

SPORTS COMMISSION

Progress Report of the Elite Sports Committee

INTRODUCTION

This paper reports on the work of the Elite Sports Committee (ESC) since the last update to the Sports Commission (SC) in March 2017.

PROGRESS UPDATE

2. At the meeting held on 25 August 2017, ESC Members discussed the following issues.

Review of Elite Vote Support System

3. The findings of the review of the Elite Vote Support System (EVSS) were considered in details by the ESC Members. In addition to the proposed refinements to the system, it was also proposed that the next evaluation to be postponed to cover results over four years (2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020) for assessment under the revised EVSS in early 2021 to allow sufficient time for sports to adapt the revised scoring system.

4. ESC Members endorsed the recommendations with regard to the review and recommended their submission to SC for review and endorsement.

Pilot Scheme for Elite Vote Support System for Disability Sports

5. As announced by the Chief Executive in the 2015 Policy Address, a consultancy study was commissioned on how to support disabled athletes and promote sports participation by people with disabilities (PWDs) in a more comprehensive manner. The Home Affairs Bureau (HAB) subsequently established a Working Committee to advise on the study. Having consolidated the views and comments received during the consultation exercise, HAB

consulted the Working Committee in June 2017 on the action plan to take forward the consultancy. Given the status of development varies among different para sports, the Working Committee agreed, among others, to adopt an EVSS for disability sports through a pilot scheme to allow –

- (a) individual sports to build up a junior squad for sustainable development; and
- (b) stakeholders concerned to establish an appropriate elite training model for individual para sports.

6. ESC Members endorsed the proposed framework of the pilot scheme and recommended its submission to the SC for consideration and approval for implementation in Q4 of 2017.

Enhancement Programme for Team-only Sports

7. With a view to assisting team-only sports in achieving better results in regional and international tournaments and attaining elite sport status, it was proposed to introduce a 5-year enhancement programme for eight team-only sports. It was also proposed that a Generic Scoring Table (team-only sports), with different benchmarks for elite support, should be established after the 2018 Asian Games as the basis of targets at the 2021 Asian Winter Games and 2022 Asian Games.

8. ESC Members endorsed the above proposals and recommended their submission to the SC for consideration and approval.

ADVICE SOUGHT

9. Members are invited to note the progress reported above.

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