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**Islands District Council  
Community Affairs, Culture and Recreation Committee  
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**Question on fairness of district fund allocations**

Ms Amy YUNG notified this Council that she would raise the following enquiry at the Community Affairs, Culture and Recreation Committee (CACRC) meeting to be held on 18 March 2020:

“ According to the allocation record of Islands District Council funds for Community Involvement Projects in 2018/19, a total of \$3.92 million were allocated by CACRC to local groups for organising 190 activities.

While the population of Tung Chung constitutes close to 60% of that of Islands District, its local groups received only some \$500,000 as activity subsidy, representing about \$5.2 per capita; and the funding per capita of Discovery Bay was even less, only \$2.1. On the contrary, although Lamma Island has only some 6 000 residents or 3.4% of the Islands District population, its local groups received over 10% of the total amount of funding, representing about \$67.4 per capita, which was equivalent to twelve-fold of that of Tung Chung.

Of the 10 local groups with the largest amount of funding, seven were Rural Committees (RCs), and the funding allocated to the eight RCs of Islands District accounted for 43% of the total funding for all local groups.

As such, I would like the representative of the Islands District Office to respond to the following:

1. How would the fairness of funding be improved so that areas with larger population would receive more resources?
2. How would CACRC make better use of resources for the benefit of the needy civil groups instead of continuing to subsidise RCs which are already financially powerful?
3. Given the increasing population of Discovery Bay and Tung Chung, could district festival activities be held annually for these two areas, as they are being held in some other areas? ”

Islands District Council Secretariat

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