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MAJOR EFFORT TO FOSTER 'CLEAN HK' SPIRIT

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URBAN AND REGIONAL COUNCILLORS WERE JOINED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF MAJOR COMMERCIAL ORGANISATIONS AND COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB (CYC) MEMBERS AT A FUNCTION HELD THIS (SATURDAY) MORNING TO MARK THE START OF A TERRITORY-WIDE KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN APPEAL DAY.

ORGANISED BY THE JOINT URBAN COUNCIL/REGIONAL COUNCIL KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN STEERING COMMITTEE, THE FUNCTION WAS ONE OF THE BIGGEST COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION PROGRAMMES EVER HELD IN PROPAGATING A COMMUNITY SPIRIT IN KEEPING HONG KONG CLEAN.

THE FUNCTION WAS MARKED BY A "DELEGATION OF MISSION" CEREMONY HELD AT STATUE SQUARE IN CENTRAL.

THE APPEAL DAY FEATURES THE DISTRIBUTION OF KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN STICKERS TO THE PUBLIC THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY, WITH THE HELP OF 1,900 CYC MEMBERS.

THE PARTICIPATION OF 13 COMMERCIAL ORGANISATIONS HAS ENABLED THE STICKERS TO BE DISTRIBUTED ON A WIDE SCALE THROUGH MORE THAN 500 RETAIL OUTLETS OF CHAIN-STORES, SUPERMARKETS, BOUTIQUES, AND DEPARTMENTAL STORES.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT URBAN COUNCIL/REGIONAL COUNCIL KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN STEERING COMMITTEE, DR PANG HOK-TUEN, SAID AFTER THE CEREMONY THAT "15 YEARS OF ACTIVE CAMPAIGNING HAVE GRADUALLY BROUGHT HONG KONG PEOPLE TO REALISE THAT THEY HAVE GOT TO PLAY A PART IN THE KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN OPERATION TO MAKE IT WORK.

"TODAY'S JOINT EFFORT WITH THE PRIVATE AND COMMERCIAL SECTOR HERALDS A NEW ERA FOR THE CAMPAIGN WHICH, WE HOPE, WILL BECOME A COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT CAMPAIGN IN ITS REAL SENSE."

DR PANG ALSO SAID HE HOPED THAT THROUGH THE APPEAL DAY MORE PEOPLE WOULD BECOME AWARE OF THEIR SOCIAL OBLIGATIONS.

FOLLOWING THE CEREMONY, AN EXHIBITION OF LITTER BINS OF INTERESTING DESIGNS WAS OPENED TO THE PUBLIC.

URBAN COUNCILLOR AND MEMBER OF THE JOINT URBAN COUNCIL/REGIONAL COUNCIL KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN STEERING COMMITTEE, DR RONALD LEUNG, SAID: "CLEANING HONG KONG IS NOT NECESSARILY AN UNPLEASANT TASK ASSOCIATED ONLY WITH THE DISPOSAL OF HUGE AMOUNTS OF REFUSE." EVERY PIECE OF LITTER PUT IN THE BINS MEANT THAT PEOPLE WERE HELPING TO KEEP THEIR CITY CLEAN.

PARTICIPATING INTO TODAY'S APPEAL DAY ARE VARIOUS COMPANIES INCLUDING A.S. WATSON, CIRCLE K CONVENIENCE STORES, CITY CHAIN, ESTI TAHINA (INTERNATIONAL) BOUTIQUE, FAIRWOOD FAST FOOD, FONTANE STORE, MCDONALD'S RESTAURANTS, PARK'N SHOP, TELEVISION BROADCASTS LIMITED, TOM LEE MUSIC COMPANY, UNY DEPARTMENTAL STORE, WELLCOME, AND CHINESE ARTS AND CRAFTS (HONG KONG) LIMITED.

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THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, WILL SIGN THE NEW DEFENCE COSTS AGREEMENT DURING HIS FORTHCOMING VISIT TO BRITAIN.

THE NEW AGREEMENT, LIKE PREVIOUS ONES, WILL SET OUT IN DETAIL THE PROVISIONS OF THE HEADS OF AGREEMENT INITIALED BY THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY, MR PIERS JACOBS, IN LONDON ON JUNE 27.

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SSPA RESULTS TO BE RELEASED ON TUESDAY

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RESULTS OF THE SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES ALLOCATION (SSPA) WILL BE RELEASED ON TUESDAY (JULY 12), THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (SATURDAY).

A TOTAL OF 85,407 PRIMARY 6 PUPILS TOOK PART IN THE SSPA THIS YEAR AND ALL OF THEM HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED SECONDARY 1 PLACES IN GOVERNMENT, AIDED OR PRIVATE SECONDARY SCHOOLS, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID.

AMONG THE PRIMARY 6 LEAVERS, 41,140 (48.17 PER CENT) HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED PLACES OF THEIR FIRST CHOICE.

ANOTHER 17,643 HAVE BEEN GIVEN PLACES OF THEIR SECOND AND THIRD CHOICES, BRINGING THE COMBINED TOTAL OF STUDENTS ALLOCATED PLACES OF THEIR FIRST THREE CHOICES TO 58,783 (68.83 PER CENT).

