

INTERNATIONAL DIVERSIFIED LIFE-EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

ANALYSIS OF THE BENEFIT AND DISADVANTAGES OF THE GREATER BAY AREA



INTRO

Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area, AKA GBA. As we all know is a megalopolis, consisting of nine cities and two special administrative regions in South China. Includes Guangdong province (Guangzhou, Shenzhen, Zhuhai, Foshan, Dongguan, Zhongshan, Jiangmen, Huizhou, and Zhao Qing) as well as the two Special Administrative Regions, Hong Kong, and Macau. To be honest, the development place of it is huge. Especially for Hong Kong, I believe Hong Kong will be the most important point in GBA. Why would I say that? It is because Hong Kong is a unique place to Mainland. It was a city for China to connect to the world in the past. As one of the world's leading international financial centers, Hong Kong is not only the preferred location for financial services but also home to many financial institutions. Hong Kong's financial markets operate under effective, transparent and international standards of supervision. Located in the heart of Asia, Hong Kong is closely integrated with the mainland and connected to the rest of the world. Hong Kong's advantages include a sound legal system, a simple and low tax system, a free flow of funds, a wide range of financial products, and a large pool of financial talents. In are economics. The GDP of Hong Kong is one of the highest in the GBA. Hong Kong can develop more in different ways in GBA.

EDUCATION



BENEFIT

Hong Kong is known for its world-class university, according to the Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) 2022 World University Rankings, four of the eight funded universities are in the top 60 in the world, and three of them are in the top ten in the 2021 Times Higher Education Asia University Rankings, and three new universities are in the top ten in the 2022 Times Higher Education World University Rankings. Hong Kong's study environment is one of the best in the world. I believe Hong Kong can do more in this area. It would be helpful if the university opened some branches in China and Hong Kong. This would ease the prejudices of Hong Kong teenagers against China. For example, regarding to the Joint International College in Zhuhai which founded by Hong Kong Baptist University and Beijing Normal University in 2005. Or, like the sister school project. Make more communication opportunities for Hong Kong and mainland students, helping to change the image of teenagers in Hong Kong. While these two are more efficient, the Youth Internship Program is the least efficient. Their main target is different. Due to the limited supply of materials, only a few people can join this type of program. Teenagers can go to the mainland to study and experience life there.

DISADVANTAGE

However, it will bring another problem. Bullying, the mainland students might become targets for bullying. Many factors contribute to this, such as language, and culture. First, language. Not all the GBA students speak Cantonese. It is hard to be accepted by other Hong Kong teenagers when speaking an uncommon language for them. They might laugh at them or not want to communicate with them. The GBA students may feel depressed and only communicate with other GBA students. It is not the purpose of making these projects. These projects aim to improve Hong Kong's relationship with the mainland, not exacerbate it.

EDUCATION



SUGGESTION

Based on all of that, there is an effort by the government to make more connections between Hong Kong and the mainland. This is to enhance acceptance of the mainland by Hong Kong teenagers. It is a known fact that Hong Kong teenagers mostly dislike the mainland. There are several reasons for Hong Kong teenagers' misperception of the mainland. Hong Kong teenagers believe mainlanders are rude. Since Hong Kong teenagers were children, they have been instilled with a negative notion about the mainland, such as throwing rubbish anywhere, open defecation, and copycatting. Although most of these problems have been resolved these days, they still linger in the minds of Hong Kong teenagers. It still prevails in Hong Kong that people have a prejudice against mainlanders. Teenagers in Hong Kong feel they are better than mainlanders because of the above, and the law problem is another reason. In Hong Kong, we have different laws from the mainland. In Teenagers' view, mainlanders are living in a prison. Since many things are forbidden on the mainland, Hong Kong teenagers are against it. A cooperative relationship with the mainland school can fix the problem, and time will also wash it away. However, Hong Kong teenagers' bad impression of mainland laws is hard to change. They are afraid to be limited since they have been living a free life since they were children. It is how Hong Kong teens feel if they must follow mainland laws. I believe that if we fix this problem. Hong Kong will be able to truly return to China.



SUGGESTION

Organizing some events can help to change the image, for example, the sister school project can be used for that. Select some students from each school and let them form groups of two to four, each group should communicate daily for at least 1 hour. During that time, they are free to share their experiences or knowledge. Just like their favorite music or movie. Sharing the same habit can help to improve the relationship. And some missions can be required to do; for instance, Hong Kong students teach the mainland students a few Cantonese words. At the end of any activity or event, check to see if the students' images have changed. Also, survey to see if participants still have a connection to mainland students 3, 6, and 12 months after the activity or event. The survey can help to improve the event or help organize some new events.

