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MULTI-STOREY CAR PARK FOR AIRPORT

Improvements To Other Facilities Planned

A new multi-storey car park capable of accommodating 1,600 cars will play an important role in the current expansion and future development of Hong Kong International Airport.

The increasing air traffic has led to a bigger demand for parking facilities at the airport.

"This is specially so with the opening of the cross-harbour tunnel and the increased number of chartered flights to the United Kingdom," a spokesman for the Civil Aviation Department said.

"More people are bringing their cars to the airport to see their friends off or to meet them," he added.

The existing open-air park in front of the airport terminal building provides space for only about 350 cars while the new one can accommodate more than four times that number.

Phase 2 of the Kai Tak Terminal Building Modifications Stage IV project provides for the construction of a "vehicular deck" at the first floor level above the existing car park. This deck will then be surmounted by the whole multi-storey car park.

The construction of the new car park will be divided into two stages. The first half, providing 800 parking spaces, is to be completed during Phase 2 while the other half will be constructed during Phase 3.

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Besides the work for the multi-storey complex, the Phase 2 work will also involve the planning of vehicular ramps to and from Prince Edward Road. Construction of these ramps will considerably improve the access to the terminal building from the external road system.

This phase of the project, costing about \$45 million, will also see a re-arrangement and improvement of the facilities for arriving passengers and people meeting passengers.

This will include the expansion of the present arrival hall by absorbing the section of road space outside the hall.

Phase Two

The building work of Phase 2 is to start in the middle of this year, and is scheduled for completion in 1975 when Phase 1 and 2 of Stage IV modifications should be completed.

A specialised study of the baggage handling system for arriving and departing baggage is currently being undertaken by a consultant firm, for inclusion in Phase 3 of the Stage IV modifications to the airport.

The consultants, now examining the type of system best suited for the airport, are expected to have finalised their report by March.

The overall Stage IV project, including Phase 3, will increase the airport terminal building's passenger handling capability to just short of 4,000 passengers an hour.

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HONG KONG TO ATTEND INDUSTRIAL MEETING

Mr. R. Porter, Assistant Director of Commerce and Industry, will represent Hong Kong at the eighth session of the Asian Industrial Development Council (A.I.D.C.).

The meeting is to be held under the auspices of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East (E.C.A.F.E.).

Mr. Porter will be accompanied by Mr. W.Y.H. Kwok, Trade Officer of the Commerce and Industry Department.

The meeting will be held in Bangkok from February 1 to 7.

It will consider reports prepared by various fact-finding missions on possible areas of co-ordination among E.C.A.F.E. countries in some of the key industries of the region.

The Council will also consider a report on investment promotion and the transfer of technology to developing E.C.A.F.E. countries.

Other subjects concerning industrial standards and industrial research will also be discussed.

Mr. Porter and Mr. Kwok will leave for Bangkok on Wednesday (January 31) by flight CX 701, E.T.D. 1605 hours.

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WARM CLOTHES FOR POOR

Cotton quilts and warm clothing will be distributed to the poor and needy in Sai Kung tomorrow (Tuesday) as a good-will gesture over the Lunar New Year.

The Chiu Chow Merchants Mutual Assistance Society has donated 300 cotton pullovers for this purpose, and the quilts have been contributed by an anonymous donor.

Distributions will be held at the Sai Kung Rural Committee in the morning, and at the Hang Hau Rural Committee in the afternoon.

Note to Editors: You are cordially invited to send a reporter and/or photographer to have the distributions covered. Transportation will be provided. A van will leave the King Fuk Street entrance of the San Po Kong Government Offices at 9 a.m.

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DUTY FREE BRANDY FROM MACAU

Passengers arriving from Macau may bring into Hong Kong free of duty one bottle of Portuguese brandy containing not more than one litre on February 4 and 5, the two days after Lunar New Year Day.

Announcing this today, the Director of Commerce and Industry said that this was in lieu of the customary one quart bottle of grape wine at present allowed.