"IN ADDITION, 2,708 PUPILS HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN OBTAINING DISCRETIONARY PLACES WHICH THEY APPLIED FOR EARLIER THIS YEAR," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

UNDER THE SSPA SCHEME, PARTICIPATING PUPILS WILL BE GIVEN THREE YEARS FREE EDUCATION UP TO SECONDARY 3 LEVEL AND NO TUITION FEES WILL BE CHARGED.

ALLOCATION RESULTS WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM PUPILS' PRIMARY SCHOOLS ON TUESDAY.

THE SPOKESMAN ADVISED PUPILS TO FOLLOW ARRANGEMENTS LAID DOWN BY THEIR RESPECTIVE PRIMARY SCHOOLS WHEN COLLECTING THEIR ADMISSION SLIP AND ALLOCATION SLIP (ADHERED TO THEIR PRIMARY 6 IDENTIFICATION FORM) FROM THEIR SCHOOLS.

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"THEY SHOULD REPORT TO THE SECONDARY SCHOOLS TO WHICH THEY HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED PLACES DURING THE REGISTRATION PERIOD BETWEEN JULY 18 (MONDAY) AND 19 (TUESDAY) AND THOSE WHO FAIL TO REPORT TO THE SECONDARY SCHOOLS ALLOCATED ARE DEEMED TO HAVE CHOSEN NOT TO TAKE UP THE PLACES ALLOCATED," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

WHEN REPORTING TO THE SECONDARY SCHOOLS FOR REGISTRATION, PUPILS ARE ADVISED TO PUT ON THEIR SCHOOL UNIFORM AND TO BRING THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS:

- (A) PRIMARY 6 IDENTIFICATION FORMS, TO WHICH THEIR INDIVIDUAL ALLOCATION SLIPS HAVE BEEN ADHERED;
- (B) ADMISSION SLIPS;
- (C) BIRTH CERTIFICATES, HONG KONG JUVENILE IDENTITY CARDS OR OTHER DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE OF THEIR DATE OF BIRTH AND STATUS AS PERMANENT RESIDENTS OF HONG KONG
(NOTE : PUPILS SHOULD ALSO BRING ALONG THEIR TRAVELLING DOCUMENTS IF THE SYMBOL 'C' (FOR CONDITIONAL STAY) IS FOUND AT LINE 7 OF THE NEW TYPE HONG KONG IDENTITY CARD);
- (D) LATEST SCHOOL REPORTS, IF ANY, AND
- (E) TWO RECENT PASSPORT-SIZE PHOTOGRAPHS.

"IN CASE BOTH THE PUPIL AND THE PARENT/GUARDIAN ARE AWAY FROM HONG KONG DURING THE REGISTRATION PERIOD, THEY SHOULD AUTHORISE IN WRITING REPRESENTATIVES TO COMPLY WITH THE REGISTRATION PROCEDURES ON THEIR BEHALF. COPIES OF LETTERS OF AUTHORIZATION ARE OBTAINABLE FROM THEIR PRIMARY SCHOOL HEADS," THE SPOKEMAN SAID.

IN CASE OF GENUINE DIFFICULTIES, THE PARENTS OR PUPILS CONCERNED SHOULD INFORM THE SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES ALLOCATION SECTION BEFORE THE END OF THE REGISTRATION PERIOD SO THAT ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENTS MAY BE MADE.

"AFTER THE REGISTRATION PERIOD, VACANCIES ARISING FROM NON-REPORTEES WILL BE FILLED AT THE DISCRETION OF INDIVIDUAL SCHOOLS," HE ADDED.

"PARENTS SEEKING TRANSFERS FOR THEIR CHILDREN HAVE TO APPLY DIRECT TO THE SCHOOLS CONCERNED WHICH HAS TOTAL DISCRETION TO ACCEPT AN APPLICANT OR NOT," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS HAVE TO RETRIEVE THE ADMISSION SLIPS FROM THE SECONDARY SCHOOLS WHICH THEY HAVE REGISTERED DURING THE REGISTRATION PERIOD AND HAND THEM TO THE SCHOOLS TO WHICH THEY SEEK TRANSFER.

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PARENTS AND PUPILS ARE REMINDED THAT BY RETRIEVING THEIR ADMISSION SLIPS, THEIR REGISTRATION WITH THE SCHOOLS WILL AT THE SAME TIME BE CANCELLED.

IN CASE OF CROSS-NET TRANSFER, THERE IS NO NEED FOR PARENTS TO SEEK APPROVAL FROM DISTRICT COUNCIL SECRETARY.

"SHOULD THERE BE A TROPICAL CYCLONE, PERSISTENT HEAVY RAIN OR THUNDERSTORM DURING THE REGISTRATOIN PERIODS, SCHOOL HEADS AND PARENTS ARE ADVISED TO PAY ATTENTION TO ANNOUNCEMENTS IN THE MEDIA FOR ANY NECESSARY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

ENQUIRIES CONCERNING THE ALLOCATION RESULTS SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES ALLOCATION SECTION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT ON TELEPHONE 5-8912200.

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STANDARD COST SYSTEM ADOPTED FOR C AND Y CENTRES

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THE ADOPTION OF THE STANDARD COST SYSTEM SINCE APRIL THIS YEAR FOR CALCULATING SUBVENTION FOR CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH CENTRES SHOULD HELP RAISE THE QUALITY OF THEIR SERVICE, THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MRS ELIZABETH WONG, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

SHE WAS OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING OF THE KORNHILL CHILDREN'S CENTRE OF THE BOYS' AND GIRLS' CLUBS ASSOCIATION OF HONG KONG.

