

**2nd CDC-HKEAA Committee on DAT (2013-2015) Meeting cum
1st Joint Meeting with HKEAA Subject Committee
Gist of the Meeting**

Date of meeting:

4 June 2014

Key issues raised/discussed

1. Members were briefed on the progress of work of various support measures for DAT including the theme-based learning materials, use of EdBlog for teachers' networking, review of learning and teaching materials, professional development programmes, and suggested project list for SBA. Members were satisfied with the support measures being provided.
2. Members were briefed on the *Guidelines for the Review of SBA in Medium-term Review of NSS C&A*. Members then discussed the issues on DAT SBA and were satisfied with the existing arrangement of SBA with no proposed change.
3. Members were presented with the information extracted from the CDI subject survey and the HKEAA statistics regarding the number of candidates and number of schools offering DAT.

Members shared their concerns on:

- a) the low passing percentages of the subject and the decreasing trend of the number of candidates;
- b) more promotional activities could be arranged to arouse students' interest to choose the subject as well as to inform the public about the career pathways of studying DAT; and
- c) the possibility of offering initial teacher training programmes like PGDE / BEd in DAT by the tertiary institutions so that there would be new teachers to sustain the development of the subject.

Date of the next meeting:

To be confirmed.