

Panel on Education
List of follow-up actions

(position as at 5 June 2009)

Subject	Date of meeting	Follow-up action required	Administration's response
1. <u>Education for non-Chinese speaking students</u> 1.1 Examination fee for General Certificate of Secondary Education (Chinese)	12.1.09	The Administration was requested to co-ordinate with the Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority to review the examination fee for the General Certificate of Secondary Education (Chinese) examination with a view to lowering the fee to assist non-Chinese speaking students in taking the examination.	Response awaited.
2. <u>Governance structure and grievances and complaints mechanisms of the University Grants Committee (UGC)-funded institutions</u> 2.1 Inter-institutional complaints mechanism	9.2.09	The Administration was requested to provide a response to address the issues concerning the establishment of an	Response awaited.

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		inter-institutional complaints mechanism including the proposal to extend the jurisdiction of the Ombudsman to cover the UGC sector.	
<p>3. <u>Review of Pre-primary Education Voucher Scheme (the Scheme)</u></p> <p>3.1 Improvement to the Scheme</p>	20.3.09	<p>The Administration was requested to respond to the motion passed by the Panel as follows :</p> <p>"That this Panel urges the Government to establish instantly a committee which includes representatives of the pre-primary education sector and parents to immediately review the kindergarten fee subvention system, as well as to establish a remuneration system that is linked to teachers' training and qualifications."</p>	Response awaited.
<p>4. <u>Capital works projects of UGC-funded institutions</u></p> <p>4.1 Phase 4 student hostels of the City University of Hong Kong</p>	16.4.09	The Administration was requested to explore with the Government Property Agency on the feasibility of converting vacant government quarters into student	Response awaited.

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<p>4.2 Extension to the existing University Library of the Chinese University of Hong Kong</p>	<p>11.5.09</p>	<p>hostels for the UGC-funded institutions.</p> <p>The Administration was requested to provide supplementary information on the project.</p>	<p>The Administration's response was circulated to members on 26 May 2009 [LC Paper No. CB(2)1681/08-09(01)].</p>
<p>5. <u>Provision of international school places and boarding facilities for non-local students in international schools and local schools</u></p> <p>5.1 Policies on enrolment of non-local and local students in international schools</p>	<p>16.4.09</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to review its policies on the provision of international school places and boarding facilities for non-local students. Specifically, the Administration was requested to -</p> <p>(a) review the prescribed minimum percentage of non-local enrolment and adjust such percentage for individual international schools in the light of demand from non-local students; and</p> <p>(b) give priority to non-local students</p>	<p>Response awaited.</p>

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<p>5.2 Number and percentage of local and non-local students and regulations on boarding facilities</p>	<p>16.4.09</p>	<p>in the allocation of international school places and boarding places to facilitate the development of Hong Kong into a regional education hub and international city.</p> <p>The Administration was requested to provide information on the following -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the number and percentage of non-local and local students in each of the existing 51 international schools; (b) the number of civil servants who were in receipt of local education allowance in support of their children attending international schools; and (c) requirements and regulations governing the operation of boarding facilities in international schools. 	<p>Response awaited.</p>
<p>6. <u>Prices of school textbooks and development of electronic learning</u></p>			

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<u>resources</u> 6.1 Textbook prices	11.5.09	The Administration was requested to provide a written response to the views and suggestions raised concerning the reduction of textbook prices.	Response awaited.