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GOVERNOR TOURS CENTRAL AND WAN CHAI
To See Progress In Cleaning Up Hong Kong

The Governor, Sir Murray MacLehose spent this (Monday) afternoon touring the back streets in Central and Wan Chai districts to see for himself some of the progress made in cleaning up Hong Kong.

He was accompanied throughout his visit by the Secretary for Home Affairs, Mr. D.C.C. Luddington, and the City District Commissioner (Hong Kong), Mr. David T.K. Wong.

The Governor first arrived at the junction of Old Bailey Street and Staunton Street.

The party then proceeded to George's Lane where they saw a piece of Crown land which had been for years a notorious dumping site. However, the site was cleared and fenced off last December during the Clean Hong Kong campaign.

On his way to George's Lane, the Governor stopped and chatted with a woman passer-by and asked her whether the place looked much better than before. She agreed.

The Governor later walked to Kwong Hon Terrace. There he saw 14 tenement buildings that lie within the Urban Renewal Scheme area.

At Wa In Fong, he saw a cleansing exercise being carried out by some 40 volunteers and members of the Central (South-West) Clean Hong Kong Area Committee under the supervision of the Committee Chairman, Mr. Tang Siu-kei.

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They whitewashed some huts which had been there for over 20 years and were in a dilapidated state.

Sir Murray also saw a private site at the junction of Wa In Fong East and Shing Wong Street. The site had been vacant and used for dumping for a number of years.

The Governor then inspected some back-lane squatter huts in Wing Lee Street. These huts had been given a new look by a team of volunteers, who repainted them as a Clean Hong Kong exercise.

From there, Sir Murray drove to Star Street in Wan Chai. On arrival, he was greeted by the Chairman of Wanchai West Clean Hong Kong Area Committee, Mr. Lee Wan-yuen.

The party inspected refuse and junk collection points in the area.

The Governor saw about 30 student volunteer workers re-paint a public latrine in Schooner Street.

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GOVERNMENT ACT TO IMPROVE TRAINING

In The Printing Industry

The Government will soon set up a temporary workshop in Caine Lane to provide complementary technical education for printing apprentices.

Disclosing this today, Mr. Alex S.C. Wu, Chairman of the Printing Industrial Committee of the Industrial Training Advisory Committee, said that this was an interim measure pending the establishment of a printing department in 1975 in the Kwun Tong Technical Institute.

"The industry will need about 1,200 new craftsmen annually to sustain expansion and cover wastage," he said.

This, he added, was brought out in a manpower survey conducted by the Printing Industrial Committee way back in 1969.

"The need is not only to train the numbers required but also to train to a higher standard than ever before," said Mr. Wu.

"We will only be able to take full advantage of sophisticated printing machinery, to increase productivity, to raise our standard of printing and to maintain our ability to compete when we have craftsmen trained to western standards."

Mr. Wu said that proper training facilities in the printing industry were almost non-existent.

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It was to remedy this dangerous situation that the Industrial Committee recommended to the printing industry to start training apprentices along the lines of a scheme proposed by the Senior Training Officer (Apprenticeship) of the Labour Department.

The Government was urged to provide the necessary complementary technical education for apprentices.

"All employers in the printing industry have a responsibility to train to meet the needs of the industry", he stressed.

The proposed apprenticeship scheme has the backing of the Printing Industrial Committee and the Hong Kong Printers' Association, and, in a broader context, the support of the Chinese Manufacturers' Association, the Federation of Hong Kong Industries and the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Wu added that as a result of a meeting between employers of printing firms and the Senior Training Officer (Apprenticeship) held last July, a number of firms had either started training or re-organised their training along the lines of the proposed scheme.

As part of his committee's efforts to get proper training started on an industry-wide basis, letters have been sent to these and other employers inviting them to similar meetings on either February 28 or March 14 to discuss the details of the proposed apprenticeship scheme. The meetings will also discuss the various means to resolve the difficulties which employers may encounter in implementing it.

Any interested firm which has not received a letter should contact the Industrial Training Unit of the Labour Department at Telephone Number 5-249081 Ext. 85 for details of the two meetings.

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