

Briefing Session on 2019/20 School Budget / Fee Revision Exercise of DSS Schools

Points to Note

11 March 2019

School Administration Section 1

Application for School Fee Revision

Call letter (with Excel file template)
issued through CDS on 6 Mar 2019

Deadline for submission of application:

30 April 2019



INCOMPLETE information in the
application may lead to **DELAY** in
processing by EDB



Schools **WITHOUT** Fee Revision

- Complete Template –
 - Appendix 1:
 - Income and expenditure statement under operating reserve
 - Note: The Income and Expenditure Statement of private class, if any, should not be included in Appendix 1
 - Expenditure under designated reserves
 - Estimated number of classes, enrolment and school fees
 - Appendix 7 (applicable to schools with boarding section only)
- Certification by school supervisor with school chop

Schools Proposing Fee Revision (1)

- Complete declaration by school supervisor with school chop in Appendix 2
- Provide details in
 - a) Schedule 1:
 - Information Sheet for Parent Consultation
 - b) Schedule 2a:
 - Income and Expenditure Statement under Operating Reserve
 - Expenditure under Designated Reserves
 - Balance for Grandfathered Reserve and Reserve for Construction, Maintenance and Upgrading of Above-standard Facilities
 - Net Book Value of Additional School Buildings Financed by Non-government Funds in Operating Reserve
 - c) Schedule 2b:
 - Breakdown of Repairs and Maintenance Expenses (only for total amount > \$1 million)
 - Breakdown of Other Operating Expenses
 - d) Schedule 2c:
 - No. of Classes, Enrolment, Fee Income and DSS Subsidy
 - Fee Revision Percentage of Local Students / Non-local Students
 - e) Schedule 2d:
 - Provision for Fee Remission and Scholarship Scheme

Schools Proposing Fee Revision (2)

- Complete and submit documents as required in Appendices 3 & 4 (Parent/ PTA consultation)
- For schools having boarding section:
 - Appendix 7:
 - Income and Expenditure Statement
 - Projected Enrolment and Fee Income
- Private class (if any) should not be included

Parent Consultation (1)

- Threshold for parent consultation:
6% for 2019/20 Fee Revision Exercise
- Parent consultation and consent from the majority of the parents concerned are required for:
 - schools applying for fee increase higher than the threshold (i.e. > 6%); or
 - schools with their accumulated total operating reserve as at 31 August 2018 exceeding the annual operating expenses of the 2017/18 school year as reflected in the 2017/18 audited accounts.

Parent Consultation (2)

Schools are required to :

- (1) send to parents a printed letter / circular attached with the financial information of the school and an “Acknowledgement Slip” with space for parents’ views / comments as required in the call letter; (schools are encouraged to provide the financial information to parents in Chinese) and
- (2) submit to EDB a copy each of the printed letter / circular to parents with the information on school’s financial situation and the acknowledgement slip.

Parent Consultation

Essential Information to be included in the Financial Situation of the school

*Schools intending to apply for fee increase must provide the following information to **parents / Parent Teacher Association (PTA)** in the consultation process. The information provided should be clear and sufficient for easy understanding of parents.*

1. **Services / facilities that lead to fee increase** in the 2019/20 school year, with a **breakdown of financial implications** by items
 e.g. (i) Hire of additional teachers for the implementation of small-class teaching - \$xxxxxx
 (ii) New programme on xxxxx - \$xxxxxx
2. **Total additional funds** needed for all the items that lead to fee increase
3. **Estimated deficit** if the school fee is kept unchanged for the 2019/20 school year according to the budget for the 2019/20 school year
4. **Estimated surplus / deficit** (where appropriate) after the proposed school fee increase according to the budget for the 2018/19 school year
5. **The accumulated total operating reserve**, the amount in the Reserve for Construction, Maintenance and Upgrading of Above-Standard Facilities and the amount of Grandfathered Reserve (if any) of the school (each in terms of the number of months of the annual operating expenses), as reflected in the Audited Accounts for the 2017/18 school year

SAMPLE
Parent Consultation
Acknowledgements Slip

[Please return this slip on or before xx April 2019]

Proposed school fee increase for the 2019/20 school year

1. I acknowledge receipt of your letter of xx March 2019 informing me the proposed school fee increase for the 2019/20 school year and the financial situation of the school.

