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Subcommittee on Poverty

Subjects to be discussed

Purpose

This paper seeks members' views on subjects and dates for discussion by the Subcommittee on Poverty ("the Subcommittee").

Proposed agenda

2. At the meeting on 22 January 2013, members discussed the proposed work plan of the Subcommittee and made recommendations in respect of subjects and dates for discussion by the Subcommittee, which are set out in the table below –

Proposed subjects	Proposed dates for discussion
1. - Ways to improve the poverty situation through information technology (including the review on the Internet Learning Support Programme) - Discussion on the information note on "Housing policies to assist low-income households in Singapore" prepared by the Research Division of the Legislative Council Secretariat - Proposal to conduct an overseas duty visit to study poverty alleviation measures	25 March 2013
2. - Relationship between the public's health condition and poverty - Discussion on the draft report on "Poverty line" to be submitted by the Subcommittee	29 April 2013

Proposed subjects	Proposed dates for discussion
3. - Support for disadvantaged groups such as persons with disabilities, ethnic minorities, new-arrivals and single-parent families (including provision of assistance in studies, employment, costs of medication and medical appliances as well as residence requirement for new-arrivals, etc.) - Discussion on the draft report on "Elderly in poverty" to be submitted by the Subcommittee	20 May 2013
Proposed subjects	Date and the time required for discussing each subject
4. Social security system	To be indicated by members
5. Inter-generational poverty (including children and youth in poverty)	
6. Women in poverty	
7. Working Poverty	
8. Social enterprises	

3. Members are invited to note that the Subcommittee should, in accordance with rule 26 of the House Rules, complete its work within 12 months of its commencement, i.e. by 5 November 2013. Having regard to the schedule for discussion of certain subjects at the meetings to be held in the coming three months (see items 1 to 3 in the table), as well as the summer break in August and September, the Subcommittee needs to discuss items 4 to 8 in the table in this June, July and October.

Advice sought

4. Members are invited to give views at the meeting on 28 February 2013 on the recommendations referred to in paragraph 2 above.