

## **APPENDICES**

**APPENDIX A:****Table 3.1: List of PPSMI Reports in The STAR**

| <b>NEWS REPORTS</b> |  |   |
|---------------------|--|---|
| <b>DATES</b>        | <b>TITLES</b>  | <b>AUTHORS</b>  |
| June 9, 2009        | Boost quality of teaching'                           | Staff Report  |
| June 28, 2009       | The national language is for all                     | Priya Kulasagaran   |
| July 2, 2009        | Don't bypass chance to better educate our children.  | Liong Kam Chong   |
| July 8, 2009        | Policy Reversal On PPSMI                             | Nuraina Abd Samad   |
| July 9, 2009        | 2012 deadline on Science and Maths to cushion impact | Staff Report  |
| July 10, 2009       | Abdullah in favour of reversal to BM                 | Staff Report  |
| July 10, 2009       | Aim has not changed, only the method, says Najib     | Mazwin Nik Anis   |
| July 12, 2009       | Challenging chapter ahead                            | Karen Chapman, Hariati Azizan, Tan Shiow Chin, Sarah Chew, Richard Lim and Gladys Tay |
| July 12, 2009       | Is there a need to revert?                           | Staff Report  |
| July 12, 2009       | Divided over decision                                | Staff Report  |
| July 12, 2009       | Differing opinions                                   | Staff Report  |
| July 12, 2009       | A let-down for many                                  | Staff Report  |

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|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| July 12, 2009      | Mixed views on policy   | Staff Report                        |
| July 12, 2009      | Striking a balance  | Staff Report                        |
| July 15, 2009      | Cabinet to study feedback on the switch                                       | Staff Report                        |
| July 16, 2009      | Govt. to be firm on PPSMI   | Staff Report                        |
| July 17, 2009      | PPSMI: Decision to revert stands, says Muhyiddin                              | Karen Chapman                       |
| July 19, 2009      | PPSMI not good for rural kids   | Clara Chooi                         |
| July 22, 2009      | More incentives for English teachers in rural areas                           | Staff Report                        |
| August 9, 2009     | DPM: Those who started Maths, Science in English can continue                 | Karen Chapman                       |
| August 10, 2009    | An apology to parents   | Staff Report                        |
| August 20, 2009    | Ministry to act against those who switch to BM too soon                       | Staff Report                        |
| July 12, 2009      | A let-down for many   | Staff Report                        |
| July 12, 2009      | Mixed views on policy   | Staff Report                        |
| September 13, 2009 | An educational insight  | Karen Chapman                       |
| October 20, 2009   | Teaching of Science and Maths in BM for Year One could possibly begin in 2011 | LohFoon Fong                        |
| Nov. 8, 2009       | English-medium options  | Nadia Mahmud and Cindy Poh          |
| March 28, 2010     | More hours raise concern  | Karen Chapman and Priya Kulasagaran |

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| May 9, 2010 | Teachers back decision on teaching science and maths in English | Tan Shiow Chin    |
| May 9, 2010 | Students talk back  | Priya Kulasagaran |

| <b>OPINION EDITORIALS</b> |  |                   |
|---------------------------|--|-------------------|
| <b>DATES</b>              | <b>TITLES</b>                              | <b>AUTHORS</b>    |
| July 17, 2009             | Make time for English                      | Anonymous         |
| July 20, 2009             | Better methods not enough                  | Anonymous         |
| July 26, 2009             | Be proactive                               | Anonymous         |
| August 11, 2009           | Just explain in simple language            | Anonymous         |
| Nov. 2, 2009              | Make main stream attractive enough         | Anonymous         |
| March 28, 2010            | Teachers in a trap                         | Priya Kulasagaran |
| May 14, 2010              | An objective look at the PPSMI controversy | An Observer       |

