CDC News (June 2006)

The 21st CDC Meeting was held on 21 June 2006. Salient points of the discussion are as follows:

Development of curriculum design of NSS LS and early implementation of LS in junior secondary schools

- NSS LS curriculum has received good accreditation internationally.
- There were already strong LS resource materials on EMB homepage for teachers' reference.
- Most schools would implement IH at the junior levels and it was agreed that schools should provide opportunity for students to attain sufficient basic knowledge at their junior secondary level before they could transmit what they have learnt in NSS LS.
- Early implementation of JS LS might lead to omitting the basic knowledge in a number of subjects.
- School should not focus only on the study skills and implement LS in junior forms hastily.

Development of COS and SEN

- COS would be renamed as "Applied Learning" and there would be a steering committee for it.
- Funding mode for Applied Learning courses would be further explored but parents would have to contribute no more than 18% of the cost.
- Some SEN schools were piloting on the NSS curriculum for their students. They would also work with the HKEAA on assessment.

Development of the C&A Guides for NSS & the SSCG

• A strategic implementation of SBA would be proposed and SBA might not be implemented in some subjects in the early years.