of the date	188 062 applications, including 161 676 applications from employers and 26 386 applications from SEPs. Among the employers' applications received, 147 419 employer applicants (about 91%) had successfully applied for the first tranche. Wage subsidies were approved for about 151 100 employers under the second tranche (with subsidies totaling \$44.7 billion and a total committed headcount of paid employees of about 1.94 million). Some 10 600 SEPs also received approval for their \$7,500 one- off subsidy, involving a total subsidy of \$80 million.
2.	Job Creation	6,600	More than 30 000 time- limited job will be created	Under the Job Creation Scheme, in addition to bearing the salary of the jobs created in various government bureaux and departments, the

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	Policy Bureau: All policy bureaux, coordinated by Civil Service BureauImplementation: All policy bureaux and relevant departments and public bodies			Government subsidises part of the cost of the jobs created in the non-government sector. Some of the jobs are created specifically for graduates, for example the scheme launched by the Development Bureau to subsidise employers to employ graduates from the fields of engineering, architecture, surveying, town planning and landscape architecture. These jobs include specifically the training elements which are conducive to the long-term career development of young people and provide them with the opportunity to acquire the relevant working experience from the time-limited jobs with a view to attaining the professional qualifications in the relevant industries.
				As at end January 2021, around 31 000 jobs (including around 15 970 jobs in the Government and around 15 490 jobs in the non-governmental sector) have been created under the Job Creation Scheme. Among them, around 16 000 jobs have been filled while the recruitment of the remaining 15 000 jobs has already commenced or will commence shortly. A total expenditure of 818 million has been incurred.
3.	LAWTECH Fund Policy Bureau: Department of Justice (DoJ)	40	<ul><li>(i) Around 700 SME law firms and barristers' chambers with 5 or less practising lawyers</li></ul>	The Fund is administered by the Law Society of Hong Kong and the Hong Kong Bar Association under a Memorandum of Understanding with DoJ.

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	Implementation: The Law Society of Hong Kong and the Hong Kong Bar Association (for law firms/chambers) and DoJ			The application period closed on 6 September 2020, with over 500 applications received. The Joint Committee set up by the two professional bodies are processing the applications received, and arranging the disbursement of the funding to successful applicants. Around \$24.3 million has been disbursed.
			<ul><li>(ii) The local legal and dispute resolution sector</li></ul>	DoJ is actively exploring the development of the Hong Kong Legal Cloud, a state-of-the-art 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 further enhance the capability of the profession to harness modern technology thereby reinforcing Hong Kong's status as an international legal hub.
4.	COVID-19 Online Dispute Resolution Scheme Policy Bureau: Department of Justice	70	General public and businesses with disputes arising out of or in relation to COVID-19; and mediators, arbitrators and their pupils, etc.	The Department of Justice and eBRAM Centre, the service provider under the Scheme, have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding which governs various matters of the Scheme on 18 May 2020. The Scheme was launched on 29 June 2020.
	Implementation: eBRAM International Online Dispute Resolution Centre Limited (eBRAM			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

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	Centre)			enlisted under the Scheme and online training for them has been completed. \$70 million has been deployed.
5.	Subsidy for encouraging early deployment of 5G Policy Bureau: Commerce and Economic Development Bureau Implementation: Office of the Communications Authority	55	Around 100 projects of 5G application in public and private sectors	The application period will close on 31 May 2021. As at 29 January 2021, 47 applications were approved, with about \$8.7 million of subsidy disbursed.
6.	Distance Business Programme Policy Bureau: Innovation and Technology Bureau Implementation: Innovation and Technology Commission	1,900	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	During the application period from 18 May to 31 October, 2020, the Programme received a total of 38 572 applications from 32 143 enterprises, of which nearly 10 000 were submitted in the last week of October. The Secretariat has completed the processing of all applications, with 34 614 applications approved. Excluding cases which the enterprises did not accept the application results or provide relevant documents after their applications had been approved, the total funding approved so far is about \$1.88 billion, with average approved funding of about \$64,000. All applicants have been notified of the result by end January 2021.

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7.	Training subsidies for consultants in the construction sector Policy Bureau: Development Bureau Implementation: Construction Industry Council	23.1	Some 600 consulting firms	Disbursement of subsidy via the Construction Industry Council commenced on 11 May 2020. 558 applications were received, with 450 of them endorsed and \$22.5 million of subsidy disbursed. The measure has completed.
8.	Matching Grant Scheme for Skills Upgrading Policy Bureau: All policy bureaux, coordinated by the Civil Service Bureau Implementation: Relevant statutory bodies, industry associations and related bodies	100	Employees in various sectors	The Scheme provides training funds on a matching basis to eligible applicants 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. Eligible applicants, which are suitable organisations identified by policy bureaux, had been invited to submit applications for the matching grant. A total of 50 applications have been received by the policy bureaux concerned. Processing of the first batch of 39 applications was completed on 9 December 2020, of which 37 applications, involving total matching grant of about \$15.4 million, were approved, while two applications were rejected. The other 11 applications are being processed.

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9.	Registered operators of private schools offering non-formal curriculum Policy Bureau: Education Bureau Implementation:	97.1	About 3 000 private schools offering non-formal curriculum	The application period closed on 22 May 2020. Among the 2 654 applications received, 2 421 applications were approved, with \$96.84 million of subsidy disbursed. The measure has completed.
10.	Education BureauSchool-related serviceproviders (includingcatering, interest groups,school bus services)Policy Bureau: EducationBureauImplementation:Education Bureau	349.19	Around 900 operators of catering outlets in schools and post-secondary education institutions; Lunchbox providers of around 1 000 schools; around 6 000 school bus drivers, 2 200 school private light bus drivers and 5 400 escorts; and around 27 000 instructors, coaches, trainers and operators of interests classes engaged by schools	Catering Outlets (Primary and Secondary Schools)The application period closed on 22 May 2020.Among the 895 applications received, 747 applications were approved, with \$59.76 million of subsidy disbursed to eligible applicants. The measure has completed.Catering Outlets (Post-secondary Education Institutions)The application period closed on 7 May 2020.All 152 applications received were approved.Disbursement of subsidies to all eligible applicants has completed, involving \$12.16 million of subsidy. The measure has completed.Lunchbox Suppliers The application period closed on 22 May 2020.Among the 884 applications received, 865 applications were approved, with \$8.58 million of subsidy disbursed to eligible applicants. The measure has completed.

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11.	One-off grant to registered sports coaches Policy Bureau: Home	63.72	Around 17 000 registered sports coaches	School Bus Service ProvidersThe application period closed on 5 June 2020.Among the 9 223 applications received, 9 145applications were approved, with around \$88.7million of subsidy disbursed to eligible applicants.The measure has completed.School instructors of learning/interest classesThe application period closed on 8 June 2020.Among the 24 052 applications received, 23 998applications were approved, with around \$180million of subsidy disbursed to eligible applicants.The measure has completed.
12.	Affairs Bureau Implementation: Leisure and Cultural Services Department and National Sports Associations/Sports Organisations	31.5	Around 8 200 interest class	completed. The application period closed on 31 July 2020.
12.	workers hired by subvented non- governmental welfare organisations to provide	51.5	Around 8 200 interest class instructors hired by non- governmental organisations subvented by the Social Welfare Department	A total of 4 314 applications were received and 4 142 were approved, with \$31.065 million of subsidy disbursed to eligible applicants. The measure has completed.

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	training and coaching for service users			
	Policy Bureau: Labour and Welfare Bureau			
	Implementation: Social Welfare Department			
13.	Subsidy for the refuse transfer station account holders for transporting municipal solid waste (MSW)Policy Bureau: Environment BureauImplementation: Environmental Protection Department	6.472	800 eligible refuse transfer station account holders	In order to expedite the subsidy disbursement arrangements, the application procedures have been waived. Disbursement of subsidy have been made to 809 eligible private MSW collectors in early May 2020. The scheme has completed with total payment of \$6.472 million made.
14.	Subsidies for local primary producersPolicy Bureau: Food and Health BureauImplementation: Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department	71.72	Around 7 600 local primary producers	The application period for the subsidies to primary producers ended on 1 June 2020. As of 29 January 2021, 7 135 applications were approved (including owners of vegetable farms, hydroponic farms, flower farms and nurseries, marine fish culture farms, pond fish culture farms, fishing vessels and fish collector vessels) and \$71.35 million of subsidy has been/will be paid to eligible applicants.