To attract people to go to the GBA study, more benefits are necessary. For example,

If a student from Hong Kong or Macao participates in the National College Entrance Examination (NCEE), it will be easier for them to get into a better university. Like they can have extra points on it. Or it can be easier for them to have the scholarship.

TOURISM



BENEFIT

Tourism has always been one of the most important parts of our economy. The market size of tourism is considerable, and tourism continues to grow. Based on tourism statistics released by the cities of the GBA, it has received more than 700 million tourists and almost half of them choose to stay more than 1 night. The tourism industry generated about 1.08 trillion HKD in revenue. In this case, tourism proved to be very important for the GBA.

For the tourists, there are a lot of attractions at the GBA that are worth checking out, including theme parks, and cultural heritage. For example, Ocean Park and Big Buddha. Especially for the cultural heritages, the GBA has a wealth of them which can be utilized for tourism development, like the Archaeological Site Museum of Nanyue Palace in Guangzhou and the Zhaoqing Xianhua Temple. Diverse types of attractions can keep the tourists feeling fresh. The attractions that haven't been visited before would entice tourists to return. Hong Kong didn't have this advantage before because people didn't connect Hong Kong with the other cities; Hong Kong was connected to Macau at most. There are not enough attractions in Hong Kong and Macau because the area size is too small, and Hong Kong and Macau do not have as extensive a history as the other nine cities. Once the tourists come to Hong Kong and Macau and stay a few days, they will feel bored because most of the attractions have been visited, and the appearance of the GBA has solved this problem perfectly.

DISADVANTAGE

A coordinated development pattern has still not been established in the mainland, Hong Kong, and Macau, and the integration of tourism resources is insufficient. Despite many years of cooperation between the mainland, Hong Kong and Macao in tourism, the scope of cooperation is only limited to the level of promotion. There is no coordinated development situation with distinct features and division of labor.



SUGGESTION

Currently, the challenge is how to link the attractions in Hong Kong, Macau, and the mainland. Here's some advice to consider. To link them together, what needs to be considered is how to introduce the other attractions and engage the tourists. An application can be developed and cooperate with other companies. The main purpose of the application is to lead the tourists to other attractions. For that, we can set some rewards. To get the rewards, people need to go to different attractions and sign in to collect some points. Maybe the system can follow the vaccine one, which is now Hong Kong used for checking whether people take the vaccine. Setting some counters in different attractions, people have their QR codes, and they need to put their phones under the machine for scanning. The account can only be changed 1 time to avoid people cheating. To lure the tourists going to different cities, we can set some "star point" in a place of each city and change it every month. The "star point" will give the tourists double points. And the rewards, designing some mascots might be a good idea. If the tourists get enough points, they can use the point to exchange the mascot object.

For example, the figure mascot object will change every year, and the old one won't be produced again. That can attract people to come more. The extra point can be used to exchange some coupons or tickets to theme parks like Disneyland and Ocean Park. And the point will be clear every year. Moreover, we can design a website. If the tourists collect enough points, the website saves their name and sends a website link and a special code by SMS or email. After they get to the website and enter the special code, they can receive an online certificate to thank them for their coming. The code won't be deleted, so they can check it all the time they want. It is also proof that they have come to the GBA. The tourists will be glad about that. If the suggestion succeeds, tourists visit rate will be increased to the GBA every year.

TOURISM



SUGGESTION

An innovative visa system is necessary for tourism. To prevent tourists from feeling irritated when dealing with the visa. Priority must be given to simplifying the visa process. That will affect the willingness of tourists to visit the GBA again. So, the visa customs clearance services should be more convenient, comfortable, and efficient. For example, tourists will be able to visit all cities of the GBA with a single visa.

Also, some free coupons can attract tourists too. In each season, the government can cooperate with some companies, and send some digital coupons with limitations. For example, a coupon can only be used in Hong Kong or can be used in a shop in Guangdong. This will attract the tourists to go to different cities to consume. And some of the coupons can be used to buy the (sim card or pocket WIFI router). It is a problem that tourists care about. Because, regarding the roaming data is it real too expensive.

TRAFFIC



BENEFIT

Hong Kong is a major part of the GBA. The traffic system is complete in Hong Kong. From Hong Kong, travelers have a variety of transportation options for exploring the GBA. For example, high-speed passenger ferries, shuttle buses, and high-speed rail. Tourists can have a pleasant experience, and this has had a substantial impact on the development of tourists in GBA.