"UNDER THE NEW SYSTEM, AN ADDITIONAL WELFARE WORKER POST IS CREATED FOR EVERY CHILDREN'S OR YOUTH CENTRE AND THERE IS AN ADDITIONAL SUPERVISOR POST AT SOCIAL WORK OFFICER GRADE FOR EVERY EIGHT CENTRES.

"SUBVENTION FOR PROGRAMME FEES AND ADMINISTRATION COSTS IS ALSO INCREASED SO THAT AIR-CONDITIONING CAN BE PROVIDED AT THE STUDY AND READING ROOMS OF THESE CENTRES," SHE SAID.

"WITH ALL THESE IMPROVEMENTS IN SUBVENTION FOR STAFFING AND ADMINISTRATION, THE QUALITY OF SERVICE OF THESE CENTRES WILL BE RAISED CORRESPONDINGLY," SHE ADDED.

MRS WONG NOTED THAT AT THESE CENTRES, YOUNG PEOPLE ARE HELPED TO DEVELOP THEIR SOCIAL SKILLS, POTENTIALS, PERSONAL INTEGRITY AND A SENSE OF SERVING THE COMMUNITY WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF PROFESSIONAL SOCIAL WORKERS AND THROUGH PARTICIPATION IN VARIOUS INDOOR AND OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMMES.

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"CHILDREN AND YOUTH CENTRES SERVE YOUNG PEOPLE FROM ALL SECTORS AND HELP THEM DEVELOP INTO THE BACKBONES OF THE COMMUNITY," SHE SAID.

SHE POINTED OUT THAT IT WAS NOT EASY TO FIND SUITABLE SITES FOR SOCIAL SERVICES IN THE DENSELY-POPULATED EASTERN DISTRICT.

"IN ORDER TO MEET THE TARGET OF PROVIDING ONE CHILDREN AND YOUTH CENTRE FOR EVERY 20,000 TO 30,000 POPULATION, THE GOVERNMENT HAS TURNED TO NEWLY-COMPLETED PRIVATE HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS FOR SPACE AND THREE SUCH CENTRES HAVE RECENTLY BEEN SET UP IN PRIVATE DEVELOPMENTS IN THE DISTRICT," MRS WONG SAID.

"AN ADDITIONAL FOUR MORE CENTRES IN BOTH PRIVATE AND PUBLIC DEVELOPMENTS ARE BEING PLANNED FOR THE DISTRICT AND WITH THEIR COMPLETION, SERVICES FOR THE YOUNG PEOPLE HERE WILL BE GREATLY IMPROVED," SHE SAID.

MRS WONG COMMENDED THE ASSOCIATION FOR PROVIDING A WIDE RANGE OF SERVICES, INCLUDING CHILDREN'S CENTRES, LIBRARIES, SCHOOL SOCIAL WORK, FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION, OUTREACHING SOCIAL WORK AND HOSTEL FACILITIES, SINCE ITS ESTABLISHMENT IN 1936.

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CANADIAN VISIT FOR POLICE YOUTH AMBASSADORS

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HONG KONG'S FIVE NEWLY-CHOSEN YOUTH AMBASSADORS ARE ALL SET TO FULFIL THEIR ROLE OVERSEAS WHEN THEY VISIT CANADA NEXT WEEK.

THE FIVE YOUNGSTERS, WINNERS OF THE 1988 HELP THE POLICE FIGHT YOUTH CRIME COMPETITION, WILL LEAVE NEXT WEDNESDAY ON AN 18-DAY GOODWILL TOUR, ACCOMPANIED BY TWO POLICE ESCORTS.

WHILE IN CANADA THEY WILL BE THE GUESTS OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE, AND THE CITY POLICE FORCES OF REGINA, CALGARY, VANCOUVER AND VICTORIA. THE ITINERARY COVERS SIGHTSEEING AND VISITS TO LOCAL POLICE FORMATIONS AND COMMUNITIES.

THE TRIP WILL BE AN EYE-OPENER FOR THE YOUNGSTERS AS THEY WILL SEE SOME OF THE MOST SPECTACULAR SCENERY IN THE WORLD, RANGING FROM THE FLAT PRAIRIES OF SASKATCHEWAN TO THE TOWERING ROCKY MOUNTAINS. ALSO, THEY WILL BE BUSY MEETING MANY PEOPLE FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE TO PROMOTE FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN HONG KONG AND THESE CITIES.

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TODAY, THE ACTING COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, MR LI KWAN-HA, SAID BON VOYAGE TO THE FIVE -- LAI PO-MAN (19), CHOI CHI-CHIU (18), CHAN CHO-SHEUNG (15), LAM MEI (16) AND LEUNG KA-WING (15), AT A FAREWELL LUNCH HOSTED IN THEIR HONOUR.

THE FIVE WINNERS KNOCKED OUT THOUSANDS OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE SLOGAN-CREATION, INTERVIEW AND TELEVISION QUIZ ROUNDS OF THE COMPETITION TO WIN THE TRIP TO CANADA, WHICH IS SPONSORED BY THE CATHAY PACIFIC AIRWAYS, AND OTHER ATTRACTIVE PRIZES.