| <b>LETTERS TO THE EDITORS</b> |  |                               |
|-------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| <b>DATES</b>                  | <b>TITLES</b>  | <b>AUTHORS</b>                |
| July 17, 2009                 | Let's get things right this time. Why Not?               | Wong Sai Wan                  |
| July 19, 2009                 | Too short a time   | A Retired Teacher             |
| July 19, 2009                 | Unfair to blame teachers alone for poor English standard | A Concerned Teacher           |
| August 2, 2009                | Let students decide                                      | Anonymous                     |
| August 12, 2009               | Find right solutions through right means                 | Kudos                         |
| March 21, 2010                | More hours raise concern                                 | Datin Noor Azimah Abdul Rahim |
| March 21, 2010                | Obvious flaws in new policy                              | Datin Noor Azimah Abdul Rahim |
| April 4, 2010                 | Of 'kursus' and missed lessons                           | Anonymous                     |
| May 24, 2010                  | Spacemen will likely speak in English                    | Anonymous                     |
| June 13, 2010                 | Reservations over free laptops                           | Anonymous                     |
| June 16, 2010                 | Rethink JPA strategy for overseas awards                 | Anonymous                     |
| June 27, 2010                 | Don't act in haste                                       | Anonymous                     |

**APPENDIX B:****3.2 List of PPSMI Reports in the New Straits Time**

| <b>NEWS REPORTS</b> |   |                                 |
|---------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| <b>DATES</b>        | <b>TITLES</b>   | <b>AUTHORS</b>                  |
| February 1, 2009    | Decision to use English criticised  | Staff Report                    |
| March 5, 2009       | Warning against gathering   | Staff Report                    |
| March 9, 2009       | Decide and implement  | Staff Report                    |
| March 10, 2009      | Bloggers in civilised debate  | Staff Report                    |
| March 10, 2009      | Teaching Of Science And Mathematics In English: Police going after protesters | Staff Report                    |
| March 11, 2009      | Pledge to consider kids' future in language issue                             | Staff Report                    |
| March 13, 2009      | SPM 2008: Rural students outdo urban peers                                    | Farrah Naz Karim and Regina Lee |
| March 17, 2009      | No decision yet on Mathes and Science in English                              | Staff Report                    |
| March 20, 2009      | Minister wants input from all parties   | Staff Report                    |
| March 21, 2009      | CROSS TALK 'English must be in the equation'                                  | Koh Lay Chin                    |
| March 27, 2009      | USE OF ENGLISH: Teachers' competence matters                                  | M.A. Nair                       |
| April 3, 2009       | Final decision on the use of English soon                                     | Audrey Dermawan                 |

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|----------------|--|----------------------|
| April 14, 2009 | Khairy: Improve the quality of English teachers first    | Staff Report         |
| April 21, 2010 | Court to clarify students' suit to teaching in English   | Staff Report         |
| May 24, 2009   | Science, Mathes decision in 6 months                     | Staff Report         |
| June 6, 2009   | Study on compulsory SPM pass in English                  | Suganthi Suparmaniam |
| June 8, 2009   | English as compulsory SPM pass subject?                  | Suganthi Suparmaniam |
| Jun 14, 2009   | Compulsory English would mean 130,000 without SPM        | Koh Lay Chin         |
| June 23, 2009  | Muhyiddin: Computer labs to become English language labs | Bernamea             |
| June 27, 2010  | In a bind over UPSR and PMR                              | Devi Renganayar      |
| July 7, 2009   | PPSMI: Cabinet to decide on use of English tomorrow      | Bernamea             |
| July 8. 2009   | Decision on English or BM will be final                  | Staff Report         |
| July 8, 2009   | Decision today on BM or English                          | Sajahan Abdul Waheed |
| July 9, 2009   | Must pass for SPM next                                   | HamidahAtan          |
| July 10, 2009  | Good English still target                                | HamidahAtan          |