Moreover, logistics have improved as well. There are different kinds of transportation available to deliver the products most conveniently. Product transfer can be sped up and costs reduced. Citizens can be benefited, for example, if citizens buy products from online shopping websites, like Taobao, they can do so with lower delivery fees. Not only that but more transportation companies will also be attracted to develop in Hong Kong. Due to Hong Kong's status as a free port, there are no traffic and no permit system like on the mainland, making it easier to transport goods from Hong Kong. Therefore, many goods from other cities in the GBA can be transported to Hong Kong to then be transported overseas. Based on these points, traffic can help in different ways to the GBA.

DISADVANTAGE

As a result of that, it will be very crowded in the traffic system. The more products need to be transported; the more vehicles are required. For example, since goods from the mainland are transported to Hong Kong by trucks, the roads of Hong Kong are more prone to getting stuck. It is a fast-paced city in Hong Kong, so getting stuck and wasting time must frustrate the Hong Kong citizens. If the problem stems from the GBA, there is no doubt they will complain about it. The pollution problem should also be considered, in a crowded transport system, pollution will rise. The environment will deteriorate. The citizens will complain about it too.

TRAFFIC



SUGGESTION

It is necessary to build some new roads just for logistics. Traffic in Hong Kong can be relieved by building new roads. The time of the transport can be reduced, and the Hong Kong traffic will be less congested. The citizens will be more likely to accept the GBA since they can see the benefits. And the cost of building the roads should be distributed on average by all cities in the GBA, to prevent people from feeling that the government is wasting money but not on their citizens. It is also necessary to consider the visa issue because the process is still too long. The driver should be able to travel throughout GBA with a visa. It is possible to reduce the time it takes to process visas. To make the 1-hour living circle, the traffic problem must be improved. Adding more ferries or buses can help that, the price can also be considered reduced.

Maybe the censorship process can be more automatic. For example, using the Face ID system to check the ID card of the driver. Not only can that but the certified documents with also be scanned to see whether same as it has been registered. If it is not or hard to identify, and then send it to the censors to confirm it. It will reduce the time wasted on censoring.

Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge can be used more in transportation. Passing through from it can make the travel time between Hong Kong and Zhuhai, Macau, and Guangdong drastically reduced by more than 3 hours compared to passing through the Human Pearl River Bridge and the highway between Guangzhou and Shenzhen. The time of going through the GBA can be reduced a lot. This is in keeping with the one-hour living cycle.

SOCIAL WELFARE



BENEFIT

The GBA places great emphasis on social welfare. For the citizens, social welfare is the most important thing that the citizen cares about. When compared with other things, social welfare is the thing that the citizens are directly affected by. The area of social welfare is huge, including medical, insurance, etc. The citizens are provided public housing for the citizens, helping them to have a living place. Medical care protects the citizens' health, allowing them to see doctors at a low cost. Insurance helps citizens to pay money if they have got hurt or the important things get damaged. The money is provided for the citizens for healing fees, repair fees, etc. And the social welfare for different types of special needs people. For example, the elderly, children, struggling families, and the physically challenged. These people need more help from society because their ability is lower than that of a normal adult. In Hong Kong, the elderly have old age allowance for them. For the struggling families, they are provided the allowance for their children to study. The physically challenged are provided different types of allowance.

DISADVANTAGE

The different area has their social welfare and the GBA needs to consider it more because the system is different between the mainland and Hong Kong. The mainland's social welfare is different from Hong Kong's. This part is argumentative because of the difference in social welfare. The argument is that workers should follow their birthplace or their workplace. And the insurance coverage area is also a problem. Not all insurance is covering the whole GBA; the citizen may be careless about that.

SOCIAL WELFARE



SUGGESTION

Social welfare should be considered more on how to deal with the argument. Social welfare is based on the need of the area. The citizens should follow the social welfare that they used to have, but it is also allowed to have some of the social welfare in the other cities of the GBA. The combination of social welfare is necessary. Insurance is also important; more people work in different areas of the GBA. The citizens need more protection for their health and property. The insurance coverage should be the whole GBA and need to encourage the insurance company to do that. Supporting the promotion of the insurance may be successful. The citizens are more willing to buy insurance that the government supported. The gap between the insurance companies will increase. The insurance company won't let this happen. But if keeping tough, they will agree to expand the coverage.

After the shock of the covid-19, many citizens are suffering from unemployment. Lots of people have lost their jobs because the economy has been affected. For example, like normal restaurants. Hong Kong has chosen to prohibit eating in the restaurant at night. And the gathering restriction order has decreased the willingness of people to go out. On the mainland, some cities have been blocked and need to stay at home for a long time. This has made the citizens' mental health worse. The government should focus more on it to help recover the mental health of the citizens.

