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## CHARACTERISTICS OF DAY CARE OPERATORS & PARENTS' PERSPECTIVE

Early Years Factsheet is an initiative of the Institute of Early Childhood Development (IECD) that presents a snapshot of the research carried out in Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE). Through this Factsheet, IECD aims to widely disseminate the findings in a manner that is simple and easy to understand for the general population.

The Institute of Early Childhood Development (IECD) conducted an assessment in 27 Day Care Centres across the country (Mahe, Praslin and La Digue) from 11th- 20th February 2019 with the aim of establishing the quality status of services being provided in all Day Care Centres.

This study was carried out in two parts : (i) The baseline assessment of the quality of day care service provision in collaboration with SEED Institute, Singapore and (ii) a survey exploring the characteristics of day care operators and the perspectives of parents accessing day care services. This Factsheet presents the results from the surveys.



 **27** DAYCARE CENTRES

 **1187** CHILDREN

 **801** PARENTS

### Region-wise Comparisons



Staff in some Day Care Centres in East Mahe are professionally the least qualified in Early Childhood Care and Education.

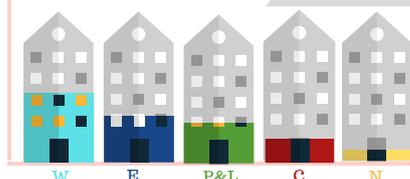


### Where?

### FORMALLY QUALIFIED STAFF

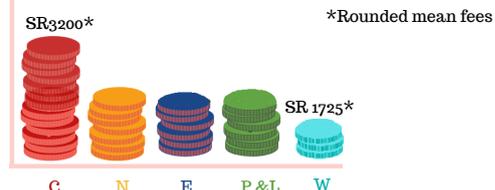
All Day Care Centres in West Mahe are government owned and 50% of them need major repairs/ renovation.

There was also a lack of amenities such as sick bays, reception areas and staff rooms in the Day Care Centres in West Mahe.



### MAJOR REPAIRS & RENOVATION NEEDED

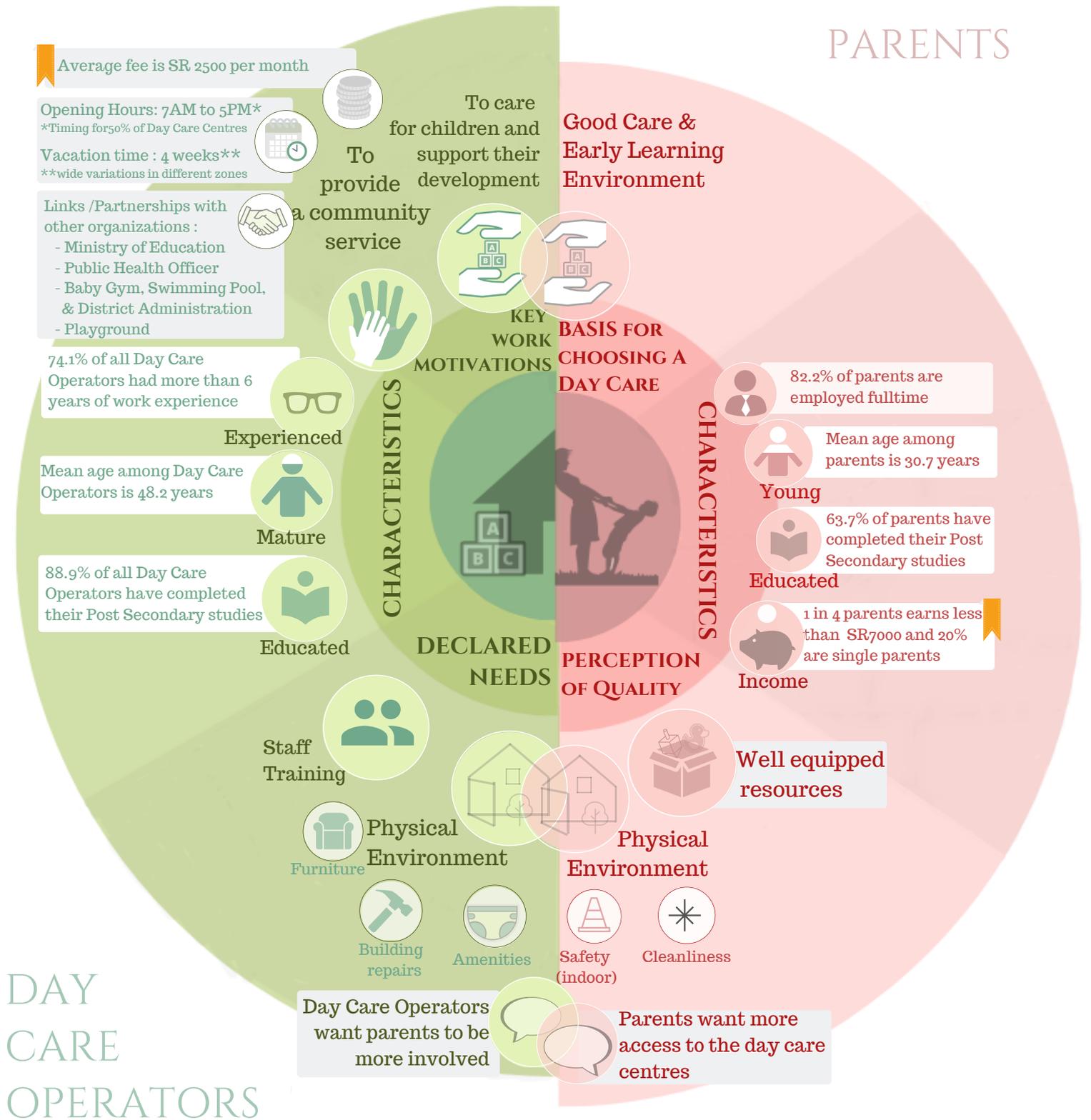
The fees for Day Care Centres are highest in Central Mahe and lowest in West Mahe.



### FEES CHARGED



## Findings from the survey



This survey has shed light on important factors related to Day Care services. This knowledge will be used to initiate policy dialogue for the improvement of Day Care Services.

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