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WATER RATES TO RISE FROM APRIL 1  
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WATER RATES ARE TO BE INCREASED FROM APRIL 1 TO REFLECT MORE REALISTICALLY OPERATING COSTS AND INFLATION FOR VARIOUS ITEMS OF EXPENDITURE, A WATER AUTHORITY SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (TUESDAY).

THE INCREASES WERE APPROVED FOLLOWING AN ANNUAL REVIEW BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL THIS MORNING.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID UNDER THE NEW RATE, SOME 232,000 (OR 16 PER CENT) OF THE 1.45 MILLION DOMESTIC CONSUMERS WOULD CONTINUE TO ENJOY A FREE SUPPLY OF WATER.

ABOUT 753,000 CONSUMERS (OR 52 PER CENT) WOULD PAY AN EXTRA SUM OF LESS THAN \$10 PER MONTH MORE FOR THEIR WATER BILLS. THIS INCLUDED ABOUT 11,000 CONSUMERS WHO PREVIOUSLY PAID NOTHING FOR WATER AND WOULD NOW HAVE TO PAY ABOUT \$0.75 PER MONTH.

ANOTHER 464,000 CONSUMERS (OR 32 PER CENT) WOULD PAY OVER \$10.60 EXTRA PER MONTH FOR THEIR BILLS.

ONLY 72,000 CONSUMERS (OR FIVE PER CENT) WOULD HAVE TO PAY MORE THAN \$20 EXTRA PER MONTH FOR THEIR BILLS.

AS FOR NON-DOMESTIC SUPPLY, A FLAT RATE OF 12.5 PER CENT INCREASE WOULD BE IMPOSED. SOME 147,000 (OR 91 PER CENT) OF THE 161,000 USERS WOULD PAY LESS THAN \$50 EXTRA PER MONTH, WITH ABOUT HALF OF THEM HAVING TO PAY LESS THAN \$7 EXTRA PER MONTH.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID IN TERMS OF DOLLARS AND CENTS, THE INCREASES WERE STILL SMALL BECAUSE OF THE LOW BASIC RATE.

SALT WATER FOR FLUSHING WOULD REMAIN FREE.

"THE INCREASES WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON BUSINESS OPERATIONS AS WATER CHARGES REPRESENT A SMALL PART OF THE OPERATING COSTS FOR MOST FIRMS," HE SAID.

THE GOVERNMENT HAS UNDERTAKEN ANNUAL REVIEWS OF WATER CHARGES SINCE 1982 AND THIS HAS RESULTED IN MODERATE ANNUAL INCREASES TO AVOID MAJOR INCREASES IN CHARGES AT ONE TIME.

THE SPOKESMAN ALSO SAID THAT THE FEE FOR PROVIDING AND INSTALLING A METER WOULD ALSO BE INCREASED FROM \$100 TO \$130 TO REFLECT THE RISE IN MATERIAL AND LABOUR COSTS.

THE TARIFF STRUCTURE FOR DOMESTIC SUPPLY WHICH WAS FIRST REVISED LAST YEAR HAS NOW BEEN FURTHER REVISED AS FOLLOWS:

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TIER	UNITS
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	1989/90
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1ST TIER (FREE)	17
2ND TIER	17
3RD TIER	26
4TH TIER	26
5TH TIER	OVER 86

NEW

TIER	UNITS
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	1990/91
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1ST TIER (FREE)	16
2ND TIER	41
3RD TIER	25
4TH TIER	OVER 82

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ESTABLISHMENT OF A GOVERNMENT PROPERTY AGENCY  
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SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE 1990-91 DRAFT ESTIMATES BY THE LEGISLATURE, A GOVERNMENT PROPERTY AGENCY WILL BE SET UP ON APRIL 1 THIS YEAR TO ADMINISTER ALL GOVERNMENT PROPERTY MATTERS.

THE AGENCY'S ROLE WILL BE TO ADMINISTER ALL GOVERNMENT OWNED AND LEASED OFFICES, QUARTERS AND SPECIALIST ACCOMMODATION, AND TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A COMPREHENSIVE PROPERTY PLAN FOR THE COST-EFFECTIVE USE OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY.

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THE AGENCY WILL BE FORMED BY THE TRANSFER OF STAFF FROM THE PROPERTY DIVISION OF FINANCE BRANCH, THE LEASING DIVISION OF THE RATING AND VALUATION DEPARTMENT AND THE PROPERTY MANAGEMENT SECTION OF THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT.