| <b>NEWS REPORTS</b> |  |                |
|---------------------|--|----------------|
| <b>DATES</b>        | <b>TITLES</b>  | <b>AUTHORS</b> |
| July 11, 2009       | Let's move on and work on things we agree on         | Koh Lay Chin   |
| July 11, 2009       | We need English to acquire knowledge                 | Staff Report   |
| July 11, 2009       | DPM: Back to BM a step forward                       | Staff Report   |
| July 12, 2009       | Bold move for the good of all.                       | Staff Report   |
| July 12, 2009       | Bold move for the good of all                        | Chok Suat Ling |
| July 13, 2009       | A familiar lesson                                    | Staff Report   |
| July 14, 2009       | Making way for English, shorter hours for 3 subjects | Hamidah Atan   |
| July 14, 2009       | Opposition chief at odds over PPSMI                  | Staff Report   |
| July 16, 2009       | Taking a new tack on mastering English               | Chok Suat Ling |
| July 19, 2009       | Brochures to explain policy reversal                 | Regina Lee     |
| August 10, 2009     | Muhyiddin sorry about incident                       | Staff Report   |
| August 11, 2009     | Teachers happy over latest move on use on English.   | Staff Report   |
| August 9, 2009      | Parents' vote to keep PPSMI policy                   | Staff Report   |
| August 20, 2009     | A soft landing into confusion                        | Lee Cheng Poh  |



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|-------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| August 22, 2009   | Claims against Pas candidate 'big joke'               | Staff Report                      |
| August 30, 2009   | Practical ways to better English                      | Koh lay chin                      |
| August 31, 2009   | Gapena wants PPSMI gone by next year                  | Staff Report                      |
| October 4, 2009   | Activist on same page with regard to education policy | Staff Report                      |
| October 21, 2009  | Science, Maths in Bahasa may start a year earlier     | V. Vasudevan                      |
| October 23, 2009  | Parents seek an option on english                     | Vasudevan, Sipalan and Lydia      |
| November 1, 2009  | SK Assunta parents want English option too            | Staff Report                      |
| November 8, 2009  | Can we have science & Mathes in English in some schoo | Renganayar and Ramachandran       |
| December 8, 2009  | Move to penalise Muhyiddin fails                      | Vasudevan, Sajahan, Lydia, Liyana |
| February 13, 2010 | April 20 for decision on PPSMI                        | Staff Report                      |
| February 25, 2009 | Every language has a role to play                     | ZainulAriffin                     |
| February 25, 2009 | Plug shortcomings in policy                           | AzmanBujang                       |

| <b>OPINION EDITORIALS</b> |  |                         |
|---------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| <b>DATES</b>              | <b>TITLES</b>  | <b>AUTHORS</b>          |
| March 7, 2009             | Not anti-English, not pro-Bahasa .. Just politics again!   | Anonymous               |
| April 6, 2009             | Focus on improving teaching of language instead            | Azizah Abdul Rahman     |
| April 18, 2009            | English: An outsider's perspective                         | James Campbell          |
| June 17, 2009             | USE OF ENGLISH: Fix more urgent problems first             | Chandra Muzaffar        |
| July 13, 2009             | My Say: All is not lost                                    | AzamAris                |
| July 2, 2009              | PAHIT MANIS: We want children to be good in English and BM | Ahmad A Talib           |
| July 6, 2009              | My Say: Get it right this time                             | AzamAris                |
| July 10, 2009             | We acknowledge importance of English, says Muhyiddin       | Regina Lee              |
| July 11, 2009             | Bring the fun back to the teaching of English              | Johan Jaaffar           |
| July 11, 2009             | Win-win approach to teaching school children               | Anonymous               |
| July 19, 2009             | Why PPSMI reversal makes sense                             | Nor Hashimah Jalaluddin |
| July 26, 2009             | Give us the option, say parents                            | AzuraAbas               |
| August 9, 2009            | It was a matter of survival                                | Farrah Naz Karim        |
| October 30, 2009          | Simple poll shows majority in favour                       | Lee Cheng Poh           |
| November 9, 2009          | Allow schools the English Option                           | Noor Azimah Abdul Rahim |