2. My views on the event of the proposed school fee increase in the 2019/20 school year are as follows (Optional):

Student's
Name: _____

Parent's Signature: _____

Class: _____ ()

Parent's Name: _____

Date: _____



Parent Consultation (3)

- If proposed fee increase $\leq 6\%$ with accumulated total operating reserve \leq annual operating expense (2017/18), Parent Teacher Associations (PTA) should be consulted as a basic requirement.
- For consultation with PTA, schools are required to provide PTA with the information on school's financial situation (same as full parent consultation).
- Schools are also required to submit to EDB a copy of the information on school's financial situation which has been provided to PTA.

Information Sheet
(to be completed by schools applying for fee increase)

4. Referring to the section on parent consultation in EDB's call letter of 6 March 2019 and Notes to Part 4 on Schedule 1 (p.5 of 5),
- A. my school **issued a consultation letter/circular** to **all parents** on _____, copies of the letter/circular with the information on school's **financial situation** and the **acknowledgement slip** are attached. **Concerns of parents have been addressed.** Details are provided on pages 2 to 3 of Schedule 1.
- B. my school consulted the **Parent Teacher Association (PTA)** on _____, copy of the information on **financial situation** of the school provided to the PTA is attached. **Concerns of parents have been addressed.** Details are provided on pages 2 to 3 of Schedule 1.

(To be cont'd)

(Part 4 Cont'd)

A. Consultation process: (please continue on separate sheets if necessary)

[If a consultation meeting has been conducted, please provide the details as well.]

B. Consultation results: (please continue on separate sheets if necessary)

No. of reply slips received from parents:

Total no. of students involved in the consultation:

C. How parents' concerns have been addressed:

(please continue on separate sheets if necessary)

(To be cont'd)

Parent Consultation (4)

Example 1

Proposing fee increase at S1 in secondary-cum-primary DSS schools

Parent consultation at least with the PTA of the primary section should be conducted

Parent Consultation (5)

Example 2

Proposing fee increase at entry levels i.e. P1 or S1

Parents of new applicants and successful applicants should be informed of the school fee arrangements by means of application form and offer letter respectively. (If not feasible, at least by offer letter)

(also applicable to fee increase at S4 in senior secondary schools operating senior secondary classes only)

Parent Consultation (6)

Example 3

Proposing fee increase at P1 (30%), P3 (10%), P4 (10%) & P5 – P6 (Nil)

It is required to conduct full consultation with parents at the affected levels (i.e. P1 to P3) and follow the same requirements in Example 2.

If there is a proposed fee increase at P1 or S1 level only (i.e. no proposed fee increase at other levels) OR the proposed fee increase % at P1 or S1 level is much higher than that at other level(s), justifications should be provided to show that there is a genuine need for the differential school fee, e.g. additional services are provided for P1 or S1 students only.

Reserves for Assessment of Fee Increase Applications

- Schools are also required to provide the following information in accordance with the 2017/18 Audited Accounts:
 - Accumulated Operating Reserve balance
 - Reserve for Construction, Maintenance and Upgrading of Above-standard Facilities (if any)
 - Grandfathered Reserve (if any)

(Part 4 Cont'd)

D. Justifications for fee increase: (please continue on separate sheets if necessary)

(Part 5 is applicable only to schools with the following Reserve)

5. Reserve for Construction, Maintenance and Upgrading of Above-standard Facilities

Are the funds of the Reserve expended according to the plan approved by the School Management Committee (SMC)/ Incorporated Management Committee (IMC)? (Please tick A or B.)

- A. my school has spent the Reserve according to the *deployment* plan approved by the SMC/IMC.
- B.* my school has NOT spent the Reserve according to the *deployment* plan approved by the SMC/IMC.

* If B is checked, please provide justifications (if any) for not spending according to the plan.

(Part 6 is applicable only to schools with the following Reserve)

6. Grandfathered Reserve

Available balance of the Grandfathered Reserve (i.e. the amount left after excluding the Net Book Value of fixed assets recorded under this Reserve):

\$ _____

Are the funds of the Reserve expended as planned? (Please tick A or B.)

A. my school has spent *the Reserve according to the deployment plan approved by the EDB.*

B.* my school has NOT spent the Reserve *according to the deployment plan approved by the EDB.*

* If B is checked, please provide justifications (if any) for not spending as planned.

7. In case of enquiries, please contact the following officer of my school :

Name : _____ Post: _____ Tel No.: _____

(To be cont'd)

Determination of Fee Increase % (1)

- For the operation of new non-local curriculum classes with different fees from local-curriculum at S5 level, it is not counted as fee increase at the class level.
- For a school applying for different fee increases at different class levels, if there is a fee increase more than 6% at one or more class level(s), the school is classified as applying for fee increase higher than the threshold and thus is required to conduct full parent consultation at the affected level(s).

