

The Deputy Minister of Education concluded 10 urgent policies of Education Reform to be conducted in 2555



On 17th February 2011, the OEC organized the 3rd/2011 Education Reform Sub-Committee for the Second Decade of Education Reform Meeting with Mr. Chaiyos Chirametakorn, Deputy Minister of Education as Chairperson, concerning the expediting of Second Decade Education Reform Policy (2552-2561). The meeting has considered and approved the budget framework of approximately 25,000 million Baht in the Second Decades of Education Reform Policy (2555-2561), proposed by the OEC, which will be submitted to the Committee for the Second Decade of Education Reform chaired by the Prime Minister.

Mr. Chaiyos said that the urgent policies, already endorsed by the meeting and will be conducted in 2555 are as follows : 1) Development of learner's skills in sciences, mathematics, technology, Thai, English and other foreign languages as well as information technology which will be implemented as national agenda; 2) Adjustment of 70:30 formula of the curriculum and learning/teaching; 3) Development of teacher's skills in sciences, mathematics, Thai, English and other foreign languages as well as information technology in all levels for all kinds of teachers, namely vocational teachers, alternative teachers, non-formal teachers and teachers of teachers; 4) Acceleration of preparation on new generation teachers through recruiting and selecting persons with teacher's spirit, qualified and decent persons and developing their skills to be facilitators; 5) Speedup of needed specialized teachers production and vocational teachers in various ways i.e. inviting students who are educated abroad with financial incentives or enhancing the personnel from industrial sectors to become teachers. 6) Enhancement of excellent schools in sub districts, districts and provinces. The improvement of quality with networking system, developing partner schools, encouraging the participatory roles of local administrators. 7) MOU between administrators, teachers in educational service areas, educational institutions and learning sources to stimulate cooperation on various learning management for learners. 8) Strengthening capacity and decreasing the waste of small schools including merging, improving efficiency by using school mapping and step-up implementation plan. 9. Expansion of vocational and higher education to reach the working group and the elderly and also establishment of vocational institutes which develop vocational education for learners in practitioner level.

The meeting also agreed to include the following: 10. Opportunities to access the education standard and 3Ns through linkage of Uninet for all schools and communities including development of ICT with both national and educational institutes' standard, as well as improvement of knowledge centre. As for the adjustment of budget allocation emphasizing demand side, the OEC will conduct the research how to expedite the Education Reform after which the budget will thus be allocated appropriately. The Deputy Minister of Education finally concluded that the 2555 budget would approximately be 25,000 million Baht.