## Comments from 18 DCs and District Facilities Management / Culture and Recreation Committees

The CSC Chairman met with the Chairpersons of the 18 DCs and the Chairpersons of the respective district facilities management committees/culture and recreation committees on 17 June 2009 to introduce the key findings of the Study and the specific follow-up action plan to them. Members showed support to the Action Plan. Views and feedbacks collected from DC's representatives were summarized as follows:

- i. As swimming has been identified as the most want-to-learn-sport. Some members suggested to introduce swimming pool monthly ticket scheme and upgrade some of the existing pools to heated pool so as to encourage people to have more regular participation in physical activities throughout the year;
- To use different incentives such as concessionary rate for different aged groups to raise their interest in and awareness of the importance of regular participation in physical activities;
- iii. "Participation Award Scheme" should be organised to encourage people to participate in physical activities;
- iv. Government departments should take a leading role to encourage and provide more opportunities for their staff to engage in physical activities;
- v. To organise more dance and movement activities in parks or other open spaces easily accessible to public;
- vi. Some parents might have the impression that participation in physical

activities would affect students' academic result, thereby discouraging their children to spend time to take part in physical activities. Existing arrangements should be reviewed to consider giving credit to performance in sport and physical education in the admission policy adopted by universities;

- vii. The message on regular participation in physical activities should be disseminated more effectively to students through schools;
- viii. Additional resources in terms of funding, facilities and manpower, is needed for promoting Sport for All; and
- ix. Studies should be conducted on obesity of students.

The above views and suggestions will be considered in the formulation and implementation of the action plan.