Determination of Fee Increase % (2)

- Scenario 1 – if prior written notification has been given to parents that the same approved school fee* of the preceding class level will be charged when their children proceed to the next higher class level but afterwards fee revision is proposed, then

Fee increase % - By Cohort of Students

* school fee is subject to EDB's approval

- Scenario 2 - if no prior written notification has been provided to parents that the same approved school fee level of the preceding class level will be charged when their children proceed to the next higher class level, then

Fee increase % - By Class Level

Example

**Extract of
Appendix 5 (p. 1 of 2)**

Examples of Calculation of Fee Revision Percentage of Local Students

Class Level	School Fee (Per Pupil Per Annum)		Fee Revision % Calculation Method	For schools with fee revision calculated by "Cohort of Students", prior written notification should have been provided to parents. (Please enter Yes or No at Class Level(s) with Proposed Fee Revision <u>only</u>)	Proposed Fee Revision % for 2019/20 school year [(B) - (A)] / (A) (Please enter % at Class Level(s) with Proposed Fee Revision only)
	2018/19 School Year (A) \$	(Proposed) 2019/20 School Year (B) \$			
Primary 1	30,000	30,000	-	-	-
Primary 2	20,000	32,000	S (by "Cohort of Students")	Yes	$(32,000 - 30,000) / 30,000 = 6.67\%$
Secondary 1	30,000	30,000	-	-	-
Secondary 2	20,000	32,000	L (by "Class Level")	No	$(32,000 - 20,000) / 20,000 = 60\%$

Determination of Fee Increase % (3)

Non-local students (except those specified in EDBC No. 13/2018) are not eligible for DSS subsidy.

In order to ensure no cross-subsidization of government funds to these students, DSS schools should set the school fee for non-local students NOT eligible for DSS Subsidy not less than the sum of the following:

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{School Fee for Local Students} \\ + \\ \text{Projected DSS Unit Subsidy Rate} \\ \text{(for the Class Level)} \end{array}$$

Note: Fees must be listed on Fees Certificate.

Examples for setting the school fee for non-local students NOT eligible for DSS subsidy

Proposed School Fee for 2019/20 School Year

(A) A primary DSS school with operating history below 16 years:

Class Level	Proposed School Fee for Local Students	Proposed School Fee for Non-local students *
	(\$pppa)	(\$pppa)
P2	10,000	$(10,000 + 58,387) = 68,387$
P5	15,000	$(15,000 + 58,387) = 73,387$

(B) A secondary DSS school with operating history above 16 years:

Class Level	Proposed School Fee for Local Students	Proposed School Fee for Non-local students *
	(\$pppa)	(\$pppa)
S2	20,000	$(20,000 + 62,353) = 82,353$
S5	28,000	$(28,000 + 76,285) = 104,285$

*In the examples, the proposed school fee for non-local students NOT eligible for DSS subsidy is set as:

$(\text{Proposed School Fee for Local Students} + \text{Projected DSS Unit Subsidy Rate for the Class Level})$

2018/19 Projected DSS Unit Subsidy Rates

Primary schools (with operating history below 16 years):

P1 - P6 : \$58,387 pppa

Secondary schools (with operating history at 16 years or above):

