

INFORMATION SHEET ON THE 2016 PSLE RESULTS OF STUDENTS EXEMPTED FROM COMPULSORY EDUCATION

1. Under the Compulsory Education (CE) Act, the six full-time madrasahs and San Yu Adventist School are required to meet a minimum PSLE benchmark² at least twice in each 3-year assessment period from 2008 onwards, in order to continue to admit new Primary 1 (P1) pupils. Each home-schooled child is also expected to meet the same benchmark as San Yu Adventist School.

Madrasahs

2. 254 CE-exempt students from the 2011 P1 cohort were enrolled in the madrasahs and sat for the PSLE this year³. All four madrasahs with CE-exempt students taking the 2016 PSLE met the PSLE benchmark⁴.

San Yu Adventist School

3. One CE-exempt student from the 2011 P1 cohort was enrolled in San Yu Adventist School and sat for the PSLE this year. San Yu Adventist School met the PSLE benchmark.

Home-schooled Children

4. There were 37 CE-exempt home-schooled children from the 2011 P1 cohort who sat for their PSLE this year. Seven of them did not meet the benchmark.

5. Home-schooled children who did not meet the PSLE benchmark must re-sit the PSLE in 2017. Should they wish to attend a mainstream primary school to take full advantage of the resources in mainstream schools to better prepare for the 2017 PSLE, MOE will facilitate their admission to a suitable primary school. For home-schooled children who have met the PSLE benchmark, MOE will also facilitate their admission to a mainstream secondary school should they wish to do so.

² For madrasahs, the benchmark is pegged at the average PSLE aggregate score of Malay students taking four standard-level subjects in the six lowest-performing mainstream schools, ranked according to the performance of Malay students taking four standard-level subjects in the PSLE that year. Students who did not sit for the PSLE as expected are assigned the lowest possible PSLE score. For San Yu Adventist School, the benchmark is pegged at the 33rd percentile PSLE aggregate score of all students taking four standard-level subjects in the PSLE that year.

³ This does not include 19 students who had earlier transferred to mainstream schools.

⁴ Madrasah Al-Arabiah and Madrasah Aljunied voluntarily stopped admission of P1 students from 2009 onwards. As such, they do not have 2016 PSLE candidates.