

Fact Sheet on Study Room Scheme

Purpose

1. Its purpose is to provide a quiet place for students to study, especially for those residing in crowded and noisy homes.

Implementation

2. The Education Bureau is responsible for the publicity of all study room/reading room services in the territory by issuing an annual poster and leaflet to schools indicating the locations of all study rooms provided by the Education Bureau, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD), the Social Welfare Department (SWD), the Home Affairs Department (HAD) and non-government organizations.
3. The Education Bureau will base on the recommendations of the Housing Department to provide subvention of rent and rates (including Government Rent) for the operation of study room service by the non-profit making organizations in the public housing estates.

Capacity

4. As at January 2011, the Education Bureau provides subvention for 43 study rooms with about 5,560 seats in public housing estates. In addition, about 176 study rooms, with about 10,270 seats are self-financed / subvented by SWD, LCSD, HAD and non-government organizations.

Cost

5. In the 2010-2011 financial year, we estimate that the funds required for subsidizing study rooms in public housing estates is about \$5 million.