LIFE OF THE GBA



BENEFIT

The population problem has always been the biggest in Hong Kong, to Hong Kong; the area isn't enough to handle that much population. The life of the GBA is the thing that needs to be considered. This does not only relax the pressure on the population of Hong Kong, but it has also benefited the Hong Kong citizens from the huge price of the property. Hong Kong property price is one of the highest in the world; citizens need to spend their whole life to pay the price. Most of them need a variety of generations to do that. And the GBA can help with that. In the other cities of the GBA, the property price is lower a lot. Citizens only need a few years can be have their own house. And the people who are suffering in poor, it can be easier to have a job in the GBA. They don't need to live in a subdivided flat. The citizens will have a life with good mental health. The GBA can have more population to create more benefits. And earn more money from selling property. The relationship between Hong Kong and the mainland will become closer.

DISADVANTAGE

Hong Kong citizens are more likely to go to other foreign countries, especially teenagers. It will be hard to attract the citizens to accept the GBA at the start. Citizens of the two cities have different attitudes toward each other is also a problem. The mainland people may not welcome the Hong Kong people.

The living styles of each city are different. Based on their education and experience, they will feel a strong sense of tearing from other living styles. The law problem is the same. For example, gambling in Macao is legal but it is not on the mainland. The new limitation in their life might make them uncomfortable.

LIFE OF THE GBA



SUGGESTION

Encouragement is necessary for people to have the life of the GBA. To do that, promoting the environment of the mainland is important. Changing the image of the Hong Kong citizens to the mainland and making some advertisements to promote the comparison of the price of the property between Hong Kong and the other cities of the GBA. The gap in the price must attract Hong Kong people. And the allowance for migration is necessary; the most appealing is the direct benefit. The government may sponsor the moving fees and help them to adapt to the environment. For example, if the citizens are willing to migrate to the GBA, they are provided the training course, like Putonghua, and programming, so they can be easier to find a new job and adapt to the environment. And they can live in the hotel for a month, giving time for them to find a new house. The voucher can also be considered provided.

The internet problem is worth to be considered. Hong Kong and Macau have different country calling codes, which are not the same as the mainland. The sim card can't be used in a different area. Due to the business problem, the sim card is unable to be used crossing the area. But making a sim card just for students can be considered. The students can use a sim card that allows them to use in the whole GBA. It can help the student, but also won't break the balance of telecommunications providers.

The lifestyle of the GBA is more suitable for the elderly. The lifestyle of Hong Kong is too quick for them. Eligible Hong Kong residents residing on the mainland may apply for a residence permit. The requirement and limits of the residence permit for the elderly should be lower. And need to promote the GBA to the elderly. Not all the elderly knows the benefits of the GBA. So need to put more time and care into it.

CULTURE



BENEFIT

The culture is huge in the GBA, instead of Hong Kong; the mainland culture has a long history. Hong Kong can learn a lot from them. In the traditional culture, music is one of the most famous. In Hong Kong, people are more likely to learn piano, and guitar, coming from other countries. But the Chinese instrument is also fantastic, like the pain, and echo. They can bring beautiful music too.

The most famous culture in the world from the mainland must be Chinese martial arts, more likely to be called “Chinese Kung Fu”. The Chinese martial arts are known by the world to cause of a famous star, Bruce Lee. And the other star Jacky Chan is also shown the world how strong Chinese martial arts is. In lots of foreign countries, people are showing respect for it. Chinese martial arts are being studied by many foreigners.

And the opera is the most famous culture in acting on the mainland. In that way, Hong Kong has a lot of experience in it. The opera is one of the signatures of Hong Kong. Di Nu Hua is the most famous opera of that. Guangdong is the same. In Hong Kong, the West Kowloon Cultural District combines local and traditional features with international and modern elements. Is the major commitment to the long-term development of culture and art? It is very famous in the world and the Chinese culture has been promoted well by it. The acting culture can be communicated too.

The acting culture like movies and TV shows is very famous in Hong Kong. Andy Lau, Stephen Chow, they all come from Hong Kong, and are the top actors. In music, Anita Mui, and George Lam, the legend of Chinese music. They also come from Hong Kong. The new generation of actors or singers can learn a lot from them.

CULTURE



BENEFIT

In modern, a lot of cultures are also worth learning from each other. For example, the food culture. Hong Kong-style milk tea, fish ball, egg tart. They are all famous food in Hong Kong. The Douhua, Suckling pig, this delicious food from the mainland.

