Commission on Poverty Ad Hoc Group on the Elderly in Poverty

Meeting on Tuesday 19 September 2006 at 2.00pm, in Room 822, West Wing, Central Government Offices

Agenda

1. Work Programme of the Ad Hoc Group

Members will be invited to note CoP EP Paper 1/2006 which sets out the tentative work programme of the Ad Hoc Group.

2. Health Needs of the Elderly in Poverty - Medical Fee Waiver Mechanism (Item I of the Work Programme)

Members will be briefed by Health, Welfare and Food Bureau (HWFB)/Social Welfare Department (SWD) on the operation of the medical fee waiver mechanism. [CoP EP Paper 2/2006 provides background information on the subject]

3. Financial Needs of the Elderly in Poverty (Item II of the Work Programme)

Members will be briefed by HWFB/SWD on the Comprehensive Social Security Assistance (CSSA) Scheme in helping the elderly in poverty, including the current requirement on assets limit. [CoP EP Paper 3/2006 provides background information on the subject]

4. Assisting the "Hidden Elderly" (Item III of the Work Programme)

CoP EP Paper 4/2006 seeks Members' views on the next steps to strengthen our assistance to the "hidden elderly".

5. Collaboration with the Elderly Commission (EC) (Item IV of the Work Programme)

Members will be invited to discuss the areas of collaboration with the EC in delivering Item IV of the Work Programme.

6. Date of Next Meeting

7. Any Other Business

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