

CDC News (July 2014)

The 46th CDC Meeting was held on 10 April 2014 (Thursday). Salient points of the discussion are as follows:

The first batch of recommendations for the New Academic Structure (NAS) medium-term review

- The NAS medium-term review adopted the same principle-led design approach as in the short-term stage to address the issues that require a longer time and a holistic process of review and consultation.
- The first batch of medium-term recommendations involved four subjects, namely Chinese Language, Chinese Literature, Liberal Studies (Independent Enquiry Study) (LS(IES)) and Business, Accounting and Financial Studies (BAFS). The recommendations would be implemented for the 2014/15 Secondary 4 cohort at the earliest.
- The concerns and suggestions made by members on the first batch of medium-term recommendations would be raised in the Joint CDC-PEB Meeting to facilitate a thorough discussion and to inform decision making.
- The medium-term review was still on-going, and the last batch of medium-term recommendations would be announced by July 2015.

The updated Basic Education Curriculum Guide (BECG) (P1-P6)

- The final version of the *BECG (P1-P6)* in Chinese as well as the *Summary* and the proposed uploading schedule for schools' reference were endorsed with no further comments.
- The Chinese version of the finalized *BECG (P1-P6)* and the *Summary* would be uploaded onto the EDB web page in June 2014, followed by the English version at a later stage.

Preparation of Secondary Education Curriculum Guide (SECG) and updating of Key Learning Area Curriculum Guides (KLACGs)

- The *SECG* and *KLACGs* would be prepared and updated to sustain the “Learning to Learn” curriculum reform and to provide a better interface for curriculum planning and implementation.
- The updating exercise was planned to be completed by end 2015/early 2016.