Many cultures are worth being promoted, for example, someplace where famous people have lived or some brilliant building that was made in the past. For example, regarding to the Sun Light Garden on the Waterloo Road, which is the place where Bruce Lee lived before. Or Keyuan in Dong Guan, which is one of the Lingnan gardens. It is a Major Historical and Cultural Site Protected at the National Level. Full of traditional buildings can make people be impressed by the culture.

DISADVANTAGE

Promoting Chinese culture might be difficult in Hong Kong, for example, music. Hong Kong teenagers will learn piano and guitar these popular instruments in Hong Kong. The Chinese instruments aren't popular in Hong Kong, instead Chinese instruments, piano, and guitar is easier to attract people in Hong Kong.

Promoting Chinese martial art may not be easy in Hong Kong, because of the protection of Hong Kong parents to their children. The parent might not be willing to let their child try Chinese martial art because it is a sport that easy to get injured.

CULTURE



SUGGESTION

Some cultures can be promoted by the West Kowloon Cultural District. It is a place that is already famous in the world. The Chinese culture can be performed there. About the promotion of Chinese instruments, showing their beautiful performance of them may help a lot to improve the image. Holding some musical in every school can help with that. Improving the image of children and teenager on Chinese instruments are the first step. Holding some free musicals in public is the next step. Parents can bring their children to these musicals as their family events. Not only can promote the Chinese instruments, but also improve the relationship between parents and children.

And holding some shows that invite the famous actors or singers to teach the new generation. For example, “Our Song”, is a TV show that is broadcast on Dragon Television. In this show, they have invited George Lam as a teacher, and sing with the new generation. Making more shows like this must help the new generation of singers or actors a lot. Making a show with Andy Lau as a teacher might be a good idea.

Making some events to promote the culture is necessary. For example, the holding some tour groups to different places that are full of traditional culture in the GBA. Or make some video that introduces these places in local and foreign languages. The Chinese culture shouldn't just be known in the GBA, how to promote and attract the people in the world is the main point.

CULTURE



SUGGESTION

Providing a place just for people to know the culture in different areas of the GBA might be a good idea. In that place, need to build a museum. In the museum, people can know the brilliant building from different attractions. And a place for people to register a tour guide with hotel for people to rest. After visiting a museum, people would be more enthusiastic to visit the attractions. During that time, their passion is the highest. Put the registration occurs there is the best way to attract them to visit the attractions.

In promoting Chinese martial arts, attracting children is an important thing. The parent will try to know more about it because their child is interested in it. So, maybe promoting martial films is helpful. Children like to imitate actions on TV. Playing some martial films on the TV channel can help to arouse children's interest in martial arts.

MEDICAL SYSTEM



BENEFIT

The level of medical infrastructure equipment in Hong Kong is the third in the world, which is given 98.1 points in CEOWORLD magazine. And the mainland only got 69.67 points. And the mainland has better professional doctors than Hong Kong.

Traditional Chinese medicine and modern medicine are the main part of medicine. Traditional Chinese medicine is a traditional medicine that originated in China and has a history of thousands of years. And modern medicine originated in Europe in the 17th century. Although Hong Kong has both, Hong Kong citizens are more likely to believe in modern medicine. Traditional Chinese medicine famous on is using natural plants as a treatment approach. It has taken more time to heal, but the side effect is fewer. Modern medicine can heal the patient quickly, but the human body will have resistance to the same drug. The effect of it will be weaker if people take it too many times.

On the mainland, the use of technology in medicine is better than in Hong Kong. For example, the Second People's Hospital of Guangdong has already used AI to solve the problem of insufficient medical human resources. A diagnosis platform powered by artificial intelligence can not only read pictures and recognize images, but also recognize words and read medical records. It can act as a real doctor, by providing diagnosis reports, treatment advice, etc.

MEDICAL SYSTEM



DISADVANTAGE

The medical expenditures huge. The important is buying new medical infrastructure equipment will spend lots of money. The mainland has too many hospitals and is hard to make all of them have the most advanced medical infrastructure equipment.

The salary of the doctors is also a problem. In Hong Kong, the doctor is one of the jobs with a high salary. But on the mainland, some doctors might only have thousands of dollars each month. The salary of a doctor is based on their level, the type of hospital, and the department. The highest might be over ten thousand dollars per month. The gap is very huge. So, some doctors might try to get benefits from using high price drugs on the patient or taking extra cash from the patient. We can make the reputation of doctors get damaged.

People are less trusting of the primary care system. In their mind, the medical infrastructure equipment of the primary care system is very well. And the Doctor of it won't be very good because the salary of working in the primary care system is fewer.