S1 - S3: \$62,353 pppa

S4 - S6: \$76,285 pppa

Examples of Calculation of Fee Revision Percentage of Non-local students

Class Level	School Fee (Per Pupil Per Annum) for Non-local Students						Fee Revision % Calculation Method	For schools with fee revision calculated by "Cohort of Students", prior written notification should have been provided to parents. (Please enter Yes or No at Class Level(s) with Proposed Fee Revision only)	Proposed Fee Revision % for 2019/20 school year [(G) - (D)] / (D)] or [(F) - (C)] / (C)] (Please enter % at Class Level(s) with Proposed Fee Revision <u>only</u>)
	2018/19 School Year			(Proposed) 2019/20 School Year					
	Amount of Non-local Student Fee (C) \$	Local Student Fee (D) \$	2017/18 Projected DSS Unit Subsidy Rate (E) \$	Amount of Non-local Student Fee (F) \$	Local Student Fee (G) \$	2018/19 Projected DSS Unit Subsidy Rate (H) \$			
Primary 1	70,000								
Primary 2	60,000			75,000			S (by "Cohort of Students")	Yes	$\frac{[(F) - (C)]}{(C)}$ $= \frac{(75,000 - 70,000)}{70,000}$ $= 7.1\%$
Primary 3	60,000			75,000			L (by "Class Level")	No	$\frac{[(F) - (C)]}{(C)}$ $= \frac{(75,000 - 60,000)}{60,000}$ $= 25.0\%$
Secondary 1		30,000	59,349						
		(Total: 89,349)							
Secondary 2		20,000	59,349		32,000	62,353	S (by "Cohort of Students")	Yes	$\frac{[(G) - (D)]}{(D)}$ $= \frac{(32,000 - 30,000)}{30,000}$ $= 6.7\%$
		(Total: 79,349)			(Total: 94,353)				
Secondary 3		20,000	59,349		32,000	62,353	L (by "Class Level")	No	$\frac{[(G) - (D)]}{(D)}$ $= \frac{(32,000 - 20,000)}{20,000}$ $= 60\%$
		(Total: 79,349)			(Total: 94,353)				

Determination of Fee Increase % (4)

For School Fees of Non-local Students

- For schools charging non-local students school fees equal to "school fee of the corresponding local students + Projected DSS unit subsidy of the corresponding level", if fee change is solely due to the change in the DSS unit subsidy, it is not counted as fee revision.
- If fee change is due to the change of school fee component of the corresponding local students, it is counted as fee revision and the fee increase % is calculated based on this component.

Other Operating Expenses

- Only approved expenditure items (expenditure of educational nature) can be charged to Government funds.
- For the approved list, please refer to Annex 2 of EDB Circular No. 17/2012 dated 29 August 2012.

(I) Income and Expenditure Statement under Operating Reserve

Name of School : _____

	2017/18 School Year Audited Accounts (A)	2018/19 School Year		2019/20 School Year Budget			Year on year change Increase / (Decrease) 2018/19 Vs 2017/18 [(C)-(A)]/(A)	Year on year change Increase / (Decrease) 2019/20 Vs 2018/19 [(F)-(C)]/(C)
		Original Budget (B)	Revised Estimates (C)	Government Funds (D)	Non-Government Funds (E)	Total (F) = (D) + (E)		
EXPENDITURE	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	%	%
1. Staff salaries and gratuities								
2. Provident fund, Provision for long service payment or Other retirement benefits							---	---
3. Govt. rent and rates expense								
4. Depreciation charges								
a. Existing premises (other than additional school buildings)								
b. Additional school buildings								
c. Furniture & equipment								
d. Computer hardware & software								
e. Air-conditioning								
f. Others (please specify)								
5. Repairs and maintenance (Details as per Schedule 2b p.1)								
6. Other operating expenses (Details as per Schedule 2b p.2)								
(a) TOTAL EXPENDITURE (G)			[(C) - (B)]/(B)	N.A.				
(b) % change in total expenditure								
DEFICIT OF GRANT ACCOUNT (please specify by individual grant)								
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) for the Year (H)								
Add: OPERATING RESERVE BALANCE / (DEFICIT) brought forward from previous year(s) (I)			per (i)			per (ii)		
Transfer from / (to) designated reserves (please specify by individual designated reserves) (J)								
OPERATING RESERVE BALANCE / (DEFICIT) carried forward to next year (K)=(H)+(I)+(J)	=====							
	(i)		(ii)					

Equivalent months of expenses [(K / L*) x 12]

Breakdown of Other Operating Expenses (2017/18 - 2019/20)

Name of School : _____

Item (A)	2017/18 School Year Audited Accounts (B)	2018/19 School Year		2019/20 School Year Budget			Year on year change Increase / (Decrease) 2018/19 Vs 2017/18 [(D)-(B)]/(B)	Year on year change Increase / (Decrease) 2019/20 Vs 2018/19 [(G)-(D)]/(D)
		Original Budget (C)	Revised Estimates (D)	Government Funds (E)	Non- Government Funds (F)	Total (G)=(E)+(F)		
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	%	%
1. Advertising								
2. Approved repayment of interest on loan								
3. Audit fee								
4. Bank charges								
5. Bank interest paid								
6. Celebrations and entertainment								
7. Cleaning materials, consumables and first-aid								
8. Curriculum development								
9. Extra-curricular activities, prizes and sports								
10. Insurance for fire, theft, public liability and employees compensation								
11. Library books, newspaper, magazines and teachers' textbooks, maps etc.								
12. Postages								
13. Stamp								
14. Printing and stationery								
15. Professional fees								
16. Staff training expenses								
17. Travelling and transportation								
18. Utilities (Fuel, light and power, telephone and water charges)								
19. Wreaths, flower-baskets and similar tributes on behalf of the school								
20. Miscellaneous (please provide further breakdown if the figures under columns (D), (E) or (F) exceed 5% of total Other Operating Expenses (item 6 of Schedule 2a p.2))								
(per Schedule 2a page 2) Total								