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TAI PO DB TO DISCUSS BUS ROUTE PROGRAMME

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THE TAI PO DISTRICT BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE WILL DISCUSS THE DISTRICT'S BUS ROUTE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME FOR 1988/89 AT ITS MEETING ON MONDAY (JULY 11) MORNING.

ALSO TO BE CONSIDERED ARE PROPOSED TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS FOR TAI WO ESTATE, WHICH IS NEARING COMPLETION.

UNDER THE PROPOSAL, THERE WILL BE PUBLIC TRANSPORT INTERCHANGE, ROAD NETWORK, AND PROVISION OF KCR SERVICES AS WELL AS TWO TERMINATING AND SIX PASSING BUS ROUTES.

IN ADDITION, THE MEETING WILL DISCUSS CONTINGENCY PLANS TO DEAL WITH BREAKDOWNS OF KCR TRAINS AND LION ROCK TUNNEL SERVICES; ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN 1988/89; A TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT PROPOSAL TO REMOVE PHOTOGRAPHS FROM DRIVING LICENCES; PROPOSED BUS SHELTER CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMME 1988/89 AND THE MEETING SCHEDULE OF THE COMMITTEE THIS YEAR.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE TAI PO DISTRICT BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE MEETING TO BE HELD AT 9.30 AM ON MONDAY (JULY 11) AT THE DB CONFERENCE ROOM ON 3RD FLOOR, TAI PO COMMERCIAL CENTRE, 152-172 KWONG FUK ROAD, TAI PO.

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YOUTH URGED TO JOIN HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

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SHAM SHUI PO'S DISTRICT OFFICER, MR GREGORY LEUNG, TODAY (SATURDAY) CALLED ON YOUNG PEOPLE LIVING IN SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT TO PARTICIPATE IN SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME ACTIVITIES.

"BY PARTICIPATING IN THE ACTIVITIES, YOUNG PEOPLE WILL BE ABLE TO ENRICH THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF SOCIETY, DEVELOP THEIR POTENTIAL, AND, AT THE SAME TIME, SPEND AN ENJOYABLE AND MEANINGFUL SUMMER HOLIDAY," HE SAID.

MR LEUNG WAS SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE DISTRICT'S SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME HELD AT THE MAPLE STREET PLAYGROUND.

HE POINTED OUT THAT THIS YEAR OVER 40 ORGANISATIONS IN THE DISTRICT WOULD PROVIDE MORE THAN 300 SUMMER YOUTH ACTIVITIES, THE CONTENTS OF WHICH WERE RICHER THAN THOSE IN PREVIOUS YEARS.

"THE VARIOUS ORGANISATIONS IN SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT HAVE SPARED NO EFFORTS IN ORGANISING A VARIETY OF HEALTHY ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

"THE SUCCESS OF THE SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME OWES MUCH TO THE ACTIVE PROMOTION AND SUPPORT GIVEN BY THE VARIOUS VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS, LOCAL BODIES AND THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT BOARD," HE SAID.

ALSO OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING WERE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT BOARD, MR TAI TUNG-NGOK; AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE, MR CHOY WAI-SHEK.

THE OPENING WAS FOLLOWED BY A VARIETY SHOW AND PERFORMANCES STAGED BY LOCAL ORGANISATIONS.

THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB HAS SUBSIDISED THE DISTRICT'S SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME BY PROVIDING \$340,000 IN FUNDING.

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SAI KUNG SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME BEGINS

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SAI KUNG RESIDENTS AND YOUTHS ENJOYED AN AFTERNOON OF FUN AND ENTERTAINMENT TODAY (SATURDAY) WHEN THE DISTRICT'S 1988 SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME COMBINED OPENING CEREMONY AND FLOAT PARADE WAS HELD AT THE TANG SHIU KIN SPORTS GROUND CARPARK.

THE OPENING DAY'S PROGRAMME INCLUDED SINGING, MAGIC SHOW, PUPPET SHOW, CYCLING DEMONSTRATION, MURAL PAINTING AND VARIOUS GAMES.

FOUR DECORATED VEHICLES TOURED THE DISTRICT AND STOPPED AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN SAI KUNG TOWN, JUNK BAY NEW TOWN, AND HANG HAU TOWN. THEY ALSO STOPPED AT THE SAI KUNG CENTRAL PRIMARY SCHOOL IN HO CHUNG.

THE THEME OF THIS YEAR'S SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME IS "SHARE THE FUN, SERVE THE COMMUNITY" AND MORE THAN 70 EVENTS WILL BE HELD UNTIL THE END OF AUGUST.

THESE EVENTS INCLUDE VISITS, EXHIBITIONS, QUIZ CONTESTS, CAMPING, CARNIVALS, PICNICS, BALL GAMES, WATER SPORTS, TRAINING COURSES AND VARIOUS COMPETITIONS.

A SAI KUNG DISTRICT OFFICE SPOKESMAN SAID THE ACTIVITIES ARE DESIGNED TO ENABLE YOUNGSTERS TO HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE DISTRICT, TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE FUNCTIONS OF VARIOUS ORGANISATIONS AND TO DEVELOP A SENSE OF BELONGING TO THEIR COMMUNITY.