MEDICAL SYSTEM



SUGGESTION

The mainland can allow some hospitals in each city to bring in the most advanced medical infrastructure equipment, to ensure that the patient can have the opportunity to get healed when they are having serious diseases or to check whether the patient has some sign of having diseases that danger their life, like cancer. The medical infrastructure equipment can follow Hong Kong hospitals. And Hong Kong can bring in some technology from the mainland, to solve the problem of insufficient medical human resources. Like the AI system. The doctor can save more patients with serious diseases. A patient with minor ailments can be treated in less time and with less expense.

The exchange of doctors is also a good idea. There can be a huge difference in skill levels between doctors in each department. Survey them to see their skill level and exchange some of them to different hospitals in the GBA. They can have more experience in other hospitals. Some of them might learn some skills from the senior doctors.

The cooperation between traditional Chinese medicine and modern medicine might be the future of medicine. If the advantages of traditional Chinese medicine and modern medicine are integrated and the disadvantages are eliminated, the development of medicine will go far. Providing a place for doctors and scientists to communicate is a good idea—for example, Apple Park, which is the corporate headquarters of Apple. Apple has spent 50 billion USD on it. To make sure their staff can have a good environment to work. Imagination is the major part that R&D needs. A good environment is very important. The place must have the best basic measures, like a dormitory, hospitals, and canteen. The scientists come from different cities in the GBA. So, make sure they can feel comfortable. All measures must keep open 24 hours. Pay more care about of the need of the scientist. Being focused is necessary for R&D. The scientists might work overtime and end work at midnight.

MEDICAL SYSTEM



SUGGESTION

The salary of the doctors should be increased on the mainland. Especially, for the special department must be to improve. All departments are important to the public. But if the gap in salary between each department is too high, no one would be willing to stay in the department with a low salary. So, some departments may have a worse problem of insufficient human resources. By solving this problem, the medical system will be better. The deterioration of insufficient human resources can be stopped, the doctor doesn't need to use high price drugs on the patient or make extra cash from the patient. The reputation of doctors can be saved. Also, the citizens can put more confidence in the primary care system, because the good doctor might stay there. The salary system can follow Hong Kong. The salary of the doctor in Hong Kong can keep a balance.

SPORTS



BENEFIT

Sports are one of the ways to show the soft power of a country. Lots of talented athletes are in the GBA. The areas of sports that Hong Kong and the mainland focus on are quite different. The mainland has the best table tennis athlete. In the part of table tennis, China has dominated the tennis table for a long time. The most famous athlete in table tennis is Zhang Yining. She has been named the “demon king” on the mainland. And in Hong Kong, the most famous sport must be windsurfing. The most iconic athlete is Lee Lai Shan, named “Queen of Wind” by the media of Hong Kong. And more and more athletes bring lots of glories back to the country.

Hong Kong has lots of chances to cooperate with the mainland in sports. For example, the equestrianism. Equestrianism is a sport that is included in Olympics. But the mainland has never gotten a medal on it. And Hong Kong has a long history on it. The Hong Kong Jockey Club is one of the largest horse racing institutions in the world. It has been organized 137 years ago. And, we are having two races of places. Hong Kong horse racing has gained international recognition, there are four prestigious horse races held in Hong Kong during the Hong Kong International Races. They are all Group 1 flat horse races, which is the highest level of horse racing.

The mainland has a well-developed in diving. In Olympics, the mainland has gained 47 gold medals, and the gap between the mainland and US is only 2 gold medals. Now mainland is ranking number 2 in the Olympics diving. Same as table tennis, the mainland has gained 32 gold medals, ranking number 1 in the Olympics. The number 2 is Korea, but they only have 2 gold medals. The table tennis team of the mainland is the best in the world. Hong Kong athletes can learn a lot from them.

SPORTS



DISADVANTAGE

The treatment of Hong Kong athletes is so bad. The lower level athletes are hard to live in Hong Kong. Lots of athletes have to give up their dream. Commonly, the knowledge level of Hong Kong athletes won't be high. So they can only find some jobs with low salaries.

The injury problem also needs to be considered more. Athletes getting injured are very common. But if the injured level is too high, they need to retire. In common, if the injury is serious enough for the athlete to retire, it must be some permanent injury. But the allowance and compensation for the athletes are not enough for the athletes to live. Due to the injury, the athletes are hard to find jobs again. That's the reason why Hong Kong has only a few athletes.

The sexual problem, women's sports have lower salaries than the man sports. Even if the women bring the better result. For example, football. The Chinese women's national football team has won the Women's Asian Cup nine times; butte highest annual salary of their athletes is only 1 million before tax. And the Chinese national football team's annual salary is over 20 million dollars. And their rank in the world is the lowest. The Chinese national football team has already been a joke on the mainland.