IT WILL HAVE AN ESTABLISHMENT OF 115 STAFF, INCLUDING ARCHITECTS, VALUATION SURVEYORS, ESTATE SURVEYORS, AND OTHER GENERAL GRADES STAFF.

MR PHILIP MACKLEY, WHO WILL HEAD THE AGENCY AS THE GOVERNMENT PROPERTY ADMINISTRATOR, SAID TODAY (TUESDAY) THAT WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY, THE GOVERNMENT WAS BY FAR THE LARGEST PROPERTY OWNER AND LESSEE IN THE TERRITORY, WITH OVER 1,700 OWNED BUILDINGS.

"RESPONSIBILITY FOR MANAGING DIFFERENT ASPECTS OF THIS HUGE ESTATE HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN DISPERSED AMONG A NUMBER OF DEPARTMENTS, BUT IT WAS CLEAR NOW THAT CENTRALISED MANAGEMENT WAS NECESSARY.

"THE COSTS INVOLVED IN RUNNING THE ESTATE WERE VERY HIGH, AND IT HAD BECOME ESSENTIAL TO CONTROL THEM MORE CLOSELY.

"IN PARTICULAR, SITE UTILISATION NEEDED TO BE EXAMINED SO THAT UNDER-DEVELOPED SITES COULD EITHER BE REDEVELOPED OR SOLD TO THE PRIVATE SECTOR," HE SAID.

MR MACKLEY ADDED THAT OTHER IMMEDIATE PRIORITIES WERE TO:

- (A) INTRODUCE APPROPRIATE COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES IN GOVERNMENT PROPERTIES;
- (B) FORMULATE MEASURES TO IMPROVE THE DESIGN AND MANAGEMENT OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTIES;
- (C) EXAMINE CRITICALLY THE SPATIAL AND LOCATIONAL NEEDS OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS WITH A VIEW TO ACCOMMODATING THEM IN PREMISES OF A TYPE AND IN A LOCATION THAT LEADS TO MAXIMUM EFFICIENCY AND VALUE FOR MONEY; AND
- (D) PROMOTE AMONG GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AN AWARENESS OF THE COST OF THE ACCOMMODATION THEY OCCUPY AND THE NEED TO OPTIMISE ITS USE.

THE AGENCY IS ACCOMMODATED ON THE SIXTH TO EIGHTH FLOORS OF ST JOHN'S BUILDING, 33 GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG.

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NEW KINDERGARTEN FEE REMISSION SCHEME TO BENEFIT MORE NEEDY PARENTS

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A GREATER NUMBER OF PARENTS AND TEACHERS ARE EXPECTED TO BENEFIT FROM THE NEW KINDERGARTEN IMPROVEMENT MEASURES WHICH WILL BE INTRODUCED IN THE 1990-91 SCHOOL YEAR.

THE MEASURES INCLUDE A NEW FEE REMISSION SCHEME WHICH IS SIMILAR IN APPROACH TO THE LONG-ESTABLISHED SCHEME FOR SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS.

THE NUMBER OF SUCCESSFUL PARENT-APPLICANTS IS EXPECTED TO BE ABOUT 10,000 COMPARED WITH ABOUT 4,000 UNDER THE EXISTING FEE ASSISTANCE SCHEME FOR KINDERGARTENS, AN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (TUESDAY).

HE SAID THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF FEE REMISSION WILL BE THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF THE FEES CHARGED IN NON-PROFIT-MAKING KINDERGARTENS OR THE ACTUAL FEE CHARGED BY THE KINDERGARTEN ATTENDED, WHICHEVER IS THE LOWER.

THE LEVEL OF REMISSION RECEIVED BY EACH APPLICANT WILL BE DETERMINED BY THE NUMBER OF FAMILY MEMBERS AND TOTAL FAMILY INCOME.

IN ASSESSING FEE REMISSION, A STANDARD RECKONER WILL BE USED IN RESPECT OF FAMILY INCOME, AS ILLUSTRATED BELOW:

EXAMPLES OF MONTHLY INCOME ----- ( \$ )	POINTS -----
0 - 2100	20
2101 - 2800	16
2801 - 3600	12
3601 - 4300	8
4301 - 5000	5
5001 - 5800	4
5801 - 6400	3
6401 - 6900	2
6901 - 7500	1

IN ADDITION TO POINTS BASED ON INCOME, ONE POINT WILL BE AWARDED FOR EACH DEPENDENT IN THE FAMILY. THE TOTAL NUMBER OF POINTS SCORED BY THE APPLICANT WILL DETERMINE THE LEVEL OF REMISSION.

