CDC Committee on Learning Resources and Support Services (2001-2002)

Gist of the Second Meeting

Date:	25 April 2002
Time:	2:30 p.m.
Venue:	Conference Room, Curriculum Resources Centre
	G/F, 24 Tin Kwong Road, Kowloon

Points discussed and conclusion arrived :

- 1. To explain and elaborate more on the development of measures to lower textbook prices, the meeting was informed through the documents, "Progress of Measures to Lower Textbook Price" and "Schools Curriculum Circular No.1/2002 dated 15 April 2002, Education Department of Hong Kong, re Notes on Selection of Textbooks and Learning Materials for Use in Schools". For members' easy reference, the "Textbook World" was set up under the "Teachers' Centre" at the URL www.hkedcity.net.
- 2. Members were informed that the first meeting of the committee was held on 23 January 2002 and the no. of user-schools participating in the Union Catalogue Phase I implementation was informed. To better describe the function of the Ad Hoc Committee, the meeting agreed at renaming the Ad Hoc Committee as "Ad Hoc Committee on Union Catalogue for School Libraries".
- 3. Members were informed on the most updated information of BCA and its latest development of BCA remediation resources and to assist teachers and schools in the effectiveness of learning and teaching, the Basic Competency Assessments in Chinese, English and Mathematics, included two components, namely Student Assessment and System Assessment. The rationale and the schedule for the implementation of BCA were briefly stated. The Committee agreed works on developing various kinds of remediation resources in web-based format for schools' use and reference.
- 4. It was reported that a standing committee had been set up and chaired by the Deputy Director of Education to monitor the ETV services provided to schools. Those newly developed segments of some other subjects would be stored in the CD-ROMs and disseminated to schools for their use whenever appropriate.
- 5. Members were briefed on the background, purposes and key features of the web-based online system. It was remarked that to help users locate the resources easily, the online system would serve as an engine to search all the learning resources mainly published by CDI.