SPORTS



SUGGESTION

The athlete's problems must be considered. The athletes are not only performing themselves but also earning glory for the country. The treatments now are not enough for them. Hong Kong must work on it with the mainland. The distribution of materials must be considered well. The sports team that has good results should be rewarded. And it shouldn't be limited by the athletes' sex. To avoid problems like the national football team (China).

Hong Kong racecourses are available for mainland athletes to train in equestrian. The racecourses of Hong Kong are top in the world. And the rider of Hong Kong has gotten lots of medals from the Hong Kong International Races. Hong Kong has won 48 times in different races of the Hong Kong International Races. The mainland can send some athletes to Hong Kong to train up.

Hong Kong can also send some athletes; it is important to learn from each other. Utilizing all the advantages will help to improve. The athlete's efforts are important, but a good environment and resources can help them to improve better and faster.

SPORTS



SUGGESTION

Technology is also very useful for training athletes. For example, response capability. It is one of the most important abilities that athletes need to be trained. In the training, athletes need to press the virtual button following the numerical order at the fastest speed. The time limit will be fewer at each time end. It is safer training for athletes to train their response capability. Or train the movement and awareness. Setting a place for athlete's training. They need to wear a VR device and wear some clothes that are designed to detect the movement of the athletes. The VR device will show the sports they are training. Using football as an example. The athlete needs to go to the place that the guide leads to and use a suitable way to kick the ball. The athletes will be trained in the standard movement and position to kick the ball. In a long term, the athletes can handle the basic situation of competition. Maybe adding some emergencies after they have a standard movement is a good idea. They can learn how to deal the emergencies situation and improve their mental quality. Then, in a safe environment, athletes will be able to improve in all aspects.

ECONOMY



BENEFIT

Hong Kong is one of the world's leading international financial centers, with advantages including a completed legal system, low tax system, free flow of funds, comprehensive financial products, and many financial talents. It is also the third largest securities market in Asia and the fifth largest in the world. The economy of Hong Kong is already mature. The mainland's banks are establishing international capital and foreign exchange trading centers in Hong Kong and expanding their business activities there through acquisitions. In addition to mainland enterprises listing in Hong Kong, Hong Kong's position as the most important capital market and overseas financing hub for Chinese firms to list overseas has been strengthened and consolidated. Hong Kong has developed into an important venue for overseas listing and fundraising in mainland China, guiding foreign funds to invest in mainland companies listed in Hong Kong.

Furthermore, because Hong Kong's market-oriented and internationalized financial system offers a wide array of investment products, comprehensive services, and sound risk management, it makes the best platform for mainland Chinese institutions and individuals to manage their overseas investments. In this respect, Hong Kong can be developed into the most important Chinese enterprise by leveraging the advantages of the developed capital market and the accumulation of international capital, encouraging mainland and Guangdong enterprises to go public in Hong Kong, and encouraging mainland enterprises to use Hong Kong's financial market as a platform for foreign direct investment.

ECONOMY



BENEFIT

Hong Kong is also the world's largest offshore RMB settlement center, processing about 70% of all international payments in RMB. Hong Kong can assist the GBA businesses expanding overseas by providing offshore RMB settlement, funding, and fund management services.

The online paying system has been improved, for example, Alipay HK can only support the users to transfer money to the other user of Alipay HK. But now it can transfer money to Alipay. They will follow the exchange rate immediately and exchange for the user with no handling fee. So now Hong Kong citizens can shop on the mainland without the process of exchanging money. They don't need to carry lots of cash dollars now.

ECONOMY



DISADVANTAGE

The exchange rate of RMB and HKD is unstable. In the GBA, RMB is more common to be used. But the exchange rate can't be affected.

There is an economic problem in Hong Kong and Macao. Due to the reason for covid-19, the economic growth of Hong Kong and Macao has been slowed down. Tourism is one of the most important incomes for Hong Kong's economy, but people are not willing to go to travel because the time of isolation is too long. The number of tourists has decreased a lot. And Hong Kong people are no longer going out because of the gathering restriction order. The entertainment venue can't open, like the party room. Theme parks like Disneyland and Ocean Park can't have enough viewers to earn money. Macao is the same as that. Macau's gambling industry is one of the important parts of Macau's economy. But the covid-19 has crushed it. In 2020, with the new outbreak of covid-19, the Macau government closed casinos on the 15th, and the society responded positively to the government's management of the outbreak. Nonetheless, the Fitch Group estimated the losses resulting from the closure of the casino at about \$1.5 billion at the time. The economic impact on Macau will be substantial. Moreover, the licenses for six gambling companies expire in 2022. There will be many challenges for the Macau gambling industry in the future.