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| November 9, 2009 | My Say: Be daring, allow English-medium schools | Ho Kay Tat              |
| Dec 18, 2009     | Send out a clear message on PPSMI               | Noor Azimah Abdul Rahim |
| Feb 14, 2010     | New English curriculum next year                | DessDahasry             |
| March 12, 2010   | Heed parents' wishes                            | Lee Cheng Poh           |

| <b>LETTERS TO THE EDITORS</b> |  |  |
|-------------------------------|--|--|
| <b>DATES</b>                  | <b>TITLES</b>                                      | <b>AUTHORS</b>                           |
| January 11, 2010              | Self-serving decision for ministry                 | LiongKam Chong                           |
| February 18, 2009             | Group against teaching in english                  | Vasudevan, Eileen, June and Suparmaninam |
| February 23, 2009             | Care for our children's future                     | RidzuanZulkifli                          |
| March 3, 2009                 | Enough of the politics                             | Sulaimanmahran                           |
| March 3, 2009                 | Let's work with the ministry                       | Nor Azimah Abdul Rahman                  |
| March 12, 2009                | Results prove we are on the right track            | Wan Mohamed Sal                          |
| March 23, 2009                | USE OF ENGLISH: We can't afford a U-turn on policy | W.K.Y.                                   |
| March 29, 2009                | Let the patents decide                             | Nor Azimah Abdul Rahim                   |

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|----------------|---|-------------------------|
| March 31, 2009 | SCIENCE AND MATHS: Decide only after a proper study | Farida Shah             |
| May 12, 2009   | Master English by learning English, not others      | UmapaganAmpikaipan      |
| May 13, 2009   | Meanwhile, the perks continue                       | Liong Kam Chong         |
| May 13, 2009   | Give parents the choice                             | Noor Azimah Abdul Rahim |
| June 5, 2009   | Consider the choice of parents                      | LinongKam China         |
| June 12, 2009  | Check situation on the ground                       | LiongKam Chong          |
| June 23, 2009  | It's too soon to decide                             | Lim Chin Lam            |
| June 24, 2009  | Foreign firm fear workers' English skills           | Liongkam Chong          |
| June 29, 2009  | Ministry took note of all views                     | Mohd Solihin Badri      |
| July 1, 2009   | A difficult decision on PPSMI                       | Zamri Mahmud            |
| July 2, 2009   | Parents' views must count                           | Roz Mawaz               |
| July 3, 2009   | Set aside selfish interests in PPSMI decision       | LiongKam Chong          |
| July 10, 2009  | Back-to-Bahasa move will benefit all students       | AzrinaArshad            |
| July 11, 2009  | Win-win approach to teaching school children        | LokmanMansor            |

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|------------------|---|----------------------------|
| July 13,<br>2009 | Our children will suffer                    | L. C. P.                   |
| July 13,<br>2009 | Bold decision                               | Praveen Shawn<br>Fernandez |
| July 14,<br>2009 | Daunting task                               | Jeremiah Tan               |
| July 14,<br>2009 | Audit First                                 | Liong Kam Chong            |
| July 15,<br>2009 | Let the children choose                     | M. A. Nair                 |
| July 15,<br>2009 | Traumatic and confusing time for kids       | Pavitria Muthiah           |
| July 16,<br>2009 | How do we train for our future<br>teachers? | Liong Kam Chong            |
| July 17,<br>2009 | Offer them both languages                   | V. T. Lingam               |

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| <b>DATES</b>                  | <b>TITLES</b>  | <b>AUTHORS</b>            |
| July 17, 2009                 | Rethink post-PPSMI plan                              | L. M.                     |
| July 21, 2009                 | Primed for belly flop in job mart                    | LiongKam Chong            |
| July 24, 2009                 | English policy did no harm                           | Nor Azimah Abdul<br>Rahim |
| July 27, 2009                 | Invest in one strong national language<br>for future | Zamri Mahmud              |