IN ORDER TO ATTRACT MORE RESIDENTS WHO HAVE RECENTLY MOVED INTO JUNK BAY NEW TOWN, ACTIVITIES SUCH AS CARNIVALS AND EXHIBITIONS ON JUNK BAY WILL BE HELD SO THAT THESE PEOPLE CAN LEARN MORE ABOUT THE VARIOUS ASPECTS AND THE FACILITIES OF THE AREA.

ALL THE ACTIVITIES ARE ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT'S SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE WITH ASSISTANCE FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICE, THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT (SAI KUNG OFFICE) AND LOCAL ORGANISATIONS.

ABOUT \$132,000 HAS BEEN EARMARKED FOR THIS YEAR'S PROGRAMMES. APART FROM \$96,400 ALLOCATED FROM JOCKEY CLUB FUNDS, ABOUT \$36,000 WAS SPONSORED BY THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT BOARD, AND LOCAL ORGANISATIONS ALSO DONATED FUNDS.

COPIES OF THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME BOOKLET, GIVING DETAILED INFORMATION ON ALL EVENTS, ARE AVAILABLE AT THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT OFFICE, SAI KUNG GOVERNMENT OFFICES, CHAN MAN STREET, SAI KUNG TOWN.

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CHANCE FOR YOUTH TO EXPERIENCE COMMUNITY BUILDING

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THE TAI PO DISTRICT OFFICER, MR JOHN BURRETT, TODAY (SATURDAY) CALLED ON YOUNG PEOPLE TO TAKE PART IN HEALTHY RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES AND VOLUNTARY SERVICES IN ORDER TO EXPERIENCE FOR THEMSELVES WHAT IS INVOLVED IN COMMUNITY BUILDING.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE TAI PO DISTRICT SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME HELD IN THE TAI PO PLAYGROUND THIS EVENING, MR BURRETT SAID YOUTH PROBLEMS HAD ATTRACTED MUCH PUBLIC ATTENTION GIVEN THE CONTINUING RISE IN THE NUMBER OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE POPULATION IN RECENT YEARS.

"IT IS IMPORTANT THAT OUR YOUNG GENERATION DEVELOP IN A HEALTHY WAY. SHOULD THEY GO ASTRAY, THE CONSEQUENCES WILL BE DISASTROUS," HE SAID.

THE DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN AND TAI PO DISTRICT SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME CHAIRMAN, MR HO YUNG-SANG, NOTED THAT THIS YEAR'S PROGRAMME COMPRISED MORE THAN 300 ACTIVITIES WITH A BUDGET OF \$250,000.

"OF THIS SUM, \$169,800 WAS SPONSORED BY THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB, \$35,000 BY THE DISTRICT BOARD AND SOME \$40,000 BY LOCAL ORGANISATIONS AND LOCAL PERSONALITIES," MR HO SAID.

THE THEME FOR THIS YEAR'S PROGRAMME IS "SHARE THE FUN, JOIN THE COMMUNITY" AND ACTIVITIES WILL BE HELD FROM TODAY UNTIL AUGUST 28.

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WAN CHAI SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME TO BE LAUNCHED

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A FUN FAIR WILL BE HELD IN SOUTHORN PLAYGROUND TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AFTERNOON TO MARK THE OPENING OF THIS YEAR'S SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME IN WAN CHAI.

YOUNGSTERS IN THE DISTRICT ARE WELCOME TO TAKE PART IN THE STALL GAMES AND ENJOY THE SONGS, DANCES, DEMONSTRATIONS OF KARATE AND CANTONESE OPERA PERFORMED BY CHILDREN AT THE FUN FAIR.

MORE THAN 180 ACTIVITIES WILL BE ORGANISED UNDER THE PROGRAMME THIS YEAR. THESE ACTIVITIES RANGE FROM CAMPING, LAUNCH TRIPS, HALL GAMES, VISITS TO SEMINARS AND WILL FEATURE THE THEME OF "SHARE THE FUN, SERVE THE COMMUNITY".

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OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME WILL BE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR ALLAN CHOW; CHAIRMAN OF THE CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE, MR WARREN CHOW, AND THE HONORARY PATRON OF THE PROGRAMME, MR CHOW HUNG-PIU.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING OF THE WAN CHAI SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME TO BE HELD TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AT 2.30 PM IN SOUTHRN PLAYGROUND, WAN CHAI.

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NEW CSD RECRUITMENT CENTRE IN TSUEN WAN

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THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT HAS SET UP A NEW TEMPORARY RECRUITMENT CENTRE AT PRINCESS ALEXANDRA COMMUNITY CENTRE IN TSUEN WAN.

A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID: "THE NEW CENTRE FORMS PART OF THE DEPARTMENT'S MAJOR RECRUITMENT EXERCISE BEING LAUNCHED NOW TO RECRUIT ENERGETIC YOUNG PEOPLE TO JOIN AS OFFICERS AND ASSISTANT OFFICERS."

"APPLICANTS RESIDING IN THE WESTERN PART OF THE NEW TERRITORIES CAN NOW MAKE USE OF THE NEW CENTRE WITHOUT TRAVELLING A LONG DISTANCE TO OUR CENTRAL RECRUITMENT CENTRE AT WAN CHAI," HE ADDED.