SUGGESTION

There are many to avoid affecting the exchange rate. For example, the mainland student come to Hong Kong to study, they can have a special exchange rate to exchange RMB for HKD. The special rate can be used to pay the study fee, exchange some money for living, or buy a flight ticket. The limitation is necessary; to avoid people using it to gain illegal benefits, maybe the student can only exchange 5 thousand dollars as living fees. Not only the mainland students can have it if the GBA students come to Hong Kong, or Hong Kong students go to the GBA for study. They can all have this special exchange rate. So that the economic system won't be affected too much. The special discount may not only be used for the study but also for business activities. If the business activities are cooperating inside the GBA, they can have a discount on the fees. Like the freight fees and the handling fee can be less.

The censorship should be shorter and faster. Having a discount on the handling fees can attract them to cooperate with Hong Kong, but if the censorship takes too much time, it won't be very attractive for the company.

For gambling in Macao, the government should reduce the fees of the licenses for the gambling companies. Release their pressure about the economic problem they may face.



The environmental problem is also serious. Hong Kong and the mainland have lots of endangered species. For example, *Plataea minor*, panda. The country must protect its living environment. In Hong Kong, having Hong Kong Wetland Park and Ocean Park protect them. Mainland has also developed lot on this. They have planted over 600 billion m² of trees.

Hong Kong and the mainland have been working on developing new energy and renewable energy. Maybe, like to reduce the pollution problem. In Hong Kong, some estate has already installed solar panels on their rooftop. The electrical fees will be reduced, or even more, and the electricity supplier will buy the extra electricity from the citizens. And the mainland is now supporting the Battery Electric Vehicle (BEV) with different policies, including cash grants, and providing a loan at lower interest rates.

Hong Kong has already tried lots of policies to protect the environment. Like charging the plastic bag, limit the plastic sucker. The number of producing un-recycled materials is lower now. The environment is well-protected in Hong Kong due to a well-established fine mechanism. For the electrical appliances, Hong Kong provides free recycling service to collect the old electrical appliances and avoid them from being thrown into the sea. Hong Kong has recycling bins in every estate. We need to help the citizens to recycle.



DISADVANTAGE

In the past, the haze problem is serious on the mainland. After the government start to take care of this problem, it has been solved. But the Hong Kong citizens may not know that. So, the environmental knowledge may be hard to promote by the mainland.

The solar panel system is hard to be promoted to the public in Hong Kong. Hong Kong citizens are mostly living in public housing estates. They don't have the qualifications to install that. Even if the estates have installed it, it won't be very useful. They can't produce enough renewable energy. The public housing estates can only produce a little electricity.

The BEV is hard to be promoted in Hong Kong. The area of Hong Kong is too small. No extra land can be provided for the charging station. And not all the citizens can buy a car. Most of the citizens are taking public transport vehicles.



SUGGESTION

The solar panel can be promoted to be installed by the mainland's public. Unlike Hong Kong, the mainland public has more individual houses. Especially for the citizens, if they live in the countryside, maybe, don't have enough money to install it. They can borrow money from the government. Then lots of renewable energy can be provided stably. The demand for fossil fuels will decrease.

The BEV should be supported more. The mainland should decrease the tax on registering the BEV and attract more people to buy the BEV. If the citizens buy a BEV that is produced by the mainland's company, they can have more discounts on the taxes. The charging station should be built more because it will affect the wise of citizens to buy it.

The recycling bins can get improved by technology. If recycling has benefits, the citizens may be more willing to do that. Install a system on every recycling bin, people can log in by their phone's application, and water can earn one point, the point can be used to exchange some coupons or movie tickets. Also, the recycling bin needs a detection system, if the recycling bin has already been 80% full, it will give a signal to call people to change the bag inside it. And Hong Kong can cooperate with the mainland to plant more trees for the environment. If the citizens have recycled 10 plastic bottles, the GBA will plant one tree. Once they have helped to plant 1 tree, they will receive a picture of the spot where the promised tree was planted. From that, the citizens can feel they are participating in charitable activities. They will feel happy, and it is good for the mental health of the citizens. The citizens can benefit themselves when they are helping the environment.



CONCLUSION

The GBA has lots of benefits for both Hong Kong and the mainland. Although lots of problems need to be solved, and lots of things need to be prepared. They will all take lots of time and materials. But compared to the benefits of the GBA. It is worth spending that time and materials. Hope that the GBA will be the key to solving the separation between Hong Kong and the Mainland. This will be the shortcut for China to become the best country in the world.