Feed-in Tariff (FiT) Scheme

- In relation to schools' participation in the FiT Scheme, DSS schools are not allowed to increase tuition fees for the reason of participating in the FiT Scheme. Relevant expenditure will not be considered in the assessment of any applications for fee revision.
- For details, please refer to the EDBCM No.113/2018 on *Participation of Schools in Feed-in Tariff (FiT) Scheme* issued on 20 August 2018.

Provision of Fee Remission and Scholarship Scheme (1)

- A DSS school will receive full DSS subsidy from EDB unless its school fee level exceeds 2 & 1/3 of the DSS unit subsidy rates (X). Beyond this school fee level, EDB will not provide any DSS subsidy to the school.



- If a DSS school charges a school fee exceeding 2/3 and up to 2 & 1/3 of the DSS unit subsidy rate, then for every additional dollar charged over and above 2/3 of the DSS unit subsidy rate, the school should set aside 50 cents or 10% of total school fees for the year, whichever is the greater, for the Fee Remission and Scholarship Scheme.



**Information for preparing budget for provision for fee remission and scholarship scheme
for 2019/20 school year**

(a) 2018/19 projected DSS unit subsidy rates

A. Applicable to schools with operating history below 16 years				B. Applicable to schools with operating history of 16 years or above		
Class Level	DSS unit subsidy rate (X)	2/3X	2-1/3 X	DSS unit subsidy rate (X)	2/3X	2-1/3 X
<u>Primary</u>	(\$pppa)	(\$pppa)	(\$pppa)	(\$pppa)	(\$pppa)	(\$pppa)
P1- P6	58,387	38,925	136,236	60,820	40,547	141,913
<u>Secondary</u>						
S1 - S3	60,482	40,321	141,125	62,353	41,569	145,490
S4 - S6	73,996	49,331	172,657	76,285	50,857	177,998



Provision for Fee Remission and Scholarship (2)

- Schools with fee increase applications are required to show the calculation of the amount set aside for fee remission and scholarship schemes for both the 2019/20 budget and the 2018/19 revised estimates. 
- Deployment of Fee Remission and Scholarship funds is by the school as a whole.
- School fee incomes of both local and non-local students should be set aside under one pool.

**(For school applying fee revision for the 2019/20 school year)
Provision for Fee Remission and Scholarship Scheme**

Name of School : _____

1. Provision for Fee Remission and Scholarship Scheme for the 2018/19 and 2019/20 School Years

	2018/19 Revised Estimates \$	2019/20 Budget \$
<u>Required Provision</u> for Fee Remission and Scholarship Scheme as computed in Schedule 2d p.2 and p.3 (A)		
<u>Provision made by school</u> in the income and expenditure statement (per Schedule 2a p.1) (B)		
Surplus / (Shortfall) [(B) - (A)]		

(I) Income and Expenditure Statement under Operating Reserve

Name of School : _____

	2017/18 School Year Audited Accounts (A)	2018/19 School Year		2019/20 School Year Budget			Year on year change Increase / (Decrease) 2018/19 Vs 2017/18 [(C)-(A)]/(A)	Year on year change Increase / (Decrease) 2019/20 Vs 2018/19 [(F)-(C)]/(C)
		Original Budget (B)	Revised Estimates (C)	Government Funds (D)	Non- Government Funds (E)	Total (F) = (D) + (E)		
INCOME	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	%	%
1. School fees (gross) (Schedule 2c)								
Less :								
Provision for fee remission and scholarship scheme (Schedule 2d)				N.A.				
2. Reimbursement of Government rent and rates					N.A.		---	---
3. DSS subsidy (Schedule 2c)					N.A.		---	---
4. Interest income								
5. Rental income				N.A.				
6. Donations for general purpose				N.A.				
7. Others (please provide further breakdown for 2017/18 to 2019/20 when the total for 2019/20 is over \$0.1M)								
TOTAL INCOME								

An example for the required provision for fee remission and scholarship schemes for the 2019/20 budget of a secondary school aged below 16 years:

Class Level	School Fee	Projected DSS Unit Subsidy Rate for 2018/19 school year	2/3 of DSS Unit Subsidy Rate	School Fee > 2/3 DSS Unit Subsidy Rate (Y/N)	Total School Fee	Projected Enrolment as at 1.9.2019	Amount set aside for class level with school fee > 2/3 DSS Unit Subsidy Rate	10% of School Fee	To adopt Amount in (f) or (g)	Required Provision for Fee Remission and Scholarship Scheme by Level for 2019/20
	(a)	(b)	(c) = 2/3(b)		(d)	(e)	(f) = [(a) - (c)] x (e) x 1/2 (\$)	(g) = (d) x 10% (\$)		(\$)
	(\$pppa)	(\$pppa)	(\$pppa)		(\$)					
S1	51,000	60,482	40,321	Y	6,885,000	135	720,810	688,500	(f)	720,810
S2	45,000	60,482	40,321	Y	6,930,000	154	360,257	693,000	(g)	693,000
S3	40,000	60,482	40,321	N	5,400,000	135	-	540,000	(g)	540,000
S4	35,000	73,996	49,331	N	5,880,000	168	-	588,000	(g)	588,000
S5	35,000	73,996	49,331	N	5,705,000	163	-	570,500	(g)	570,500
S6	35,000	73,996	49,331	N	5,250,000	150	-	525,000	(g)	525,000
Total school fee income per accounts:					<u>36,050,000</u>					<u>3,647,310</u>



Non-local Curriculum

Schools offering Non-local Curriculum should:

- indicate actual and projected number of classes and enrolment of non-local curriculum in Appendix 1 [for schools not proposing fee revision] or Schedule 2 (c) [for schools proposing fee revision] of Template;
- provide separate income and expenditure statement (in Schedules 2 (a) & 2 (b) of the Template) if different school fees will be charged for non-local curriculum classes.

Number of Classes, Enrolment, Fee Income and DSS Subsidy

Name of School : _____

1. 2018/19 - Revised Estimates (Note 1)

Class Level	2018/19 School Year										
	Actual Number of Classes (A)	Actual Enrolment at the End of Month Preceding the Date of Fee Revision Application		Actual School Fee (Per Pupil Per Annum)		Number of Instalments Per Annum (F)	Gross School Fee Income			Actual Enrolment at the End of Month Preceding the Date of Fee Application eligible for DSS Subsidy (Note 2) (J)	Estimated DSS Subsidy from Government (Note 4) (K)
		Number of Local Students (Note 2) (B)	Number of Non-local Students (Note 3) (C)	Local Students (Note 2) (D)	Non-local Students (Note 3) (E)		Local Students (G)=(B)x(D)	Non-local Students (H)=(C)x(E)	Total (I)=(G)+(H)		
Primary 1				\$	\$		\$	\$	\$		\$
Primary 2											
Primary 3											
Primary 4											
Primary 5											
Primary 6											
Secondary 1											
Secondary 2											
Secondary 3											
Secondary 4											
Secondary 5 (Local Curriculum)											
Secondary 6 (Local Curriculum)											
Secondary 5 (Non-local Curriculum)											
Secondary 6 (Non-local Curriculum)											
									(Schedule 2a)		(Schedule 2a)

Notes :

- The income of private classes, if any, should NOT be included in the statement.
For the former aided/Caput school admitted to the DSS, please provide the Revised Estimates for the 2018/19 school year for ex-aided/ex-Caput classes and DSS classes in separate sheets.
- Please include the number of non-local students eligible for DSS subsidy in this column.
The school fees for non-local students eligible for DSS subsidy at a certain level should be the same as that of the local students at the same level.
- Non-local students are not eligible for DSS subsidy (except those specified in EDB Circular No. 13/2018).
Different fee levels should be set for non-local students not eligible for DSS subsidy to ensure no cross-subsidization of government funds to these students. School fee for non-local students (who are not eligible for DSS subsidy) should be not less than the sum of the school fee for local students and the projected DSS unit subsidy rate. If the proposed school fee for non-local students is more than the sum, justifications should be provided.
Examples of setting the school fees for non-local students are provided at Appendix 8.
- DSS subsidy is calculated as follows -

Actual enrolment at end of month preceding date of application eligible for DSS subsidy, Column (J)

X

Projected rates of DSS subsidy per pupil per annum applicable to the income banding of the school fee [as per p.1 of Appendix 6]