FULL REMISSION WILL BE GRANTED TO AN APPLICANT WHO HAS 20 POINTS OR OVER, THREE-QUARTERS REMISSION TO 17-19 POINTS, HALF REMISSION TO 15-16 POINTS AND A QUARTER REMISSION TO 10-14 POINTS. THERE WILL BE NO REMISSION TO THOSE WITH LESS THAN 10 POINTS.

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"ALLOWING FOR INFLATION AND ASSUMING THAT ALL KINDERGARTENS PAY THEIR TEACHERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RECOMMENDED SALARY SCALES, IT IS ESTIMATED THAT IN THE 1990-91 SCHOOL YEAR, THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE FEE OF NON-PROFIT-MAKING KINDERGARTENS WILL INCREASE FROM ABOUT \$2,650 TO ABOUT \$3,160 PER ANNUM. INDIVIDUAL BENEFITS NEXT YEAR WILL THEREFORE RANGE FROM ABOUT \$790 (QUARTER REMISSION) TO ABOUT \$3,160 (FULL REMISSION)," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE NEW SCHEME, WHICH IS SUBJECT TO FINANCE COMMITTEE APPROVAL, IS ESTIMATED TO COST ABOUT \$14 MILLION IN THE FIRST FULL YEAR OF OPERATION, COMPARED WITH \$6.5 MILLION CURRENTLY SPENT ON THE EXISTING FEE ASSISTANCE SCHEME. DURING THE 1990-91 FINANCIAL YEAR, THE TOTAL COST WILL BE \$11 MILLION AS THE EXISTING SCHEME WILL STILL BE IN PLACE UNTIL THE END OF AUGUST THIS YEAR.

COMMENTING ON CALLS BY CONCERNED GROUPS FOR DIRECT GOVERNMENT SUBSIDY OF KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS SALARIES, THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT THE CURRENT KINDERGARTEN POLICY WAS BASED ON A RECOMMENDATION IN THE EDUCATION COMMISSION REPORT NO. 2 THAT "SOME DEGREE OF GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE IS JUSTIFIED TO ENSURE THAT ALL CHILDREN CONTINUE TO HAVE ACCESS TO PRE-PRIMARY EDUCATION THOUGH WE CANNOT RECOMMEND THAT KINDERGARTENS SHOULD BE SUBSUMED INTO AN AIDED SECTOR".

THE UNDERLYING PRINCIPLE OF THE NEW FEE REMISSION SCHEME IS THEREFORE THAT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE DIRECTED TOWARDS PARENTS RATHER THAN KINDERGARTEN OPERATORS, AND MEANS-TESTED, BUT EXTENDED TO MORE PARENTS.

TO INTRODUCE A SALARY SUPPLEMENTATION FOR ALL KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS WOULD IN EFFECT BE ASKING TAXPAYERS TO SUBSIDISE ALL PARENTS IRRESPECTIVE OF NEED, HE POINTED OUT.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE GOVERNMENT HAD DRAWN UP RECOMMENDED SALARY SCALES FOR TEACHERS, AND KINDERGARTENS WERE NOW ALLOWED TO RAISE THEIR FEES TO MEET THE COST OF PUTTING UP THEIR TEACHERS' SALARIES TO THE RECOMMENDED LEVELS.

TO ENSURE THAT KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS WILL ACTUALLY RECEIVE THE SALARY INCREASES APPLIED FOR, KINDERGARTEN OPERATORS WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN A RECORD OF SALARY PAYMENTS AND TO SUBMIT THESE TO THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT WHEN APPLYING FOR FURTHER FEE INCREASES IN FOLLOWING YEARS.

THE RECOMMENDED SALARIES RANGE FROM \$6,560-\$9,970 (PLUS A \$500 ALLOWANCE FOR A HEAD TEACHER) FOR A QUALIFIED KINDERGARTEN TEACHER TO \$3,725-\$6,970 FOR A QUALIFIED ASSISTANT KINDERGARTEN TEACHER.

THE RECOMMENDED SALARY FOR AN UNQUALIFIED TEACHER WITHOUT ANY RECOGNISED TRAINING IS \$3,570.

"THE RECOMMENDED SALARY SCALES SHOULD ENCOURAGE QUALIFIED TEACHERS TO REMAIN IN THE PROFESSION AND RESULT IN A GREATER NUMBER OF UNQUALIFIED ONES SEEKING PROFESSIONAL TRAINING," THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

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AN ADVANCE COPY OF A LEAFLET DESCRIBING THE NEW FEE REMISSION SCHEME AND OUTLINING THE APPLICATION PROCEDURES IS BEING DISTRIBUTED TO KINDERGARTENS FOR THEIR INFORMATION.

