

Transitional Period

Upon admission to the Direct Subsidy Scheme (DSS), an ex-aided DSS secondary school will undergo a transitional period before all its students would have to pay DSS fees. This transitional period will take five years to complete and is illustrated as follows -

| Joining DSS | | | | | | | } 5-year transitional period |
|----------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------|
| 1 st year | (S1) | S2 | S3 | S4 | S5 | S6 | |
| 2 nd year | (S1) | (S2) | S3 | S4 | S5 | S6 | |
| 3 rd year | (S1) | (S2) | (S3) | S4 | S5 | S6 | |
| 4 th year | (S1) | (S2) | (S3) | (S4) | S5 | S6 | |
| 5 th year | (S1) | (S2) | (S3) | (S4) | (S5) | S6 | |
| 6 th year | (S1) | (S2) | (S3) | (S4) | (S5) | (S6) | |

() denotes classes having to pay DSS fees

- It should be noted that while the transitional period takes as long as 5 years to complete, this arrangement is necessary in order to safeguard the interest of ex-aided students from paying additional fees during the entire course of their secondary education.