CDC Committee on Mathematics Education (2019 – 2021) Gist of the Second Meeting

Date: 9 October 2020 (Friday)

Time: 2:30 p.m. - 4:50 p.m.

Venue: Video conferencing

Points discussed and conclusions arrived:

- 1. The minutes of the last meeting were confirmed.
- 2. The arrangement of briefing seminars for school teachers on the updated Basic Competency (BC) Descriptors for Key Stage 1 Mathematics Curriculum was reported.
- 3. The work related to the Explanatory Notes to Mathematics Curriculum (Key Stage 2 and Key Stage 3) was reported.
- 4. The work related to Task Force's initial recommendations on senior secondary Mathematics was reported.
- 5. The candidates' performance in 2020 DSE Mathematics Examinations was reported and discussed.
- 6. The updated BC Descriptors for Key Stage 2 and Key Stage 3 Mathematics Curriculum were discussed and endorsed.
- 7. The impact of class suspension on the learning and teaching of Mathematics was discussed.
- 8. The progress of the promotion of STEM education was reported and discussed. Details of the enhanced teacher training for primary and secondary schools and the timeline of implementation were reported and discussed.
- 9. The matters related to Task Force's final report were discussed. The way of better utilising the current demarcation between Foundation Topics and Non-foundation

Topics of the secondary Mathematics curriculum in learning, teaching and assessment, as well as the viability of replacing the existing Extended Part of Mathematics with a separate "Advanced Mathematics" subject (name to be confirmed) in the long run were briefly discussed.