BULK SUPPLIES OF THE LEAFLET WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO PARENTS WELL IN TIME FOR THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR.

ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO INDIVIDUAL KINDERGARTENS OR TO THE ASSISTANCE SCHEMES UNITS OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT ON 839 2344 (HONG KONG), 385 5514 (KOWLOON) OR 760 1927 (NEW TERRITORIES).

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HIGHER DISABILITY ALLOWANCE FOR ALL AGE GROUPS  
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HIGHER DISABILITY ALLOWANCE (HDA) WILL BE EXTENDED TO SEVERELY DISABLED PERSONS AGED BELOW 16 STARTING FROM APRIL THIS YEAR, A SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (TUESDAY).

THIS IS THE LAST PHASE OF A THREE-PHASE PLAN INTRODUCED IN 1988 TO PROVIDE GREATER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO SEVERELY DISABLED PERSONS WHO REQUIRE CONSTANT ATTENDANCE FROM OTHERS IN THEIR DAILY LIVES BUT ARE NOT RECEIVING SUCH CARE IN A GOVERNMENT OR SUBVENTED INSTITUTION.

"LAST YEAR, HDA WAS EXTENDED TO DISABLED PERSONS AGED 16 AND ABOVE. FROM NEXT MONTH, PERSONS OF ALL AGES WHO MEET THE REQUIREMENT WILL BENEFIT FOR AN ALLOWANCE WHICH IS TWICE THE RATE OF A NORMAL DISABILITY ALLOWANCE (NDA)," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

IT IS ESTIMATED THAT ABOUT 6,000 PERSONS WILL BENEFIT FROM THE EXTENSION. THE RATE OF THIS ALLOWANCE IS \$1,240, WHICH WILL BE REVISED TO \$1,370 FROM APRIL 1.

TO QUALIFY, A PERSON MUST MEET CRITERIA FOR A NDA AND MUST ALSO BE CERTIFIED EITHER BY THE DIRECTOR OF HOSPITAL SERVICES, THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH OR THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE TO BE IN NEED OF CONSTANT ATTENDANCE.

THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT HAS SET OUT PROCEDURES FOR CERTIFICATION FOR HDA FOR EXISTING NDA RECIPIENTS AGED BELOW 16. APPLICANTS CAN APPLY EITHER BY POST OR CALL AT THE DEPARTMENT'S FIELD OFFICES OR BE REFERRED BY A THIRD PARTY.

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15 QUESTIONS, SIX BILLS ON LEGCO AGENDA

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MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL WILL ASK A TOTAL OF 15 QUESTIONS AND CONSIDER SIX BILLS AT THE COUNCIL'S MEETING TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY).

FOUR BILLS WILL BE INTRODUCED FOR FIRST AND SECOND READINGS.

THEY ARE THE HONG KONG PRODUCTIVITY COUNCIL (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990, PROVISIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY BILL 1990, EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION INSURANCE LEVIES BILL 1990, AND RADIATION (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990.

SECOND READING DEBATES ON THE URBAN COUNCIL (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990 AND REGIONAL COUNCIL (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990 WILL RESUME. WHEN THESE ARE COMPLETED, EACH BILL IS DUE TO GO THROUGH THE COMMITTEE STAGE AND BE GIVEN A THIRD READING.

IN ADDITION, A MOTION UNDER THE PUBLIC FINANCE ORDINANCE WILL BE MOVED BY THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY.

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WATER QUALITY ON AGENDA

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THE RESULTS OF WATER QUALITY TESTS IN TUEN MUN NULLAH WILL BE DISCUSSED BY MEMBERS OF THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD'S ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT AND DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AT A MEETING TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY).

A PAPER PREPARED BY THE ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION DEPARTMENT WILL ALSO FOCUS ON FUTURE WATER QUALITY MEASURES.

TWO PAPERS PREPARED BY THE TUEN MUN DEVELOPMENT OFFICE WILL BE TABLED. THESE CONCERN THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF SIX ROADS IN AREA 16, AND A BUS TERMINUS ADJACENT TO THE SAM SHING LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT TERMINUS.