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15.	Special subsidy to exchange participants and Securities and Futures Commission licenseesPolicy Bureau: Financial Services and the Treasury BureauImplementation: Financial Services and the Treasury 	106.56	Some 790 Category B and Category C exchange participants; and some 44 000 Securities and Futures Commission licensed individuals	The Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau has appointed the Hong Kong Securities and Investment Institute to disburse the subsidies. The application period ended on 30 September 2020,with 750 applications from exchange participants and 30 456 applications from SFC licensed individuals received, among which 666 and 29 691 applications were approved respectively (representing 85% and 68% of the eligible beneficiaries respectively). Around \$93 million of subsidy were disbursed. The measure has completed.
16.	Cash subsidy for individual licensees in the estate agency sector Policy Bureau: Transport and Housing Bureau Implementation: Estate Agents Authority	127	Around 40 000 individual licensees	Licensees need not submit application for the cash subsidy. The Estate Agents Authority has started disbursing the cash subsidy to eligible individual licensees by batches since late May 2020 according to the numerical sequence of licence numbers. Save for a small number of cases that the eligibility for receiving the subsidies are being assessed, the disbursement exercise has been largely completed in end August 2020. As at 29 January 2021, around \$124.74 million was disbursed.
17.	Subsidy for the passenger transport sector	3,634.15	5 franchised bus companies, 9 local ferry operators and Hong Kong	Disbursement of subsidy is in progress. As of 29 January 2021, around \$2.878 billion has been paid to the transport trades.

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	Policy Bureau: Transport		Tramways Limited;	<b>Reimbursement of repair and maintenance</b>
	and Housing Bureau		registered owners of about	cost and insurance premium to franchised bus
			7 400 non-franchised	companies, local ferry operators and Hong
	Implementation: Transport		buses, 2 200 school private	Kong Tramways Limited (April to September
	Department (TD)		light buses, 1 300 hire cars,	<u>2020)</u>
			18 163 taxis and 1 010 red	As at 29 January 2021, about \$140 million of
			minibus; 165 green minibus	subsidy has been disbursed.
			passenger service licence	
			holders; 59 000 taxi drivers	<b>One-off non-accountable subsidy for green</b>
			and 2 500 red minibus	minibus passenger service licence holders
			drivers; 3 000 green	(\$30,000), kaito operators (\$20,000), registered
			minibus and 200 local ferry	owners of non-franchised public buses
			employees aged 65 or	(\$30,000), school private light buses (\$30,000),
			above; 72 kaito routes	hire cars (\$30,000), taxis (\$30,000) and red
				<u>minibuses (\$30,000)</u>
				As of 29 January 2021, about 99% of registered
				owners of these eligible commercial vehicles and
				operators of eligible vessels have submitted the
				applications and around \$986.7 million of subsidy
				has been disbursed to the registered owners of
				6 977 non-franchised public buses, 2 190 school
				private light buses, 1 237 hire cars, 19 129 taxis
				and red minibuses, 164 green minibus passenger
				service licence holders and 55 kaito operators.
				Wage subsidy to green minibus and local ferry
				operators for employees aged 65 or above
				(\$6,000 for 6 months)
				As of 29 January 2021, a total of around \$89.9
				million has been disbursed to the operators,
				covering 3 157 and 1 857 employees for the first

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					and second tranche applications respectively. <u>Subsidy for eligible active taxi and red minibus</u> <u>drivers (\$6,000 for 6 months or a lump sum of</u> <u>\$7,500)</u> As of 29 January 2021, around \$1.66 billion of subsidy has been disbursed to 48 392 applicants.
18.	<ul> <li>Providing relief to creative industries</li> <li>(a) Cinemas Subsidy Scheme;</li> <li>(b) Subsidy to PMQ tenants; and</li> </ul>	92.5	(a)	7 cinema circuits (operating 50 cinemas in total) and 9 standalone cinemas;	All eligible circuits and cinemas had lodged applications and their applications were approved. Total amount of subsidy paid was \$20 million. Disbursement of subsidy has completed. The scheme has completed.
	<ul> <li>(c) Printing and Publishing Sector Subsidy Scheme</li> <li>Policy Bureau: Commerce and Economic Development Bureau</li> <li>Implementation: Create Hong Kong</li> </ul>		(b)	All the tenants of PMQ (around 105); and	For the subsidy covering May to December 2020, the total amount of \$25 million has been disbursed to tenants through PMQ in four equal tranches by October 2020. The actual amount of subsidy disbursed for the whole eight-month subsidy period will be shown in the overall audited accounts to be submitted by PMQ by 31 January 2021. The unspent balance, if any, will be returned to the Government on request as per the subsidy agreement.
					For the subsidy covering January to March 2021, the total amount of \$7.5 million was disbursed to tenants through PMQ in one go on 31 December 2020. The actual amount of subsidy disbursed for the whole three-month subsidy period will be shown in the overall audited accounts to be

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				submitted by PMQ by 30 April 2021. The unspent balance, if any, will be returned to the Government on request as per the subsidy agreement.
			(c) All exhibitors at the next Hong Kong Book Fair	The total amount of subsidy is up to \$40 million depending on the actual participation fees to be incurred by the exhibitors (capped at \$100,000 per local exhibitor and \$10,000 per non-local exhibitor). Subsidy will be disbursed to the Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC) after completion of the next Hong Kong Book Fair. HKTDC, after discussion with the representatives of the Book Fair's supporting organisations, announced on 23 November 2020 that the Book Fair would be postponed to July 2021 in view of pandemic development. The aforementioned
19.	Tourism Industry Support	755.4	Some 1 730 licensed travel	subsidy will remain applicable for the purpose.
19.	Tourism Industry Support Schemes Policy Bureau: Commerce	/33.4	agents; some 26 000 travel agents' staff and freelance accredited tourist guides	The Hotel Sector Support Scheme and the Tour Service Coach Drivers (Mainly Serving Tourists) Support Scheme have completed.
	and Economic		and tour escorts whose	The Travel Agents and Practitioners Support
	Development Bureau (in		main occupations are	Scheme has largely completed, save the
	collaboration with		tourist guides and tour	processing of applications from a small number of
	Transport and Housing		escorts; about 300 licensed	travel agents and their employees which are
	Bureau and Home Affairs		hotels; about 9 300 tour	withheld pending criminal investigation by the
	Bureau as relevant)		service coach drivers; Kai	Police for suspected conspiracy to defraud.

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	Implementation: Tourism Commission (in collaboration with Transport Department and Home Affairs Department as relevant)		Tak Cruise Terminal and cruise lines with ship calls cancelled	As at 29 January 2021, about 23 000 applications under the above three schemes were approved and around \$735 million of subsidy were disbursed under the schemes. For the cruise industry, the Government started waiving the monthly fixed rent and management fees for the operator of Kai Tak Cruise Terminal for ten months, from 1 June 2020 to 31 March 2021. As at 29 January 2021, around \$5.11 million has been waived. Furthermore, the Government started providing refund of berth deposits to cruise lines for cancelled ship calls during the suspension of immigration service within the application period from 18 April 2020 to 31 May 2021. As at 29 January 2021, 15 applications were received, and all of them were approved, involving around \$2.77 million.
20.	Relief measures for construction sector Policy Bureau: Development Bureau Implementation: Construction Industry Council	5,645	Around 530 000 construction workers and 30 000 construction-related enterprises, and around 3 500 employers of the construction sector	The application period for the relief measures for workers and enterprises closed on 31 August 2020. As of 29 January 2021, a total of \$5,494 million of subsidy were disbursed. Disbursement of subsidy was substantially completed. A total of around 500 000 workers and 15 500 enterprises received the subsidy under the relief measures.

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				As regards the disbursement of subsidy to employers, the application period closed on 31 July 2020. Subsidies were disbursed to over 1 760 employers covering around 39 900 qualified employees.
21.	Subsidy to operators of Revitalising Historic Buildings Through Partnership Scheme, PMQ and Fly the Flyover Operation Policy Bureau: Development Bureau Implementation: Commissioner for Heritage's Office and Energizing Kowloon East Office	36	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	All applications were approved and the whole sum of committed subsidy (\$36 million) was paid. The measure has completed.
22.	Subsidy for the aviation sector Policy Bureau: Transport and Housing Bureau	343	(a) Some 270 aircraft registered in Hong Kong; and	Eight applications were received and approved, and \$267 million was disbursed to the target beneficiaries, involving 271 aircraft registered in Hong Kong. The subsidy scheme has completed.
			(b) Some 40 aviation support services and cargo facilities operators at the Hong	34 applications were approved and \$76 million of subsidy were disbursed. The subsidy scheme has completed.

