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Panel on Education

**Subcommittee to Study the Development of Textbooks and Teaching
Materials for Kindergartens, Primary and Secondary Schools**

**Minutes of the seventh meeting by videoconferencing
held on Tuesday, 9 February 2021, at 4:30 pm**

Members present : Hon YUNG Hoi-yan, JP (Chairman)
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, GBS, JP
Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG Mei-fun, SBS, JP
Hon Mrs Regina IP LAU Suk-yee, GBS, JP
Hon LEUNG Che-cheung, SBS, MH, JP
Hon KWOK Wai-keung, JP
Hon Elizabeth QUAT, BBS, JP
Hon CHEUNG Kwok-kwan, JP
Hon LAU Kwok-fan, MH
Dr Hon CHENG Chung-tai

Members attending : Dr Hon Junius HO Kwan-yiu, JP
Hon Holden CHOW Ho-ding

Public Officers attending : Agenda item I

Dr CHOI Yuk-lin, JP
Under Secretary for Education

Ms Edith TSE
Principal Education Officer (Curriculum Development)1
Education Bureau

Agenda item II

Dr CHOI Yuk-lin, JP
Under Secretary for Education

Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority

Dr SO Kwok-sang
Secretary General

Clerk in attendance : Ms Angel WONG
Chief Council Secretary (4)4

Staff in attendance : Miss Wincy LO
Senior Council Secretary (4)4

Ms Rachel WONG
Council Secretary (4)4

Ms Sandy HAU
Legislative Assistant (4)4

Miss Emma Lam
Clerical Assistant (4)4

Action

I. Review, complaints and evaluation mechanisms for textbooks

(LC Paper No. CB(4)461/20-21(01) -- Paper provided by the Administration)

The Chairman proposed and members agreed that "Application of technology to assist teachers in using textbooks and teaching materials to meet curriculum aims and objectives" and "Measures to facilitate schools' effective use of textbooks and teaching materials to enhance teaching and learning" (i.e. items (k) to (m) on the list of major subjects to be studied [LC Paper No. CB(4)370/20-21(01)]) would be discussed at the next meeting.

2. The Chairman advised that a fact sheet on "Oversight of school textbooks and supplementary teaching materials in selected places" (FS02/20-21) prepared by the Research Office of the Legislative Council ("LegCo") Secretariat had been issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(4)471/20-21 on 2 February 2021. She thanked Mrs Regina IP for providing the Research Office with reference materials for preparing the fact sheet.

Action

Discussion

3. The Subcommittee deliberated (index of proceedings attached at **Annex**).

II. Development of textbooks and the question-setting mechanism of the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination

(LC Paper No. CB(4)461/20-21(02) -- Paper provided by the Administration)

Discussion

4. The Subcommittee deliberated (index of proceedings attached at **Annex**).

Follow-up actions to be taken by the Administration

5. The Administration was requested to provide the following information:
- (a) the percentage share of government funding in total income of Hong Kong Examination and Assessment Authority ("HKEAA");
 - (b) a flow chart showing the question setting and moderation mechanism of Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination; and
 - (c) a flow chart showing the procedures for appointing members of the moderation committees of HKEAA.

(Post-meeting note: The Administration's written information was issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(4)603/20-21(01) on 9 March 2021.)

III. Any other business

6. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 6:35 pm.

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Proceedings of the seventh meeting by videoconferencing of the Subcommittee to Study the Development of Textbooks and Teaching Materials for Kindergartens, Primary and Secondary Schools on Tuesday, 9 February 2021, at 4:30 pm

Time marker	Speaker(s)	Subject(s)	Action required
<i>Agenda Item I – Review, complaints and evaluation mechanisms for textbooks</i>			
000328-000655	Chairman	<p>Opening remarks</p> <p>Discussion items for the next meeting</p> <p>Fact sheet on "Oversight of school textbooks and supplementary teaching materials in selected places" prepared by the Research Office of LegCo Secretariat</p>	
000656-001153	Administration	Administration's briefing on review, complaints and evaluation mechanisms for textbooks	
001154-001719	Chairman Mr Tommy CHEUNG Administration	Suggestion of installing closed-circuit television systems ("CCTVs") in secondary schools to monitor classroom teaching and facilitate students' learning	
001720-002429	Chairman Mrs Regina IP Administration	<p>Reasons for not including the textbooks for the Liberal Studies ("LS") subject in the textbook review mechanism and whether the textbooks for the reformed LS subject would be covered by the textbook review mechanism</p> <p>Inadequacies of the existing mechanism for developing and managing school-based teaching materials, and suggestion of requiring teachers to prepare for every subject an annual teaching schedule so as to enhance monitoring over school-based teaching materials</p>	

