The Secretary for Home Affairs, Mr Tsang Tak-sing, congratulated Hong Kong athletes for winning 19 medals in the East Asian Games yesterday (December 6), including four gold, five silver and ten bronze medals.

The gold medalists included Chiu Wing-yin and Lau Siu-wai in women's and men's squash respectively, Kwok Chi-ho in men's cue sports 9-ball pool, and the women table tennis team. The silver medalists were Au Wing-chi and Lee Ho-Yin in women's and men's squash respectively, Yu Sum-yee in men's artistic cycling, a pair in women's artistic cycling and the men's rugby team. A total of ten bronze medals were seized by Ip Hin-bon in men's artistic cycling, Tie Ya-na in table tennis women's singles, Hannah Wilson in women's 100m freestyle swimming, Yeung Wai-yee in women's 47kg taekwondo, another pair in women's artistic cycling, a men team in doubles' table tennis, the women's rugby team, and three groups in the Latin dance events of Cha-Cha-Cha and Jive, and standard dance five event.

"We are really excited by the outstanding performance of Hong Kong athletes in the games which fully demonstrated sportsmanship and determination," Mr Tsang said.

He encouraged Hong Kong athletes to achieve excellent results in other events of the games.

The Hong Kong delegation has so far won six gold, six silver and 12 bronze medals in the 2009 EAG.

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