Item	Measure	Estimated Expenditure (\$M)	Estimated No. of Beneficiaries	Implementation Progress
	Implementation: Civil Aviation Department and Airport Authority Hong Kong		Kong International Airport	
23.	Catering Business (Social Distancing) Subsidy Scheme (CSS) Policy Bureau: Food and Health Bureau Implementation: Food and Environmental Hygiene Department	4,650	About 17 000 catering outlets and their employees	Licensed food premisesThe application period ended on 5 June 2020, with around 9 160 applications received. For the first tranche payment, 9 052 applications were approved and \$ 2,247 million of subsidy were disbursed. For the second tranche payment, 8 982 applications were received, with 7 797 applications approved and \$1,857 million of subsidy disbursed. The scheme is expected to be completed in June 2021.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 \$37.8 million of subsidy were disbursed. This part of the measure has completed.Further one-off subsidy to Karaoke Establishments, nightclubs and bars or pubs which are concurrently holding a food licence 850 applications were received, with 700 applications approved and \$35 million of subsidy

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		Expenditure (\$M)	Beneficiaries	
				disbursed. This part of the measure has completed.
				<b>Cooked food/light refreshment stalls at public</b>
				markets The application period ended on 27 May 2020, with 877 applications received. 872 eligible applications were approved and around \$44 million of subsidy were disbursed. This part of the measure has completed.
24.	Amusement Game	20.7	Around 240 amusement	The application period closed on 27 May 2020.
	Centres Subsidy Scheme Policy Bureau: Home Affairs Bureau		game centre operators	Amongst the 238 applications received, all 207 eligible applications were approved and \$20.7 million of subsidy were disbursed. The scheme has completed.
	Implementation: Office of the Licensing Authority under the Home Affairs Department			
25.	Commercial bathhouses Subsidy Scheme	4.8	Around 50 commercial bathhouses	The application period closed on 27 May 2020, with 48 applications received. All applications were approved and \$4.8 million of subsidy were
	Policy Bureau: Food and Health Bureau			disbursed. The scheme has completed.
	Implementation: Food and Environmental Hygiene Department			

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26.	Fitness Centre Subsidy Scheme Policy Bureau: Home	166.4	Around 1 660 fitness centres	The application period closed on 3 June 2020. 1 920 applications were received. A total of 1 660 eligible applications were approved, with \$166 million of subsidy disbursed. The scheme
	Affairs Bureau Implementation: Home Affairs Bureau (assisted by the Physical Fitness Association of Hong Kong, China)			has completed.
27.	<ul> <li>Places of Amusement Licence Holders Subsidy Scheme</li> <li>Policy Bureau: Home Affairs Bureau</li> <li>Implementation: Leisure and Cultural Services Department</li> </ul>	5.8	59 licensed billiard establishments, public bowling-alleys and public skating rinks	The application period of the scheme ended on 30 May 2020. Amongst the 59 applications received, 58 applications were approved and a total of \$5.8 million of subsidy were disbursed. The scheme has completed.
28.	Places of PublicEntertainment Licence(PPEL) Holder SubsidySchemePolicy Bureau: HomeAffairs Bureau	24.2	Around 180 PPEL holders and 300 temporary PPEL (TPPEL) holders	The application period of the scheme closed on 27 May 2020. 175 PPEL applications and 398 TPPEL applications were received. All 172 eligible PPEL applications and all 350 eligible TPPEL applications were approved respectively and a total of \$24.2 million of subsidy was disbursed. The scheme has completed.

Item	Measure	Estimated Expenditure (\$M)	Estimated No. of Beneficiaries	Implementation Progress
	Implementation: Food and Environmental Hygiene Department			
29.	Mahjong / Tin Kau Licence Holder Subsidy Scheme Policy Bureau: Home Affairs Bureau Implementation: Office of the Licensing Authority under the Home Affairs Department	6.5	66 holders of Mahjong/Tin Kau Licence	The application period ended on 27 May 2020. 65 applications were received. All applications were approved and \$6.5 million of subsidies were disbursed. The scheme has completed.
30.	Subsidy Scheme for Beauty Parlours, Massage Establishments and Party Rooms Policy Bureau: Chief Secretary for Administration's Office Implementation: Human Resources Planning and Poverty Coordination Unit under the Chief Secretary for Administration's Office	707	Around 11 000 beauty parlours, 1 400 massage establishments and 500 party rooms	The application period ended on 17 May 2020, with approximately 14 380 applications received under the scheme. 13 210 applications were approved, involving over \$637.7 million of subsidy. The scheme has been completed.

Item	Measure	Estimated Expenditure (\$M)	Estimated No. of Beneficiaries	Implementation Progress
31.	Club-house Subsidy Scheme Policy Bureau: Home Affairs Bureau Implementation: Office of the Licensing Authority under the Home Affairs Department	56.4	Around 580 holders of the Certificate of Compliance issued under the Clubs (Safety of Premises) Ordinance	The application period closed on 18 May 2020. Amongst the 564 applications received, 553 applications were approved (including 22 club- houses operating with a valid karaoke establishment permit for which a supplementary subsidy of \$50,000 was disbursed) and \$56.4 million of subsidy were disbursed. The scheme has completed.
32.	Sports and Recreational Sites Subsidy SchemePolicy Bureau: Home Affairs BureauImplementation: Home Affairs Bureau	7.4	Operators of sports and recreational facilities on sites granted by the Government	Application period closed on 20 May 2020. Amongst the 82 applications received, 74 applications were approved and \$7.4 million of subsidy were disbursed to eligible operators. The scheme has completed.
33.	<ul> <li>A 20% fare concession of MTR and temporary relaxation of the monthly threshold of the Public Transport Fare Subsidy Scheme (PTFSS)</li> <li>Policy Bureau: Transport and Housing Bureau</li> <li>Implementation: MTR</li> </ul>	800	MTR Corporation Limited (MTRCL) and its railway passengers; and passengers with monthly public transport expenses in excess of \$200	MTRCL announced the one-off special relief measures on 8 April 2020 to provide "20% Rebate for Every Octopus Trip" to Octopus users from 1 July 2020 to 1 January 2021. During the six- month period, passengers will also enjoy a flat reduction of \$100 for each purchase of "MTR City Saver" and five types of "Monthly Pass Extras". The Chief Executive announced in the 2020 Policy Address that after discussion with the Government, the MTRCL has decided to extend

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Item	Measure	Estimated Expenditure (\$M)	Estimated No. of Beneficiaries	Implementation Progress
	Corporation Limited (MTR fare concession) and Transport Department (PTFSS)			<ul> <li>the 20% fare discount for three months until March 2021. The MTRCL will also extend the \$100 discount for each purchase of "MTR City Saver" and five types of "Monthly Pass Extras" by six months to June 2021.</li> <li>The Government will bear half of the total actual revenue foregone for the abovementioned fare concessions during the period between July 2020 and March 2021 with a cap of \$0.8 billion.</li> </ul>
				In addition, the monthly threshold of PTFSS has been temporarily relaxed from \$400 to \$200 for a time-limited period of six months (from 1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020). During the six-month period, the Government provided a subsidy amounting to one-third of the actual public transport expenses in excess of \$200, subject to a maximum of \$400 per month per Octopus.
				The total subsidy amount for July to December 2020 was about \$1.4 billion, benefiting an average of about 2.5 million commuters per month.
				The Chief Executive also announced in the 2020 Policy Address that the temporary measure would be extended for six months until 30 June 2021.

