Places of Amusement Licence Holders Subsidy Scheme under sixth-round of Anti-epidemic Fund to open for application

A spokesman for the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) said today (February 21) that the Places of Amusement Licence Holders Subsidy Scheme, relaunched under the sixth round of the Anti-epidemic Fund, will open for application on February 23. The Scheme provides a one-off subsidy of \$100,000 to billiard establishments, public bowling alleys and public skating rinks operating with a licence issued under the Places of Amusement Regulation (Cap. 132BA). It aims to provide subsidies to the eligible licence holders whose businesses have been directly affected by the anti-epidemic and social distancing measures imposed by the Government.

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) are eligible for application. Eligible licence holders should submit their applications to the Licensing and Prosecution Unit under the LCSD. The deadline for application is March 8. Upon submission of the completed application form and supporting documents, the disbursement of subsidies could generally be made in batches around two weeks after the deadline for application.

The application form and guidelines will be sent to each licence holder by post or can be obtained from the LCSD's website (www.lcsd.gov.hk). For enquiries, please contact the Licensing and Prosecution Unit at 2601 8799.