THE NEW CENTRE HAS TWO EXHIBITION PANELS EXPLAINING WORK OF THE DEPARTMENT AND IS MANNED BY CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS WHO ASSIST APPLICATION AND ANSWER ENQUIRIES.

PEOPLE LIVING ON HONG KONG ISLAND AND IN KOWLOON CAN APPLY AT THE CENTRAL RECRUITMENT CENTRE AT THE DEPARTMENT'S HEADQUARTERS AT 23/F, WANCHAI TOWER I, 12 HARBOUR ROAD, WAN CHAI. ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON 5-275951.

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THUNDERSTORMS, BUT JUNE RAINFALL BELOW NORMAL

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HEAVY SHOWERS AND THUNDERSTORMS THAT AFFECTED HONG KONG FROM JUNE 23 TO 27 BROUGHT 237.6 MILLIMETRES OF RAINFALL, BUT RAINFALL FOR THE MONTH WAS STILL 31 PER CENT BELOW THE NORMAL AMOUNT OF 431.8 MILLIMETRES.

THE TOTAL RAINFALL AMOUNTED TO ONLY 296.9 MILLIMETRES, THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY SAID IN ITS REPORT FOR THE MONTH RELEASED TODAY (SATURDAY).

FOR THE FIRST HALF OF 1988, A TOTAL OF ONLY 548.0 MILLIMETRES OF RAIN WAS RECORDED. THIS IS THE FOURTH LOWEST ON RECORD FOR THE PERIOD.

JUNE WAS ALSO DRIER AND WARMER THAN NORMAL. THE MEAN RELATIVE HUMIDITY OF 78 PER CENT, WAS THE LOWEST ON RECORD FOR JUNE AND EQUALLED THE FIGURE RECORDED IN JUNE 1967. THE MEAN TEMPERATURE OF 28.6 DEGREES CELSIUS WAS THE FOURTH HIGHEST ONRECORD FOR JUNE.

UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF THE CIRCULATION OF SEVERE TROPICAL STORM SUSAN, THE WEATHER WAS GENERALLY CLOUDY ON JUNE 1. HOWEVER, SUSAN MOVED FARTHER AWAY FROM HONG KONG IN THE EVENING AND A RIDGE OF HIGH PRESSURE OVER THE WESTERN NORTH PACIFIC BEGAN TO EXTEND WESTWARDS TO COVER SOUTH CHINA.

FOR THE NEXT NINE DAYS, THE WEATHER IN HONG KONG WAS MAINLY FINE APART FROM A FEW BRIEF SHOWERS ON JUNE 7, 8 AND 10.

AS A TROUGH OF LOW PRESSURE OVER CENTRAL CHINA MOVED SOUTHWARDS ON JUNE 11, SOUTHWESTERLY WINDS OVER THE SOUTH CHINA COASTAL AREAS STRENGTHENED AND MORNING SHOWERS OCCURRED OVER THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

THE WARMER SOUTHWESTERLIES CAUSED THE TEMPERATURE TO RISE TO A MAXIMUM OF 33 DEGREES ON JUNE 13 WHICH WAS THE HIGHEST RECORDED TO THAT DATE.

AS THE TROUGH WEAKENED AND RETREATED NORTHWARDS ON JUNE 15, THE SOUTHWEST MONSOON WEAKENED AND SHOWERY ACTIVITY ALSO DECREASED.

MEANWHILE, AN AREA OF LOW PRESSURE DEVELOPED OVER THE CENTRAL PART OF THE SOUTH CHINA SEA. AS IT MOVED NORTH-NORTHWESTWARDS TOWARD HAINAN ISLAND, WINDS IN HONG KONG TURNED EASTERLY ON JUNE 16 AND THEN SOUTHEASTERLY THE NEXT DAY. SHOWERS ALSO OCCURRED FOR MOST OF THE DAY ON JUNE 17.

THIS AREA OF LOW PRESSURE LANDED ON THE NORTHERN SHORES OF BEIBU WAN ON JUNE 18, AND THE WEATHER IN HONG KONG FOR THE NEXT FOUR DAYS WAS GENERALLY FINE APART FROM ISOLATED SHOWERS.

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AN ACTIVE TROUGH OF LOW PRESSURE OVER CENTRAL CHINA MOVED SOUTHWARDS AND REACHED THE SOUTH CHINA COASTAL AREA ON JUNE 23. THUNDERSTORMS AND HEAVY SQUALLY SHOWERS OCCURRED ON JUNE 23 AND 24. THREE MINOR FLOODS OCCURRED IN THE NEW TERRITORIES ON THE SAME DAY.

ON JUNE 24, 25 RESIDENTS IN SHAU KEI WAN HAD TO BE EVACUATED FROM THEIR HUTS DUE TO SUBSIDENCE OF THE GROUND. A SIX-METRE TREE IN WAN CHAI ALSO COLLAPSED IN HEAVY RAIN.

THE TROUGH PASSED TO THE SOUTH OF HONG KONG ON JUNE 25, BUT MOVED NORTH THE NEXT DAY AND BROUGHT THUNDERSTORMS AND HEAVY SHOWERS TO HONG KONG. A TREE FELL ON REPULSE BAY ROAD, OBSTRUCTING TRAFFIC.

WEATHER IMPROVED IN THE EVENING OF JUNE 27 AS THE SUBTROPICAL RIDGE EXTENDED WESTWARDS TOWARDS SOUTHEAST CHINA. IT WAS SUNNY ON JUNE 28.