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1.	Quarantine centres for residents of residential care homes for the elderly and residential care homes for persons with disabilitiesPolicy bureau: Labour and Welfare BureauImplementation: Social 	( <b>\$M</b> ) 730	Beneficiaries         3 quarantine centres         including Hong Kong         PHAB Association Jockey         Club PHAB Camp, Cheung         Muk Tau Holiday Centre         for the Elderly, and         AsiaWorld–Expo,providing         a total of 740 beds <sup>2</sup>	SWD 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. 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
				<ul> <li>waste), facilities management, security service, logistics arrangements, service fees for five Care Support Teams, and consumables for the residents, etc.</li> <li>As at 29 January 2021, a total of 993 residents have been served in the three quarantine centres, incurring a total expenditure of \$406.5 million.</li> </ul>

## Table 3. Progress under the third-round Anti-epidemic Fund (AEF)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Upon cessation of operation of Cheung Muk Tau Holiday Centre for the Elderly with effect from 29 October 2020, the total number of beds in the remaining quarantine centres becomes

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2.	Quarantine facilities Policy bureau: Food and Health Bureau Implementation Department of Health	610	4 hotels providing a total of around 1 700 guestrooms to serve as close-contact quarantine facilities and the 3 500 quarantine units in Penny's Bay	The Department of Health (DH) has activated three hotels (providing a total of 1 038 rooms) as close-contact quarantine hotels on 3, 7 and 9 December 2020 respectively. Rambler Garden Hotel (providing a total of 700 rooms) in Tsing Yi has been converted from a Holding Center to a close-contact quarantine hotel on 27 December 2020. The contracts of two of the four hotels will be extended for two months to early April 2021, which will provide 770 rooms. The other 2 hotels will cease to be close-contact quarantine hotels upon the expiry of contracts after 9 February 2021 and 18 February 2021 for the time being. All units in Penny's Bay Quarantine Centre have been in full operation since December 2020. As of 29 January 2021, the actual spending was around \$105 million.
3.	Subsidy scheme for the promotion of contactless payment in public markets	37.5	Tenants of about 12 000 stalls in Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) markets, and some 1 500 stalls in Hong Kong Housing Authority (HKHA)	<ul> <li>The application period ended on 21 December 2020. FEHD and HKHA received over 3,500 and 400 cases respectively.</li> <li>Eligible tenants are required to obtain prior approval in principle before signing contracts with service providers. FEHD will disburse</li> </ul>

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	Policy bureau: Food and Health Bureau, Transport and Housing Bureau Implementation: Food and Environmental Hygiene Department,		markets (including wet market stalls and cooked food stalls)	subsidies to them within about two weeks from production of the service contract signed by them and confirming that necessary installation has been completed. HKHA will also arrange to disburse the subsidy as soon as possible.
	Hong Kong Housing Authority			As at 29 January 2021, 1 163 applications were approved and \$4.025 million of subsidy were disbursed.
4.	Catering Business	1,470.65	About 18 000 catering	Licensed food premises (include
	Subsidy Scheme		outlets, including some	concurrently holding Karaoke
	Policy bureau: Food and Health Bureau Implementation: Food and Environmental Hygiene Department		17 000 licensed catering outlets and about 1 000 cooked food/light refreshment stall operators	Establishment Permit or Liquor Licence (with Bar Endorsement) The application period ended on 12 November 2020, with 15 425 applications received. As at 29 January 2021, 15 019 applications were approved and \$1,388 million paid. 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 The application period ended on 9 November 2020, with a total of 946 applications received. All applications were approved, with \$23.65 million of subsidy disbursed. The scheme has completed.

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5.	Tourism Industry Support Scheme Policy bureau: Commerce and Economic Development Bureau Implementation: Tourism Commission	358.7	Around 1 700 travel agents, 20 000 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, 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. As at 29 January 2021, a total of around \$356 million of subsidy were disbursed to some 1 560 travel agents and 21 000 eligible practitioners.
6.	Subsidy Scheme for Beauty Parlours, Massage Establishments and Party Rooms (Second Round) Policy bureau: Chief Secretary for Administration's Office Implementation: Human Resources Planning and Poverty Coordination Unit under the Chief Secretary for Administration's Office	270	Around 11 000 beauty parlours and massage establishments, and 500 party rooms	The application period ended on 1 November 2020, with approximately 10 000 applications received under the scheme. As of 29 January 2021, over 9 840 applications have been processed, with approximately 8 350 applications approved and around \$208.1 million of subsidy disbursed. It is expected that processing of rremaining applications will be completed within February 2021. Appeals are being handled in tandem.

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7.	Subsidy Scheme for the	253.2	Owners of about 7 400 non-	<b>One-off</b> non-accountable subsidy of
	Transport and Aviation		franchised buses, 2 200	\$15,000 to registered owners of each non-
	Sector		school private light buses,	franchised public bus, school private light
			1 300 hire cars;	bus and hire car
	Policy bureau: Transport		operators/owners of 92	As at 29 January 2021, around \$146.4 million
	and Housing Bureau		cross-boundary ferries; 36	of subsidy has been disbursed to the registered
	(THB)		aircraft registered in Hong	owners of 6 501 non-franchised public buses,
			Kong, and 27 aviation	2 104 school private light buses and 1 154 hire
	Implementation:		support services operators	cars.
	Transport Department,		at the Hong Kong	
	Marine Department		International Airport	<b>One-off</b> non-accountable subsidy of
	(MD), Civil Aviation		(HKIA)	\$500,000 for each eligible cross-boundary
	Department (CAD),			<u>ferry vessel</u>
	Airport Authority Hong			A total of \$40 million of one-off non-
	Kong (AAHK)			accountable subsidy has been paid to eligible
				operators/owners of 80 cross-boundary
				ferries.
				In addition, the AEF Steering Committee
				subsequently agreed to grant the subsidy to
				the cross boundary ferry operator serving the
				SkyPier at the Hong Kong International
				Airport (HKIA). MD issued notification
				letter to eligible operator on 30 December
				2020 and received the application from the
				operator on 11 January 2021. THB and MD
				are vetting the information submitted. It is
				expected that the subsidy will be disbursed
				within February 2021.

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				One-off non-accountable subsidy of \$500,000 per large aircraft and \$100,000 per small aircraft registered by Air Operator's Certificate holders in Hong Kong Four applications were received and approved, and \$16 million of subsidy were disbursed to the target beneficiaries, involving 36 aircraft registered in Hong Kong.
				One-off non-accountable subsidy of up to \$1.5 million to aviation support services operators at the HKIA 27 applications were received and approved, and \$27.5 million of subsidy were disbursed to the target beneficiaries.
8.	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	226.9	Around 910 operators of catering outlets in primary and secondary schools and post-secondary education institutions; lunchbox providers of around 900 schools; 5 000 school bus drivers, 2 200 school private light bus drivers and	Catering Outlets (Primary and Secondary Schools)The application period ended on 9 November 2020. Among the 749 applications received, 747 were approved, with \$29.88 million of subsidy disbursed to eligible applicants. The measure has completed.Catering outlets (Post-secondary)
	Policy bureau: Education Bureau Implementation: Education Bureau		5 000 escorts; and around 25 000 instructors, coaches, trainers and operators of interests classes engaged by schools	Education Institutions) The application period ended on 20 October 2020. Among the 144 applications received, 143 applications were approved, with \$5.72 million of subsidy disbursed to eligible applicants. The measure has completed.

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				Lunchbox Suppliers The application period ended on 9 November 2020. Among the 887 applications received, 886 of which were approved, and \$4.4 million of subsidy was disbursed to eligible applicants. The measure has completed.
				School Bus Service Providers The application period ended on 9 November 2020, with 9 537 applications received. As of 29 January 2021, 9 478 were approved, involving some \$61.78 million of subsidy. Payment of subsidy to eligible applicants is expected to be completed by February 2021.
				School Instructors of Learning/Interest Classes The application period ended on 6 November 2020. Among the 22 575 applications received, 22 547 applications were approved, involving about \$112.74 million. The measure has completed.
9.	Support for Child Care Centres (CCCs) Policy bureau: Labour and Welfare Bureau	122.651	547 aided CCCs and non- aided CCCs	The measure has completed, with \$122.65 million of subsidy disbursed.
	Implementation: Social Welfare Department			

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10.	Fitness Centre Subsidy SchemePolicy bureau: Home Affairs BureauImplementation: Home Affairs Bureau (assisted by the Physical Fitness Association of Hong Kong, China)	83.5	Around 1 660 fitness centres	The application period closed on 18 November 2020. 1 642 applications were received. As of 29 January 2021, 1 150 applications were approved, with \$57.5 million of subsidy disbursed. Vetting of applications is in progress.
11.	One-off Grant to Kindergartens (KGs) and Private SchoolsPolicy bureau: Education BureauImplementation: Education Bureau	66.35	Around 1 000 KGs and 180 private primary and secondary day schools	KindergartensThe Education Bureau (EDB) issued lettersto all kindergartens on 5 October 2020informing them of the details of the one-offgrant under the third round of AEF. Noapplication is required. A total amount of\$59.87 million was disbursed to 755Scheme-KGs and 261 Non-Scheme KGs inDecember 2020. The measure hascompleted.Private SchoolsApplication is not required. Arrangementswere made for payment to 156 schools,involving \$6.24 million of subsidy. Themeasure has completed.

