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The Study on the Policy of Leisure & Recreation and
Its Condition with Regional Linkages

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As leisure time expanded due to increase in national income and widespread implementation of the five-day work week, people have more interests and participate in leisure and recreation including sports activities. The government, in this context, is bringing out mid and long term leisure policies in response to people's needs. Municipal governments also have been developing leisure-related policies and establishing their service systems to provide leisure & recreation activities to each community since late 90s when the local autonomy became settled. Further, district offices provide residents for closer relationship with leisure and recreation activities in consideration of their demographic properties and demands. Korea Council of Sport for All is aimed at health promotion of people and sound leisure pursuits on sports and leisure activities. Each Council in a city or province plans and applies annual projects to enhance community sports and leisure activities putting into consideration the local properties.

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An Analysis of Research Trend on the Regional Linkages and
Leisure & Recreation in Korea

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Korea introduced local autonomy system in full scale since 1995. Local governments have worked hard to improve the welfare of people and the development of local community through sports & leisure activities. In the late 1990s, there were many researches about the ways of activating the local autonomy system efficiently through sports & leisure. The researches in 2000s have focused on economic development by creating profits through holding international or domestic sports events (promotion of local communities, improvement of local communities). But many local governments commonly have some problems that restrict peoples' participation in sports & leisure because of the lack of facilities, restriction on using the facilities and the lack of programs. Therefore it is required to perform various researches regarding specific and in-depth programs that meet the situation of each local community.