TROPICAL STORM VANESSA CROSSED THE PHILIPPINES AND ENTERED THE SOUTH CHINA SEA ON JUNE 28. IT MOVED RAPIDLY NORTHWESTWARDS AT A SPEED OF 40 KILOMETRES PER HOUR. THE STAND BY SIGNAL NO. 1 WAS HOISTED AT 11.20 PM WHEN VANESSA WAS ABOUT 660 KILOMETRES SOUTH-SOUTHEAST OF HONG KONG.

WINDS BECAME FRESH AND GUSTY IN THE MORNING OF JUNE 29 AND THERE WERE ALSO SOME SCATTERED SHOWERS. OCCASIONAL STRONG WINDS WERE REPORTED OFFSHORE.

VANESSA MADE LANDFALL OVER WESTERN GUANGDONG NEAR SHANGCHUAN DAO ABOUT 150 KILOMETRES WEST-SOUTHWEST OF HONG KONG IN THE AFTERNOON OF JUNE 29. THE STAND BY SIGNAL NO. 1 WAS LOWERED AT 4.50 PM. LOCAL WINDS TURNED TO SOUTHERLY AND THE WEATHER REMAINED CLOUDY WITH SHOWERS.

ANTECEDENT RAIN AND HEAVY SHOWERS ON JUNE 30 CAUSED A MINOR LANDSLIP IN KWAI CHUNG WHERE 27 RESIDENTS HAD TO BE EVACUATED.

A TOTAL OF FOUR TROPICAL CYCLONES OCCURRED OVER THE SOUTH CHINA SEA AND THE WESTERN NORTH PACIFIC DURING THE MONTH.

DURING THE MONTH, FIVE AIRCRAFT WERE DIVERTED FROM HONG KONG DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER. THUNDERSTORM WARNINGS WERE ISSUED ON JUNE 21, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, AND 30. FLOOD WARNINGS WERE ISSUED ON JUNE 23, 24 AND 26.

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SIGNALS HOISTED DURING THE MONTH WERE AS FOLLOWS:

WEATHER SYSTEM -----	SIGNAL -----	DATE AND TIME OF HOISTING -----	DATE AND TIME OF LOWERING -----
TYPHOON SUSAN	1	MAY 31 4.30 PM	JUNE 1 9 PM
TROPICAL STORM VANESSA	1	JUNE 28 11.20 PM	JUNE 29 4.50 PM

THE MONTH'S FIGURES AND DEPARTURES FROM NORMAL WERE:

TOTAL BRIGHT SUNSHINE	209,7 HOURS ;	50.5 HOURS ABOVE NORMAL
MEAN DAILY GLOBAL SOLAR RADIATION	17.00 MJ/ SQ.METRE	0.31 MJ/SQ.METRE ABOVE NORMAL
TOTAL RAINFALL	296.9MM ;	134.9 MM BELOW NORMAL
MEAN AMOUNT OF CLOUD	64 PER CENT ;	11 PER CENT BELOW NORMAL
MEAN RELATIVE HUMIDITY	78 PER CENT ;	6 PER CENT BELOW NORMAL
MEAN DAILY MAXIMUM AIR TEMPERATURE	31.3 DEGREES ; CELSIUS	0.9 DEGREES CELSIUS ABOVE NORMAL
MEAN AIR TEMPERATURE	28.6 DEGREES ; CELSIUS	0.9 DEGREES CELSIUS ABOVE NORMAL
MEAN DAILY MINIMUM AIR TEMPERATURE	26.7 DEGREES ; CELSIUS	1.1 DEGREES CELSIUS ABOVE NORMAL
MEAN DEW POINT	24.4 DEGREES ; CELSIUS	0.1 DEGREES CELSIUS BELOW NORMAL
TOTAL EVAPORATION	140.9MM ;	6.8 MM BELOW NORMAL

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SOUTHERN DISTRICT CHILDREN'S CHOIR SEEKS NEW MEMBERS

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YOUNG CHORAL SINGING ENTHUSIASTS AGED BETWEEN SIX AND 14 WHO LIVE OR STUDY IN SOUTHERN DISTRICT ARE WELCOME TO JOIN THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT CHILDREN'S CHOIR.

FORMED IN 1978, THE CHOIR IS MANAGED BY THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT ARTS AND CULTURE ASSOCIATION (SDACA) AND SPONSORED BY THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD.

ITS AIM IS TO ENHANCE INTEREST IN MUSIC AND TO RAISE THE STANDARD IN CHORAL SINGING.

THE CHOIR HOLDS WEEKLY PRACTICE SESSIONS ON SATURDAYS FROM 2.30 PM TO 4 PM AT THE ABERDEEN URBAN COUNCIL COMPLEX. CHOIR MEMBERS WILL BE ABLE TO ACQUIRE MUSIC KNOWLEDGE AND LEARN THE SKILLS OF CHORAL SINGING.

THE CHILDREN'S CHOIR ALSO STAGES ITS OWN CONCERTS AND PERFORMS AT VARIOUS DISTRICT FUNCTIONS.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICE AT ABERDEEN CENTRE AND ITS BRANCH OFFICES IN LEI TUNG ESTATE, WAH FU ESTATE AND STANLEY VILLAGE ROAD AS WELL AS SDACA'S OFFICE ON THE GROUND FLOOR, LEI CHAK HOUSE, AP LEI CHAU ESTATE.

ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON 5-540271 AND 5-550187.

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TUEN MUN PIER HEAD TRANSPORT INTERCHANGE OPENING

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THE TUEN MUN PIER HEAD TRANSPORT INTERCHANGE IN TUEN MUN AREA 44 WILL BE OPENED FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (JULY 11), THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED.

FACILITIES PROVIDED BY THE TRANSPORT INTERCHANGE INCLUDE BUS TERMINUS, TAXI STANDS, GREEN MINIBUS STAND AND GENERAL PICKING UP AND SETTING DOWN POINT FOR PRIVATE CARS AND COACHES.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE EXISTING TAXI STANDS, GREEN MINIBUS STAND AND THE PICKING UP AND SETTING DOWN POINT FOR PRIVATE CARS AND COACHES IN THE VICINITY WILL BE CLOSED AND RELOCATED TO THE INTERCHANGE.

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THE EXISTING BUTTERFLY ESTATE BUS TERMINUS NEARBY WILL ALSO BE CLOSED AND RELOCATED TO THE NEW BUS TERMINUS IN THE INTERCHANGE FROM JULY 16 (SATURDAY).

TO COINCIDE WITH THE OPENING, A NUMBER OF TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN IMPLEMENTED SINCE JULY 8 AT THE INTERCHANGE AND ON ROADS NEARBY.

UNDER THE ARRANGEMENTS, NO VEHICLES OTHER THAN FRANCHISED BUSES ARE ALLOWED TO ENTER THE BUS TERMINUS AT ANY TIME OF THE DAY.

IN ADDITION, THE FOLLOWING ROAD SECTIONS NEARBY HAVE BEEN MADE 24-HOUR URBAN CLEARWAYS:

- * THE APPROACH ROAD LEADING FROM ROAD 44K TO THE TRANSPORT INTERCHANGE.
- * THE NORTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF THE EXIT ROAD IN THE TRANSPORT INTERCHANGE FROM THE EASTERN-MOST TAXI BAY TO THE WESTERN-MOST BUS BAY.
- * THE EXIT ROAD LEADING FROM THE TRANSPORT INTERCHANGE TO ROAD 44K.

ALL VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE BANNED FROM STOPPING WITHIN THE URBAN CLEARWAYS FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS.

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PARTIAL CLOSURE OF LION ROCK TUNNEL ROAD

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT TEMPORARY LANE CLOSURES WILL BE IMPLEMENTED ON LION ROCK TUNNEL ROAD IN SHA TIN BETWEEN JULY 11 (MONDAY) AND 16 TO FACILITATE THE REPAIR OF WATER MAINS BY THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT.

MOTORISTS ARE ADVISED TO WATCH OUT FOR TEMPORARY TRAFFIC SIGNS AND DRIVE WITH EXTRA CARE AND PATIENCE.

UNDER THE ARRANGEMENTS, A 200-METRE LONG SLOW LANE OF LION ROCK TUNNEL ROAD NORTHBOUND NEAR HUNG MUI KUK INTERCHANGE WILL BE CLOSED FROM 10 PM ON JULY 11 TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY.

FROM 10 PM ON JULY 13 (WEDNESDAY) TO 6 AM THE NEXT MORNING, A 120-METRE LONG SLOW LANE OF LION ROCK TUNNEL ROAD NORTHBOUND SOUTH OF KAK TIN WILL ALSO BE CLOSED.

THE NORTHBOUND SLOW LANE OF LION ROCK TUNNEL ROAD NEAR KAK TIN, WITH A LENGTH OF ABOUT 120 METRES, WILL ALSO BE CLOSED BETWEEN MIDNIGHT ON JULY 15 (FRIDAY) AND 6 AM THE NEXT DAY.

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MAINS BURST CAUSES TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT OWING TO A WATER MAINS BURST, THE SECTION OF PO ON ROAD EASTBOUND BETWEEN FAT TSEUNG STREET AND TONKIN STREET, SHAM SHUI PO, HAS BEEN CLOSED TO TRAFFIC.

THE CLOSURE WILL BE IN FORCE UNTIL NEXT FRIDAY (JULY 15). VEHICLES ON PO ON ROAD EASTBOUND, INCLUDING GREEN MINIBUS ROUTE NO. 42 PLYING BETWEEN CHEUNG SHA WAN AND CHAK ON ESTATE, HAVE BEEN DIVERTED VIA FAT TSEUNG STREET, KWONG LEE ROAD AND TONKIN STREET.

MEANWHILE, FUNG SHING STREET NEAR CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD IN WONG TAI SIN, WHICH WAS CLOSED FOR EMERGENCY ROAD REPAIRS, HAS BEEN REOPENED TO TRAFFIC.

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WATER CUT IN KOWLOON CITY

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO SOME PREMISES IN KOWLOON CITY WILL BE TURNED OFF BETWEEN 10 PM ON TUESDAY (JULY 12) AND 6 AM THE NEXT MORNING FOR WATER WORKS.

THE AFFECTED AREA IS BOUNDED BY CARPENTER ROAD, SA PO ROAD, PRINCE EDWARD ROAD AND JUNCTION ROAD.

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