Towards a More Inclusive Society
Innovation Programme 2016
(Secondary School)
Introduction

- According to the World Health Organisation, over a billion people in the world live with a disability, and between 110 million and 190 million adults have significant difficulties in functioning.

  - Persons with disabilities are the world’s largest minority group.

- There are five main types of disability, which include:
  - Physical
  - Intellectual
  - Psychiatric
  - Sensory
  - Neurological

Our commitment towards an inclusive society to improve the lives of persons with disabilities and to increase access to opportunities for person with disability to maximise their potential.

Enabling Master Plan 2012-2016

To follow up on foundation laid by earlier disability-related initiatives, such as Enabling Masterplan 2007-2011.

Sets out to address the needs of persons with disabilities as well as the needs of their caregivers by means of a series of policy recommendations for relevant government agencies to take action.
Key themes of an inclusive society

- To create an inclusive society for persons with disabilities, we need to consider the following issues:
  - Early intervention
  - Education
  - Employment
  - Adult Care
  - Accessibility
Our progress in Singapore
What do the intended users feel about our progress?

- You will hear from some intended users during:
  - Launch
  - Workshop
  - Learning Journeys
How can I contribute to an inclusive society in IvP?

- Developing Assistive Technology
  - What can I make to improve the daily performances of people with disabilities?

- Improving Accessibility
  - How can I make it easier for people with disabilities to move from one point to another?

- Enabling Care Givers
  - How can I ease the demands placed upon the caregivers for people with disabilities?
Timeline

- 29 January – Launch of Innovation Challenge
- March Holiday – Disability Awareness Workshop
- 21 April – Mid-term Review by Community Partners
- 22 July – IvP Project Judging + Feedback
- 30 August – Young Innovators’ Fair
Judging Criteria

- **Novelty** – How different is your solution from existing solutions? Is there a ‘wow’ factor in your solution?

- **Insights** – What have you learnt about people with disabilities? What are their concerns and challenges?

- **Alignment** – How have you translated your insights into your solution? Which part of your insights motivated you to develop this solution?

- **Practicality** – What is the feasibility of implementing your solution? How effective is the solution if implemented?

- **Impact** – How much improvement will your innovation make to the lives of PWDs if implemented? Does the benefits far outweigh the cost?
Resources & References

- **Embracing Inclusion, An Introduction to Inclusion** (Disabled People’s Association, Singapore (DPA), 2015)

- **Enabling Masterplan 2012-2016**

- **Improving the Lives of Persons with Disabilities** (National Council for Social Services (NCSS), 2013)

- **Inclusive Education and an Inclusive Mindset for an Inclusive Society** (Society for the Physically Disabled (SPD), 2014)

- **Universal Design Guidelines – Commercial Buildings** (Building and Construction Authority (BCA), 2006)

- **Types of Assistive Technology and their Uses** (Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and National Development (NIH), https://www.nichd.nih.gov/health/topics/rehabtech/conditioninfo/Pages/device.aspx)
“Nothing about us without us”

Disability Rights Movement