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12.	One-off Grant to Private Schools Offering Non- formal Curriculum Policy bureau: Education Bureau Implementation: Education Bureau	47	Around 3 000 private schools offering non-formal curriculum	The application period ended on 23 October 2020, with 2 324 applications received. As at 29 January 2021, 2 284 applications were approved, involving about \$45.68 million. The measure has completed.
13.	One-off Grant to Registered Sports Coaches Policy bureau: Home Affairs Bureau Implementation: Leisure and Cultural Services Department and National Sports Associations/Sports Organisation	49	Around 9 800 registered sport coaches	The application period closed on 30 November 2020, with 9 962 applications received. As at 29 January 2021, 9 519 applications were approved and around \$47.60 million were disbursed. The grant is expected to be disbursed to all eligible applicants by early February.
14.	Club-house Subsidy Scheme Policy bureau: Home Affairs Bureau	32.9	580 holders of Certificate of Compliance issued under the Clubs (Safety of Premises) Ordinance	The application period ended on 30 October 2020. The Scheme provides a subsidy of \$50,000 to eligible holders of a valid Certificate of Compliance (CoC), and an additional subsidy of \$25,000 for CoC holders who also operate

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	Implementation: Office of the Licensing Authority under the Home Affairs Department			<ul><li>karaoke establishments, nightclubs or bars/pubs in their clubhouse premises.</li><li>All 542 applications were approved and \$32.9 million of subsidy were disbursed to the applicants. The scheme has completed.</li></ul>
15.	Sports Premises Subsidy Scheme Policy bureau: Home Affairs Bureau Implementation: Home Affairs Bureau (assisted by the Sports Federation & Olympic Committee of Hong Kong)	5	Around 1 100 sports premises ordered to be closed under the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F)	The application period closed on 30 November 2020. 126 applications were received. As at 29 January 2021, 61 applications were approved, with \$1.83 million of subsidy disbursed. Vetting of applications is in progress.
16.	Scheme on Relief Grantsfor Interest ClassInstructors Hired bySubventedNon-governmentalWelfare OrganisationsPolicy bureau: Labourand Welfare BureauImplementation: SocialWelfare Department	30	Around 6 000 interest class instructors hired by non- governmental organisations subvented by the Social Welfare Department	The application period ended on 16 December 2020, with 3 500 applications received. As at 29 January 2021, 3 444 were approved, involving a total of \$17.22 million of subsidy. Payment of subsidy to all eligible applicants is expected to complete by end February 2021.

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17.	Arts and Culture Sector Subsidy Scheme - Subsidy to individual arts practitioners and freelancers Policy bureau: Home Affairs Bureau Implementation: Home	23	Around 4 000 individual art practitioners/freelancers and 786 Chinese opera practitioners	The subsidy of \$21.61 million has been disbursed to eligible individual arts practitioners and freelancers starting from November 2020. The subsidy was disbursed to over 4 300 individual arts practitioners and freelancers who received subsidy in earlier rounds of AEF. The Hong Kong Arts Development Council (HKADC) has extended the application deadline of its "Support Scheme for the Arts & Cultural
	Affairs Bureau and others			Sector" for individual arts practitioners and freelancers to 21 February 2021. HKADC will continue to disburse subsidy to eligible arts practitioners and individual freelancers.
18.	Places of Public Entertainment Licence (PPEL) Holder Subsidy Scheme Policy bureau: Home	11.33	Around 180 PPEL holders and 400 temporary PPEL (TPPEL) holders	The application period ended on 9 November 2020. 162 PPEL applications and 324 TPPEL applications were received. As at 29 January 2021, 161 PPEL applications and 273 TPPEL applications were approved, involving a total \$10.78 million of subsidy.
	Affairs Bureau Implementation: Food and Environmental Hygiene Department			
19.	Amusement Game Centres Subsidy Scheme Policy bureau: Home Affairs Bureau	11.6	Around 240 amusement game centre operators	The application period ended on 9 November 2020, with 241 applications received. 232 eligible applications were approved and a total of \$11.6 million of subsidy were disbursed. The scheme has completed.

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	Implementation: Office of the Licensing Authority under the Home Affairs Department			
20.	Cinemas Subsidy Scheme Policy bureau: Commerce and Economic Development Bureau Implementation: Create Hong Kong	10.5	Seven cinema circuits (with 51 cinemas in total) and ten standalone cinemas	All eligible cinemas circuits and cinemas had submitted applications, among which, applications from seven cinema circuits (covering 51 cinemas) and eight standalone cinemas were approved, involving a total subsidy amount of about \$9.8 million. Subsidy has been disbursed to all successful applicants, except one eligible cinema which is under renovation, by mid-November 2020.
21.	Provision of subsidy to companies in the performing industry which organise pop concerts Policy bureau: Home Affairs Bureau Implementation: Home Affairs Bureau and others	7.6	70 companies in the performing industry which organise pop concerts	The Government signed an agreement with the Performing Industry Association (Hong Kong) Limited (PIA) on 23 December 2020. The fund has also been transferred to PIA for onward disbursement of subsidies to eligible companies in the performing industry which organise pop concerts as soon as possible. PIA has already approached the eligible companies and reminded them to submit application with deadline set at 21 January 2021. PIA is now processing the applications received. Disbursement of subsidy to eligible companies is expected to commence in February 2021.

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22.	Arts and Culture Sector Subsidy Scheme - Rental support for tenants of Arts Spaces and Jockey Club Creative Arts Centre Policy bureau: Home Affairs Bureau Implementation: Home Affairs Bureau and others	6.5	260 tenants of the Jockey Club Creative Arts Centre (JCCAC) and arts spaces run by the Hong Kong Arts Development Council (HKADC)	The rental waiver concerned has commenced in October 2020.
23.	Sports and Recreational Sites Subsidy Scheme Policy bureau: Home Affairs Bureau Implementation: Home Affairs Bureau	3.65	Operators of sports and recreational facilities on sites granted by the Government	The application period ended on 16 November 2020. A total of 74 applications were received, of which 73 applications were approved. A total of \$3.65 million of subsidy were disbursed to eligible applicants. The scheme has completed.
24.	Mahjong/Tin Kau Licence Holder Subsidy Scheme Policy bureau: Home Affairs Bureau	3.25	66 holders of Mahjong/Tin Kau Licence	The application period ended on 9 November 2020, with 65 applications received. All of them were approved and a total of \$3.25 million of subsidy were disbursed to the eligible licence holders. The scheme has completed.

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	Implementation: Office of the Licensing Authority under the Home Affairs Department			
25.	Places of AmusementLicence Holders SubsidySchemePolicy bureau: HomeAffairs BureauImplementation: Leisureand Cultural ServicesDepartment	2.85	59 licensed billiard establishments, public bowling-alleys and public skating rinks	The application period ended on 9 November 2020, with 57 applications received. All applications were approved and a total of \$2.85 million were disbursed to eligible licence holders. The scheme has completed.
26.	Further Subsidy to Commercial Bathhouses Policy bureau: Food and Health Bureau Implementation: Food and Environmental Hygiene Department	2.3	Around 50 commercial bathhouses	The application period ended on 9 November 2020, with 46 applications received. All applications were approved and a total of \$2.3 million of subsidy were disbursed. The scheme has completed.

