

## **CDC News (October 2003)**

The 13<sup>th</sup> CDC Meeting was held on 2 October 2003. Salient points of the discussion are as follows:

- The latest development of the senior secondary curriculum & assessment at systemic level was reported. The consultation process and implementation schedule, which were the main concerns of Members, were discussed in the meeting.
- Memberships of the three standing committees were confirmed.
- The progress of Moral and Civic Education in Schools and the Way Forward was reported. Main points of discussion were summarized as follows:
  - Collaboration with other organization could minimize duplication of service provision.
  - More emphasis should be put on enhancing the civic awareness of students as Hong Kong citizens and also as Chinese nationals.
  - Members agreed to the importance of promoting students' sense of national identity, which should be achieved through various means and strategies.
  - Promotion of national education should aim at enabling students to know more about the social, economical and political development of the Motherland thereby enhancing their sense of national identity.
  - Teachers as a role model was vital in helping students develop positive values and attitudes. There was also concern about the provision of sufficient teacher training under the existing mode of training.