Explanatory Notes on Main Statistical Indicators

Institutions Providing Postgraduate Programs refer to institutions of higher education and scientific research institutions recruiting and educating postgraduates of master's degree, doctor's degree and other degree upon approval by the State and under the State plan.

Regular Institutions of Higher Education refer to full-time universities, independent colleges and higher professional schools, short-term vocational colleges that are set up according to the State's establishment standards and examination and approval procedures, recruiting graduates from senior secondary schools as the main target through national unified entrance examination, and providing higher education.

Adult Institutions of Higher Education refer to educational establishments, set up in line with the State's establishment standards and examination and approval procedures, recruiting personnel with senior high school or equivalent educational diploma as the main target through national unified entrance examination for adult higher education, and providing higher education courses in many forms including correspondence, spare-time, or full-time teaching for adults. Adult institutions of higher education include schools of higher education for staff and workers, schools of higher education for farmers, colleges for management cadres, pedagogical colleges, independent correspondence colleges, Radio and TV universities and other educational establishments.

Higher Education Institutions refer to institutions offering higher education upon examination and approval by administrative departments in charge of education in provinces, autonomous regions and municipalities, with an education license, which are not eligible for conferring diploma.

Privately-funded Schools refer to schools and other educational institutions run by individuals, social groups and other social organizations upon approval by relevant competent authorities, by using educational funds not from state revenues.

Secondary Technical Education shall enable students to understand necessary basic theories and special knowledge on applied technologies of a specialty, have basic skills and technical application ability for practice of the specialty. Full-time secondary technical education offers a basic study term of 2-3 years.

Undergraduate Education shall enable students to understand necessary basic theories and knowledge of a subject or specialty, have necessary basic skills, methodology and relevant knowledge of the specialty, and have preliminary skills for practical work and research of the specialty. Full-time undergraduate education offers a basic study term of 4-5 years.

Master's-degree Postgraduate Education shall enable students to understand solid basic theories, systematic

professional knowledge of a subject, have relevant skills, methodology and relevant knowledge of the specialty, and have the ability for practical work and research of the specialty. Master's-degree postgraduate education offers a basic study term of 2-3 years.

Doctor's-degree Postgraduate Education shall enable students to understand solid and extensive basic theories, systematic and in-depth professional knowledge, relevant skills and methodology of a subject, have the ability for independent creative scientific research and practical work of the specialty. Doctor's-degree postgraduate education offers a basic study term of 3-4 years.

Online Students refer to students for Internet-based higher education for diplomas for general undergraduate courses, undergraduate courses for adults, and secondary technical courses, recruited in online education colleges opened in schools as modern remote education pilots approved by the Ministry of Education.

International Students refers to foreign students without Chinese nationality who are educated in schools in accordance with the *Administrative Measures for Schools in Recruiting and Educating International Students*.

Number of Graduates means the number of enrolled students who have completed all courses stated in the teaching plan within the last academic year, passed all exams and obtained a diploma.

Number of New Enrollments refers to the number of new students who have actually been recruited and completed their student status registration.

Number of Enrolled Students means the number of enrolled students who registered their student status at the beginning of this academic year.

Number of Students Completing Courses means the number of enrolled students completing their schooling with one and more courses not passed (including the graduation paper or graduation design) or other aspects not passed, who are not granted for graduation and awarded a certificate of completion, excluding the number of students completing short-term training courses and single-subject programs.

Number of Teachers and Staff means the number of full-time staff (including the permanent staff and those who have signed the employment contract for one year or more) employed by schools (institutions) of all levels and all kinds according to the position.

Full-time Teachers refer to the staff in teacher position engaged in full-time teaching work who have the teaching qualification under the *Teachers Law of the People's Republic of China* and the *Regulations on the Qualification of Teachers* and have been employed by schools according to the guidance on the management of setting of relevant positions.

Schools for Special Education refer to the independently set up schools with places and facilities with such characteristics as being suitable for learning, rehabilitation and life of disabled children and adolescents that enroll the blind, deaf and mute children and adolescents as well as those with mentally disabilities or other special needs to offer general primary, general secondary or secondary vocational education. They include schools for the blind, schools for the deaf, schools for the mentally disabled and other special education schools.

Area of Land Occupied by School means the area of land within campus, excluding the area of land occupied by farms,

forest farms and school-run factories that are owned by the school but are outside the schoolyard.

Floor Space of Schoolhouse refers to the floor space of schoolhouses that are used by the school for school running and can be occupied and used for a long time (more than one year) or in which the school has property right.

Area of Dilapidated Houses refers to the area of those houses that have not been repaired for many years, have seriously damaged components, are at the risk of collapse, and are identified by the house administration authority as dilapidated houses.