

Background of Ethnic Minority Project (EMP)

Ethnic Minority Youth is a growing population. Language and culture are barriers that often limit their to further educational / employment opportunities in Hong Kong. To help the ethnic minority youth realize their potential and start off their career path in Hong Kong, the EMP project will offer a series of short term bilingual vocational courses in October 2006 in response to their needs. The programme will cover three main areas, namely language enhancement, life skills training and career-oriented training. Upon completion of the course, students would be referred to related trades to practice what they have learnt. Career guidance and counseling would be rendered in the following six months to help the trainees consolidate their learning experience and obtain recognized trade qualifications, where appropriate.

Aims of Project:

- 1. To enhance the understanding and integration of ethnic minority groups in relation to the cultural and employment environment Hong Kong.
- To develop the potential of ethnic minority groups and seek options for their career building.
- To enhance the employability and adaptability of ethnic minority groups in labor market with pre-employment training and counseling support.
- 4. To facilitate ethnic minority groups to obtain qualified certification for career development or further study.

Entry requirement:

- Ethnic minority youth aged 15-24 and whose academic qualifications are below Secondary 5 standard; and
- Non-engaged youth including school leavers, the unemployed or those who are not occupied in full -time job; and
- Able to communicate in simple English or Cantonese; and
- Able to attend full-time study

Tuition Fee

The tuition fee is 500 Hong Kong Dollars. Tuition fee paid is neither refundable nor transferable. Eligible students can apply for financial assistance. Apart from tuition fees, students need to pay for their own uniform and the related professional examination charges (if needed).

Tuition Fees Financial Assistance

- Applicants who received CSSA (Comprehensive Social Security
 Assistance) should show their certificates on enrollment day
 (Certification of Comprehensive Social Security Assistance recipient
 (for medical wavier) should bear applicant's name). Once verified and admitted, tuition fees can be exempted.
- 2. Students who have financial difficulties can approach the student counsellor in the project office to apply for fee exemption. Students have to achieve 80% or above in attendance before the fee can be remitted to them.



Language enhancement and life skills training for 60 hrs

Proposed Types of Course

(Courses will be commenced in October 2006 or January 2007)

- 1. Beauty Care
- 2. Office Operation
- 3. Housekeeping Operation
- 4. Cake and Bakery
- Logistic
- 6. Computer Installation and Network Application
- 7. Business Operations
- 8. Automotive Maintenance Engineering

No. of places (tentative)

- 2 classes per programme
- 20 trainees per class