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|-----------------------|---|----------------------------|
| August 4,<br>2009     | Having English-medium schools too             | AdriHemy Abdul<br>Ghani    |
| August 11,<br>2009    | A strategy for both languages to thrive       | Zamri Mahmud               |
| August 17,<br>2009    | Getting the questions right                   | Lourdesamy                 |
| August 18,<br>2009    | Anything but a soft landing it will be        | LiongKam Chong             |
| September 28,<br>2009 | Don't let our kids get left behind in<br>race | LiongKam Chong             |
| October 27,<br>2009   | That PPSMI survey is not good enough          | Narinder Pal Singh         |
| October 30,<br>2009   | Parents' view matter most                     | Jeremiah Tan               |
| November 13,<br>2009  | Ministry must stick by decision               | Sa'ariHasan                |
| November 18,<br>2009  | It's the language of knowledge                | Noor Azimah Abdul<br>Rahim |
| November 23,<br>2009  | Do not belittle Bahasa Malaysia               | Wan Hashim                 |
| November 25,<br>2009  | So many people cannot be wrong                | Ibrahim Zakaria            |
| November 25,<br>2009  | An advantage                                  | Y. L.                      |
| November 26,<br>2009  | PPSMI waivers must not be granted             | Sa'ari Hasan               |

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|-------------------|--|-------------------------|
| November 30, 2009 | English now a mother tongue  | E. L.                   |
| November 30, 2009 | Think of the future  | Samuel Yesuiah          |
| December 1, 2009  | Policy failed to make gains at expense of Bhasa Malaysia                 | Marisa Demori           |
| December 2, 2009  | Study shows support for use of English                                   | M. A. Nair              |
| December 16, 2009 | Get schools and parents vote on PPSMI issue                              | Noor Azimah Abdul Rahim |
| December 18, 2009 | Send out a clear message on PPSMI  | Noor Azimah Abdul Rahim |
| June 24, 2010     | Maths and Science in English: Foreign firms fear workers' English skills | LiongKam Chong          |
| June 24, 2010     | It's too specialised   | Amir Yazid              |
| June 24, 2010     | Maths and Science in English: It's too specialised                       | Amir Yazid              |

**APPENDIX C:**

**Table 3.3: Distribution of the reports.**

| Newspapers             | The NST      | The Star     | Agree        |              | Disagree     |             | Discussions  |             |
|------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
|                        |              |              | NSTP         | Star         | NSTP         | Star        | NSTP         | Star        |
| News report            | 49           | 30           | 31           | 18           | 2            | 9           | 4            | 3           |
| Opinion editorials     | 21           | 7            | 11           | 3            | 6            | 2           | 4            | 2           |
| Letters to the Editors | 46           | 12           | 22           | 5            | 13           | 2           | 11           | 5           |
| <b>Total</b>           | <b>116</b>   | <b>49</b>    | <b>62</b>    | <b>26</b>    | <b>21</b>    | <b>13</b>   | <b>19</b>    | <b>10</b>   |
| <b>Percentage</b>      | <b>70.3%</b> | <b>29.7%</b> | <b>37.6%</b> | <b>15.8%</b> | <b>12.7%</b> | <b>7.8%</b> | <b>11.7%</b> | <b>6.1%</b> |



**APPENDIX D:**

**Table 3.4: Number of articles related to PPSMI in the newspapers (January 2009 to June 2010)**

| <b>Newspapers</b>             | <b>The NST</b> | <b>The Star</b> |
|-------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| <b>News report</b>            | <b>49</b>      | <b>30</b>       |
| <b>Opinion editorials</b>     | <b>21</b>      | <b>7</b>        |
| <b>Letters to the Editors</b> | <b>46</b>      | <b>12</b>       |

**APPENDIX E**

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