Item	Measure	Estimated Expenditure (\$M)	Estimated No. of Beneficiaries	Implementation Progress
1.	Catering Business Subsidy Scheme Policy Bureau: Food and Health Bureau Implementation: Food and Environmental Hygiene Department	3,400	About 18 000 catering outlets, including some 17 000 licensed catering outlets and about 1 000 cooked food/light refreshment stall operators	<ul> <li>Licensed food premises (include concurrently holding Karaoke Establishment Permit or Liquor Licence (with Bar Endorsement)</li> <li>The application period ended on 28 January 2021, with 17 089 applications received. As at 29 January 2021, 10 413 applications were approved and \$941 million of subsidy disbursed.</li> <li>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</li> <li>The applications received. As at 29 January 2021, 797 applications were approved and \$39.85 million of subsidy were disbursed.</li> </ul>
2.	Subsidy Scheme forBeauty Parlours, MassageEstablishments and PartyRoomsPolicy Bureau: ChiefSecretary forAdministration's OfficeImplementation: HumanResources Planning andPoverty Coordination Unit	700	Around 11 000 beauty parlours and massage establishments, 500 party rooms and 850 local pleasure vessels	The application period for subsidies for beauty parlours, massage establishments and party rooms ended on 29 January 2021. Approximately 11 360 applications were received. It is expected that subsidies will be disbursed from early February 2021 onwards. Regarding the subsidy to pleasure vessels, MD issued notification letters to all eligible shipowners on 26 January 2021 to inform them of the details of the subsidy scheme and invite them to verify their information. It is expected that

 Table 4. Progress under the fourth-round Anti-epidemic Fund (AEF)

Item	Measure	Estimated Expenditure (\$M)	Estimated No. of Beneficiaries	Implementation Progress
	under the Chief Secretary for Administration's Office, Marine Department (MD)			the subsidy can be disbursed starting from February 2021.
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 schoolsPolicy Bureau: Education Bureau (EDB)Implementation: EDB	362	Around 910 catering outlets in primary schools, secondary schools and post- secondary education institutions; lunchbox providers of around 900 schools; 3 000 school bus drivers, 2 200 school private light bus drivers and 4 800 escorts; and around 24 000 instructors, coaches, trainers and operators of interests classes engaged by schools	Catering Outlets (Primary and Secondary Schools)The application period started on 31 December 2020 until 1 February 2021. As at 29 January 2021, 746 applications were received, of which 88 applications were approved and \$7.04 million of subsidy were disbursed. Payment of subsidy to eligible applicants is expected to be completed by April 2021.Catering outlets (Post-secondary Education Institutions) The application period closed on 13 January 2021. 146 applications were received. As at 29 January 2021, 118 applications were approved, with \$9.44 million of subsidy disbursed. Payment of subsidy to eligible applicants is expected to complete by end- February 2021.Lunchbox Suppliers The application period started on 31 December 2020 until 1 February 2021. As at 29 January 2021, 870 applications were received, of which 121 applications were approved and \$1.21 million of subsidy were disbursed. Payment of

Item	Measure	Estimated Expenditure (\$M)	Estimated No. of Beneficiaries	Implementation Progress
		• • • • • •		subsidy to eligible applicants is expected to be completed by April 2021.
				School Bus Service Providers The application period started on 31 December 2020 until 8 February 2021. As at 29 January 2021, 5 499 applications were received. Payment of subsidy to eligible applicants is expected to be completed by April 2021.
				School instructors of learning/interest classes The application period ended on 22 January 2021, with 9 910 applications received. As at 29 January 2021, 3 177 applications were approved, with about \$23.83 million disbursed. Payment of subsidy to eligible applicants is expected to be completed by March 2021.
4.	Support for Child Care Centres (CCC) Policy Bureau: Labour and Welfare Bureau Implementation: Social Welfare Department	260	547 aided CCCs and non- aided CCCs	The Social Welfare Department issued letters to 557 CCCs inviting their application for the four- month special grant covering the period from January to April 2021 on 28 December 2020 with deadline for application set on 6 January 2021. A total of 547 applications including 258 aided CCCs and 289 non-aided CCCs were received. The first tranche of grant covering January and February 2021 will be disbursed in February 2021. The payments for the remaining two months will be made in the respective months after confirmation of continuous operation of the CCCs.

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5.	Fitness Centre and Sports Premises Subsidy SchemePolicy Bureau: Home Affairs Bureau (HAB)Implementation: HAB (assisted by the Physical Fitness Association of Hong Kong, China and the Sports Federation & 	190	Around 1 660 fitness centres and 200 sports premises	Fitness Centre Subsidy SchemeThe application period started on 8 January 2021and will end on 8 February 2021. As of 29January 2021, 1 427 applications were received,of which 250 applications were approved and atotal of \$25 million of subsidy disbursed.Sports Premises Subsidy SchemeThe application period started on 14 January 2021and will end on 17 February 2021. As at 29January 2021, 74 applications were received.Vetting of applications is in progress.
6.	One-off grant to kindergartens (KGs) and private schoolsPolicy Bureau: Education Bureau (EDB)Implementation: EDB	135	Around 1 000 KGs and 180 private primary and secondary day schools	KindergartensEDB issued letters on 30 December 2020 to all KGs informing them of the details of the one-off grant under the new round of the Anti-epidemic Fund. No application is required. An amount of \$119.94 million will be disbursed to 755 Scheme-KGs and 262 Non-Scheme KGs on 1 Feb 2021. 3 Non-scheme KGs were unable to 

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				only required to submit payee information by 22 January 2021. As at 29 January 2021, arrangements were made for payment to 159 schools, involving \$12.72 million of subsidy. Payment of subsidy to eligible schools is expected to be completed by March 2021.
7.	One-off grant to private schools offering non- formal curriculum Policy Bureau: Education Bureau (EDB) Implementation: EDB	108	Around 2 700 private schools offering non- formal curriculum	The application period ended on 29 January 2021, with 2 426 applications received. 2 179 applications were approved, with about \$87.16 million of subsidy disbursed. Payment of subsidy to eligible applicants is expected to complete by March 2021.
8.	Club-house Subsidy Scheme Policy Bureau: Home Affairs Bureau Implementation: Office of the Licensing Authority under the Home Affairs Department	80	Around 580 holders of Certificate of Compliance issued under the Clubs (Safety of Premises) Ordinance	The application period ended on 28 January 2021, with 537 applications received. As at 29 January 2021, 260 applications were approved and \$24.7 million of subsidy were disbursed. Vetting of applications is in progress.
9.	One-off grant to registered sports coaches	75	Around 10 000 registered sport coaches	The application period started on 4 January 2021 and will end on 28 February 2021. As at 29 January 2021, 9 062 applications were received, amongst which 1 168 applications were approved

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	Policy Bureau: Home Affairs Bureau	• • • • • • •		and \$8.76 million of subsidy was disbursed to eligible applicants.
	Implementation: Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) and National Sports Associations (NSAs)/Sports Organisations (SOs)			
10.	Scheme on Relief Grantsfor Interest ClassInstructors Hired bySubvented Non-governmental WelfareOrganisationsPolicy Bureau: Labour andWelfare BureauImplementation: SocialWelfare Department	45	Around 6 000 interest class instructors hired by non-governmental organisations subvented by the Social Welfare Department	The application period started on 4 January 2021 and will end on 31 March 2021. As at 29 January 2021, a total of 1 399 applications were received and 118 were approved, involving \$0.885 million of subsidy.
11.	Arts and Culture Sector Subsidy Scheme – Subsidy to individual arts practitioners and freelancers	40	Around 4 000 individual arts practitioners/ freelancers and 786 Chinese opera practitioners	The disbursement of about \$32.41 million of subsidy to eligible individual arts practitioners and freelancers is expected to complete within April 2021.

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	Policy Bureau: Home Affairs Bureau (HAB)			
	Implementation: HAB and others			
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) Policy Bureau: Home Affairs Bureau Implementation: LCSD	36	Around 4 450 part-time instructors/staff/personnel affected by cancellation of sports & recreation and culture programmes	It is expected that the disbursement of ex-gratia payment to part-time instructors/ staff/ personnel could start from the end of February 2021 by phases. Separate application for the ex-gratia payment will not be required from the personnel concerned.
13.	Implementation: DesidePlaces of PublicEntertainment Licence(PPEL) Holder SubsidySchemePolicy Bureau: HomeAffairs BureauImplementation: Food andEnvironmental HygieneDepartment	28	Around 200 PPEL holders and 360 temporary PPEL (TPPEL) holders	The application period ended on 28 January 2021. 161 PPEL applications and 262 TPPEL applications were received. As at 29 January 2021, 84 PPEL application and 100 TPPEL applications were approved, and a total of \$10.4 million of subsidy were disbursed.

