Expenditure Items that will not be funded under the Programme

Expenditure Item	Details/Examples
Normal Operating Expenses of the Applicant	Daily, routine and general operation expenses of the applicant's existing business entity in Hong Kong and the Mainland, including salary of existing employees, direct costs incurred for the production/manufacture of products for sales purpose ¹ , rental/renovation expenses, utility expenses, business registration or operating licence fees, office stationery, transportation costs of products ² , payment of tax, premiums for product liability insurance, bank charges, capital financing costs of mortgages, interest loans or overdrafts, credit assurance fee for transactions, legal fees associated with legal actions such as those against trademark infringement, incurred/committed fees for procuring/licensing of brands or technology, etc.
Cost for Procuring/Leasing Additional Machinery/Equipme nt	 Machinery/equipment for general use or of normal operating nature (e.g. computer hardware/software for general operational use, cameras, projectors, microphones, point-of-sales systems, cash registers, etc.); Insurance premium of machinery/equipment; Maintenance fees for existing machinery/equipment; and Moulds for existing products.
Other Direct Costs (i) Direct Cost for Producing/Procuring Sample/Prototype	Valuable materials for the production of sample/prototype which may be re-used for sales purpose, e.g. diamond and gold for the production of jewelry samples/prototypes.
(ii) Cost for Advertising	 Advertising outside the Mainland and Hong Kong; and In the case of internet advertising, expenses such as deposit, bonus, slotting fee will not be funded.
(iii) Cost for Travelling and	- Travelling and accommodation expenses which are not directly linked to any measure covered by the project, or

 $^{^1}$ Except for the procurement/leasing of additional machinery/equipment for upgrading and restructuring purpose. 2 Except for the transportation costs of exhibits for participating in the exhibitions/trade fairs/roadshows.

Expenditure Item	Details/Examples
Accommodation between Hong Kong and the Mainland	 those arising from general business supervision, liaison, consultation, negotiation, etc.; In-town transportation which does not form part of the cross-border transportation of trips from Hong Kong to the Mainland and vice versa; and Travelling and accommodation outside the Mainland and Hong Kong.
(iv) Others	 Participation in exhibitions/trade fairs/roadshows, including virtual exhibitions organised by Government-related organisations or reputable exhibition organisers with good track records, outside the Mainland and Hong Kong; Organisation of/participation in other promotional events/activities outside the Mainland and Hong Kong; Shop/product display fees for sales purpose at any virtual/physical location and the related sales commission fees; Shelves and furniture for general product display at display/sales outlet; Gifts, souvenirs, prizes, etc.; Entertainment or meal expenses; Membership fees of industrial and trade associations, professional bodies or similar organisations (either one-off or recurrent); and Unspecified costs, e.g. miscellaneous costs, sundry, contingency expenses, etc.