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002430-002909	Chairman Mr LEUNG Che-cheung The Administration	Management and quality monitoring of school-based teaching materials, and implementation of national security education at schools	
002910-003633	Chairman Ms Elizabeth QUAT Administration	<p>Quality monitoring of textbooks and teaching materials for the reformed LS subject</p> <p>The need for the Education Bureau ("EDB") to enhance the mechanism for monitoring the quality of school-based teaching materials through the installation of CCTVs in classrooms and establishment of a centralized database for collecting teaching materials</p> <p>Number of completed complaint cases involving inappropriate school-based teaching materials and number of teachers and members of school management held accountable</p>	
003634-004258	Chairman Dr Junius HO Administration	The need for EDB to explore measures to monitor the quality of school-based teaching materials, such as setting up a centralized database for school-based teaching materials, installing CCTVs in classrooms and developing official teaching materials by EDB	
004259-004839	Chairman Mr Holden CHOW Administration	The need for EDB to set up a centralized database to monitor the quality of school-based teaching materials, and to develop official textbooks for Constitution and Basic Law education	
004840-005740	Chairman Dr Priscilla LEUNG Administration	<p>Inclusion of the textbooks for the reformed LS subject in the textbook review mechanism and provision of training to teachers teaching the reformed subject</p> <p>Inadequacies of the existing management of school-based teaching materials</p> <p>Suggestion of reviewing the existing mechanism for monitoring the quality of school-based teaching materials, such as installing CCTVs in classrooms</p>	

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005741-010332	Chairman Administration	Composition, appointment and operation of textbook review panels Textbook review mechanism in California and whether EDB would make reference to the experience of California to enhance the review of textbooks	
<i>AgendaItem II – Development of textbooks and the question-setting mechanism of the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination</i>			
010333-010834	Chairman Administration	Administration's briefing on the development of textbooks and the question-setting mechanism of the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination ("HKDSE")	
010835-011601	Chairman Administration Ms Elizabeth QUAT	Improvement measures taken/to be taken by the Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority ("HKEAA") to follow up on the problematic question in History Paper 1 in the 2020 HKDSE	
011602-012303	Chairman Mrs Regina IP Administration	EDB's role in monitoring the question-setting mechanism of HKDSE and appointing moderation committees members	The Administration was requested to provide information as stated in paragraph 5(a) of the minutes
012304-013510	Chairman Dr Priscilla LEUNG Administration	The need for HKEAA to enhance the transparency and accountability of the question-setting mechanism of HKDSE and the appointment of moderation committee members	
013511-014239	Chairman Dr Junius HO Administration	Suggestions of increasing EDB's participation in the question-setting and moderation mechanisms of HKDSE and appointing moderation committee members by EDB	
014240-015024	Chairman Mr Holden CHOW Administration	The need for HKEAA to enhance the accountability of the appointment mechanism of moderation committee members and enhance EDB's role in monitoring the appointment of the members and setting of the question papers	

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015025-015720	Chairman Administration	Suggestions of increasing EDB's participation in the question-setting and moderation mechanisms for HKDSE, and conducting eligibility vetting for moderation committee members	
015721-015849	Chairman Dr Junius HO Administration	Question setting and moderation mechanism of HKDSE, and the appointment mechanism of moderation committees of HKEAA	The Administration was requested to provide information as stated in paragraphs 5(b) and (c) of the minutes
015850-020759	Chairman Ms Elizabeth QUAT The Administration	Actions taken/to be taken by HKEAA to follow up on the problematic question in History Paper 1 in the 2020 HKDSE, including penalty imposed on the staff involved	
<i>Agenda item III – Any other business</i>			
020800-020826	Chairman	Closing remarks	