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		Expenditure (\$M)	Beneficiaries	
14.	Amusement Game Centres Subsidy Scheme	24	Around 240 amusement game centre operators	The application period started on 30 December 2020 and will end on 30 January 2021. As at 29 January 2021, 242 applications were received,
	Policy Bureau: Home Affairs Bureau			of which 34 eligible applications were approved and \$3.4 million of subsidy were disbursed.
	Implementation: Office of the Licensing Authority under the Home Affairs Department			
15.	Cinemas Subsidy Scheme Policy Bureau: Commerce and Economic Development Bureau Implementation: Create Hong Kong	20.4	Eight cinema circuits (with 54 cinemas in total) and seven standalone cinemas	All eligible cinemas circuits and cinemas had submitted applications and their applications were approved, involving a total subsidy amount of \$20.4 million. Disbursement of subsidy to all successful applicants is expected to be completed by early-February 2021.
16.	Sports and Recreational Sites Subsidy Scheme Policy Bureau: Home Affairs Bureau (HAB) Implementation: HAB	8	Operators of sports and recreational facilities on sites granted by the Government.	The application period ended on 29 January 2021. A total of 77 applications were received, of which 61 have been approved and \$6.1 million of subsidy were disbursed. Vetting of the remaining applications is in progress.
17.	Mahjong/Tin Kau Licence Holder Subsidy Scheme	7	66 holders of Mahjong/Tin Kau Licence	The application period started on 30 December 2020 and will end on 30 January 2021. As at 29 January 2021, 66 applications were received,

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	Policy Bureau: Home Affairs Bureau			of which 65 eligible applications were approved and \$6.5 million of subsidy were disbursed. Processing of the remaining 1 application is in
	Implementation: Office of the Licensing Authority under the Home Affairs Department			progress.
18.	Places of AmusementLicence Holders SubsidySchemePolicy Bureau: HomeAffairs BureauImplementation: Leisureand Cultural ServicesDepartment	6	59 licensed billiard establishments, public bowling-alleys and public skating rinks	The application period started on 5 January 2021 and will end on 4 February 2021. As at 29 January 2021, 50 applications were received. Vetting of applications is in progress and subsidy has not been disbursed yet.
19.	Further subsidy to commercial bathhousesPolicy Bureau: Food and Health BureauImplementation: Food and Environmental Hygiene Department	5	Around 50 commercial bathhouses	The application period ended on 28 January 2021, with 45 applications received. As at 29 January 2021, 10 applications were approved and \$1 million of subsidy was disbursed.

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

Item	Measure	Estimated Expenditure (\$M)	Estimated No. of Beneficiaries	Implementation Progress
1.	Application of Anti-virus Coating for Residential Care Homes for the Elderly and Residential Care Homes for Persons with Disabilities Policy Bureau: Labour and Welfare Bureau Implementation: Social Welfare Department	76	761 residential care homes for the elderly (RCHEs) and 328 residential care homes for persons with disabilities (RCHDs)	<ul> <li>The Scheme funds and supports all eligible RCHEs and RCHDs in the application of anti-virus coating on their premises.</li> <li>The spray of anti-virus coating is required to start by 31 August and complete by 30 November 2020. The application closed on 3 August 2020. A total of 1 064 applications were received (from 742 RCHEs and 322 RCHDs), which represents about 98% of the invited homes. As of 29 January 2021, the actual spending was around \$59 million.</li> </ul>
2.	<ul> <li>Enhancing Support for Testing Service on COVID-19</li> <li>Policy Bureau: Innovation and Technology Bureau/Food and Health Bureau</li> <li>Implementation: Innovation and Technology Commission and Department of Health</li> </ul>	207.5	Up to 2 400 additional tests are expected to be carried out per day in the public sector.	The University of Hong Kong (HKU) and the Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) have started providing testing services since early September 2020. Equipment in the Department of Health (DH)'s satellite laboratory in the Hong Kong Children's Hospital is also in full operation. As at 29 January 2021, over 357 200 additional tests have been carried out, and the committed expenses amounted to around \$207.5 million.

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3.	Training Subsidies for Employers of Engineering Graduates Policy Bureau: Labour and Welfare Bureau Implementation: Vocational Training Council	77.72	Employers of additional 728 engineering graduates under the Engineering Graduate Training Scheme in the 2020- 21 cohort	The Scheme provides subsidies to prospective employers of engineering graduates with a view to sustaining the provision of vocational training opportunities. The Vocational Training Council has completed the processing of applications received and allocated all of the 1 000 subsidy quotas (including the 728 additional quotas under the measure) to employers in June 2020. The first batch of trainees concerned commenced training in July 2020, and subsidy will be given to eligible employers for up to 18 months from October 2020 onwards. As at 29 January 2021, \$1.2 million has been disbursed to VTC. It is expected that the measure will be completed by Q3 2022.
4.	Anti-epidemic Subsidy Scheme for the Laundry Trade Policy Bureau: Environment Bureau Implementation: Environmental Protection Department	85	1 400 laundry shops or workshops	The Scheme provides a one-off subsidy to each eligible laundry shop or workshop depending on the size of operation, ranging from \$10,000 to \$150,000. Assessment of all 1 443 applications received have been completed, with a total subsidy of \$84.8 million disbursed. The Scheme has completed.

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5.	Subsidy Scheme for Employment Agencies Policy Bureau: Labour and Welfare Bureau Implementation: Labour Department	102.62	About 3 000 licensed employment agencies (EAs), including about 1 250 employment agencies that provide foreign domestic helper (FDH) placement service	<ul> <li>The Scheme provides a one-off subsidy to EAs, primarily for those providing FDH placement service, so as to help them tide over the difficulties during the COVID-19 epidemic.</li> <li>The application period closed on 21 July 2020. 2 642 applications were received, of which 2 578 applications were approved, with a total subsidy of \$102.62 million disbursed to eligible applicants. The scheme has completed.</li> </ul>
6.	<ul> <li>100% Credit Limit Top-Up Scheme</li> <li>Policy Bureau: Commerce and Economic Development Bureau</li> <li>Implementation: Hong Kong Export Credit Insurance Corporation</li> </ul>	300	Exporters	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). The Scheme commenced on 8 June 2020 was originally scheduled to run for six months until 8 December 2020. To continue providing enhanced support to exporters, the Scheme has been extended for six months to 8 June 2021. 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.

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				As of 29 January 2021, 8 031 credit limits were uplifted, of which 1 823 were new credit limits. Of the \$20.624 billion of credit limits benefiting from the Scheme, the top-up portion accounted for 45% (\$9.274 billion). The cumulative amount of shipments covered under the top-up portion amounted to \$4.69 billion, with outstanding shipments totaling \$808 million.
7.	Subsidy to vehicle maintenance workshops Policy Bureau: Transport and Housing Bureau Implementation: Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (EMSD)	143.95	2 879 vehicle maintenance workshops	A one-off non-accountable subsidy of \$50,000 was provided to each eligible vehicle maintenance workshop which could meet the specified criteria. The application period ended on 14 August 2020. EMSD had processed all eligible applications at the end of November 2020, and completed the vetting of subsequent appeal cases in early January 2021. As of 29 January 2021, out of the 3 134 applications received, 2 879 cases including appeal cases were approved, with \$139.85 million of subsidy disbursed to 2 797 applications (i.e. about 97% of approved applications).
8.	One-off Subsidy Scheme for the Dishware Washing Trade Policy Bureau: Food and Health Bureau	2.87	Around 60 dishware washing operators	The Scheme provides financial support to operators in the dishware washing trade whose business were seriously affected by the outbreak of COVID-19. The Scheme provides a one-off subsidy of \$80,000 or \$150,000 to each eligible dishware washing operator who carries on a dishware washing business according to its average monthly water consumption.

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	Implementation: Food and Environmental Hygiene Department			The application period ended on 15 July 2020. A total of 29 applications were received, of which 28 were approved, with \$2.87 million of subsidy disbursed. The scheme has completed.
9.	Special Subsidy to Chinese Gold and Silver Exchange (CGSE) members and practitioners registered with CGSE	2.51	102 CGSE members with valid trading licence and some 550 practitioners registered with CGSE	The Scheme provides cash subsidies to CGSE members and practitioners registered with CGSE in the gold-trading industry whose businesses were seriously affected by the COVID-19.
	Policy Bureau: Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau Implementation: Financial			The application period ended on 31 July 2020. 97 (95%) and 475 (86%) valid applications from CGSE members and practitioners were received respectively. We have completed disbursement to all eligible applicants. The amount of subsidy disbursed was \$2.51 million. The measure has
	Services and the Treasury Bureau			completed.
10.	Further subsidy to cooked food tenants operating in public housing developments with hawker licences	1.71	Some 40 licensed fixed-pitch (cooked food or light refreshment) hawkers operating in public housing developments	The Scheme provides a one-off subsidy of \$45,000 to each eligible fixed-pitch (cooked food or light refreshment) hawker licensee operating in public housing developments. The application period ended on 17 August 2020.
	Policy Bureau: Food and Health Bureau			A total of 40 applications were received, amongst which 38 were approved, with \$1.71 million of subsidy disbursed. The measure has completed.
	Implementation: Food and Environmental Hygiene Department			

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11.	Installation of Gas Water Heaters at non-Quarantine units of Chun Yeung Estate Policy Bureau: Transport and Housing Bureau Implementation: Hong Kong Housing Authority	10.2	Around 1,675 public rental housing flats	The Scheme installs gas water heaters to the non- quarantine units in Chun Yeung Estate, which will be provided to the tenants upon intake, as a one-off special arrangement. The measure has completed, involving around \$10.2 million.
12.	<ul> <li>Procurement of Private COVID-19 Testing Services</li> <li>Policy Bureau: Commerce and Economic</li> <li>Development Bureau, Education Bureau, Environment Bureau, Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau, Food and Health Bureau, Home Affairs Bureau, Labour and Welfare Bureau, Security Bureau, Transport and Housing Bureau</li> <li>Implementation: relevant bureaux and departments</li> </ul>	1,460	Testing has been carried out for around 1 843 000 beneficiaries	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. Since the commencement of the fourth wave of epidemic from mid-November 2020 to 29 January 2021, the Government has conducted more than 2.9 million tests, of which 4 781 samples tested preliminarily positive (0.16%), successfully cutting silent transmission chains in the community.

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				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.
				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 school teachers, staff of restaurants and bars, and designated frontline employees of Kwai Tsing Container Terminals. New targeted groups including foreign domestic helpers and workers from construction sites have been added.
				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 188 specimen collection packs distribution points (namely designated general outpatient clinics of the Hospital Authority, 121 post offices, and vending machines at 20 MTR stations) and 83 collection points. The above three channels can distribute over 40 000 specimen collection packs per day, while the 19 Community

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				Testing Centres also have a total daily capacity of more than 20 000 tests.
				As at 29 January 2021, a total cost of around \$594 million has tentatively incurred.
13.	Funding for Provision of about 2 000 Quarantine Units at Penny's BayPolicy Bureau: Food and Health Bureau, Development BureauImplementation: Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD), Architectural Services Department (ArchSD)	1,725	2,000 quarantine units in Penny's Bay	<ul> <li>The works were implemented under three works packages, two by ArchSD and one by CEDD. The works package by CEDD of 300 quarantine units was completed on 11 November 2020 and the two works packages by ArchSD of 1,700 quarantine units were completed on 23 and 24 November 2020 respectively. All quarantine units had been handed over to Department of Health for operation.</li> <li>The whole measures has completed in November 2020, with an actual expenditure of \$1,246 million incurred as at 29 January 2021. The account will be finalised in end 2021 upon the end of the one-year defect liability period.</li> </ul>
14.	Relocation and expansion of test and hold facilities of Department of Health Policy Bureau: Food and Health Bureau	515	Maximum "test and hold" capacity would be about 3 900	The Scheme (a) relocates and expands the Temporary Specimen Collection Centre ("TSCC") in AsiaWorld-Expo to the Midfield Concourse of the Hong Kong International Airport, and (b) engages a new holding hotel with higher capacity for arriving travellers who need to wait overnight for their COVID-19 test result.

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	Implementation: Department of Health, Hong Kong Airport Authority			<ul> <li>The test and hold facilities in AsiaWorld-Expowere relocated to the Midfield Concourse of the Hong Kong International Airport on 18 August 2020. Meanwhile, the Holding Centre for Test Results ("HCTR") was relocated to Dorsett Tsuen Wan on 17 August 2020, and to Rambler Garden Hotel in Tsing Yi on 19 October 2020. Rambler Garden Hotel has ceased operation as HCTR on 26 December 2020 following the introduction of a rapid polymerase chain reaction test at TSCC on 24 December 2020. With a faster result turn-around-time, the need for a holding hotel was obviated.</li> <li>The actual spending as at 29 January 2021 is around \$130 million.</li> </ul>
15.	Universal Community Testing Programme Policy Bureau: Civil Service Bureau in coordination with Food and Health Bureau, Innovation and Technology Bureau, Home Affairs Bureau, Financial Services and Treasury Bureau <sup>3</sup>	530	All	The Universal Community Testing Programme which provides all Hong Kong residents without symptoms a one-off COVID-19 test for free commenced on 1 September 2020, and lasted until 14 September 2020. Some 6 000 healthcare personnel were recruited to perform specimen collection and more than 4 000 serving government employees and retired civil servants were deployed to take up registration, administrative support and centre management duties at the Community Testing Centres. Around 1.783 million persons

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> All other bureaux are helping to nominate their staff as administrative staff of the community testing centres and releasing their staff to do the test.

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	Implementation: Civil Service Bureau			were tested and more than 40 cases were identified through the Programme.
				The programme has been completed.
16.	<ul> <li>Pyrotechnics and Special Effects Operators Subsidy Scheme</li> <li>Policy bureau: Commerce and Economic Development Bureau</li> <li>Implementation: Create Hong Kong</li> </ul>	0.99	All special effects operators and assistants holding at least one valid Special Effects Operator or Special Effects Assistant licence between 1 January and 30 September 2020 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 AEF	The application period ended on 13 November 2020, with 144 applications received. A total of \$0.99 million subsidy has been disbursed to 132 eligible applicants. The Scheme has completed.
17.	Tourism IndustryAdditional SupportSchemePolicy Bureau: Commerceand EconomicDevelopment Bureau	564	Some 1 680 travel agents; 19 000 travel agents' staff members and freelance accredited practitioner whose main occupation is tourist guide or tour escort, and about 3 400 tour service coach driver	The Scheme was launched on 27 November 2020. As at 29 January 2021, a total of around \$513 million of subsidy were disbursed to some 1 570 travel agents and some 20 900 eligible practitioners.

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	Implementation: Tourism Commission			
18.	Designated Quarantine Hotel Scheme Policy Bureau: Food and Health Bureau Implementation: Department of Health	332.1	At most 36 hotels, depending on their occupancy rate during the contract period	The Designated Quarantine Hotel Scheme, which has been fully implemented since 22 December 2020, mandates that all returnees who have stayed in places outside China to undergo the compulsory quarantine at designated quarantine hotels. There are at present 36 designated quarantine hotels in the Scheme. The occupation rate of the hotels so far is around 60% on average. We will continue to closely monitor the demand and supply of hotel rooms for the returnees to ensure that there is adequate supply of various types of rooms with different price range to meet their needs. As the current list of hotels is only valid until 19 February 2021, we have conducted the second round of invitation for expression for interest exercise to hotels and guesthouses for joining the Scheme by issuing invitation letters on 5 January 2021, and announced the list of hotels and guesthouses being selected for the second round on 18 January after assessment. There are altogether 36 hotels on the list for the second round, providing supply of some 10 000 rooms of different types and price rates. 32 of them are hotels from the first round, while the other 4 hotels are newly-joined.

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19.	Greater Bay Area Youth Employment Scheme	376	Some 2 000 graduates who have obtained, or will obtain,	The Scheme was launched on 8 January 2021 and has started receiving enrolment and job vacancies
	Employment Scheme		their bachelor's degrees or	from enterprises. As at 29 January 2021, over
	Policy Bureau: Labour and		above in 2019 to 2021	900 job vacancies were received. After
	Welfare Bureau,			processing and vetting, the vacancies were
	Innovation and Technology Bureau			uploaded to the dedicated website of the scheme progressively starting from 21 January 2021 for
	Duicau			graduates to apply. The graduates are required to
	Implementation: Labour			start employment by end August 2021.
	Department, Innovation			
	and Technology Bureau			