ANOTHER PAPER CONCERNS NOISE COMING FROM SCHOOLS, ESPECIALLY THOSE IN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD'S ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT AND DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE TO BE HELD TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) IN THE DB CONFERENCE ROOM, THIRD FLOOR, TUEN MUN GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 1 TUEN HI ROAD, TUEN MUN.

THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 2 PM.

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PRESERVATION OF HOSPITAL FACADE ON DB COMMITTEE AGENDA

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THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT BOARD'S ENVIRONMENT AND WORKS COMMITTEE WILL DISCUSS A PROPOSAL BY THE ANTIQUITIES ADVISORY BOARD TO PRESERVE THE FACADE OF THE FORMER MENTAL HOSPITAL IN HIGH STREET, SAI YING PUN, AT ITS MEETING ON THURSDAY (MARCH 15).

MEMBERS' VIEWS WILL ALSO BE SOUGHT ON THE DISTRICT'S FIVE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS SCHEDULED FOR THE COMING FINANCIAL YEAR.

A REPORT ON THE RESITING ARRANGEMENTS FOR LICENSED HAWKERS AFFECTED BY THE CENTRAL HILLSIDE ESCALATOR LINK PROJECT WILL BE TABLED.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT BOARD'S ENVIRONMENT AND WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM ON THURSDAY (MARCH 15) IN ROOM 1416, HARBOUR BUILDING, 38 PIER ROAD, CENTRAL.

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DB COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER FOOTPATH FOR MORNING WALKERS

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MEMBERS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE OF THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT BOARD WILL STUDY A PROPOSAL TO BUILD A PROPER FOOTPATH WITH RAILINGS BETWEEN PO LAM AND TSUI LAM ESTATES IN TSEUNG KWAN O FOR MORNING WALKERS, AT A MEETING ON THURSDAY (MARCH 15).

REPAIR WORK TO THE DRAINAGE SYSTEM AT SUN KING TERRACE AT HIRAM'S HIGHWAY WILL BE CONSIDERED.

MEMBERS WILL CONTINUE THEIR DISCUSSION ON THE SUPPLY OF STANDPIPE WATER TO VILLAGERS OF PO TOI O, WHO HAVE COMPLAINED THAT DRINKING WATER FROM NEARBY STREAMS HAS BEEN CONTAMINATED, AND SALTY, RECENTLY.

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THEY WILL ALSO SEEK INFORMATION FROM THE GOVERNMENT ON THE APPLICATION PROCEDURES FOR CONNECTING THE GOVERNMENT SEWAGE PIPELINES WITH THOSE OF INDIVIDUAL HOUSEHOLDS IN SHA KOK MEI VILLAGE.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT BOARD'S ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING, WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 10 AM ON THURSDAY (MARCH 15) IN THE DB CONFERENCE ROOM, SECOND FLOOR, SAI KUNG GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 34 CHAN MAN STREET, SAI KUNG TOWN.

PLEASE ALSO NOTE THAT A CLEAN VILLAGE COMPETITION PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM AFTER THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING.

PRIZES WILL BE PRESENTED TO THREE SAI KUNG VILLAGES BY THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT OFFICER, MR FREDERICK TONG.

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY.

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FIGHT CRIME, ANTI-NARCOTICS VARIETY SHOW IN FANLING

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A VARIETY SHOW FEATURING SOME OF THE TERRITORY'S TOP POP TALENTS WILL BE STAGED ON SATURDAY, MARCH 24, EVENING AT THE FANLING RECREATION GROUND TO MARK THE CLIMAX OF THE 1989-90 NORTH DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME AND ANTI-DRUG ADDICTION CAMPAIGN.

THE TWO-HOUR SHOW IS BEING ORGANISED BY THE NORTH DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE AND PRODUCED BY RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG (RTHK) TO PUT ACROSS TO YOUNGSTERS THE MESSAGE ABOUT THE DANGERS OF DRUG ADDICTION AND TO PROMOTE AN ACTIVE, HEALTHY ATTITUDE TOWARDS LIFE.

IT WILL INCLUDE PERFORMANCES BY POPULAR SINGERS SALLY YEH, CHAN CHUNG-LING, GRASSHOPPERS, NG YUEN-FONG, ECHO AND LAU SIK-MING. ARTISTES SIMON YAM, AMY YIP, SANDRA LANG AND SZE KAI-KEUNG WILL ACT IN A DRAMA. DISC JOCKEYS ERIC NG AND KITTY TAI WILL BE THE COMPERES OF THE SHOW.

THE SHOW IS SPONSORED BY THE NORTH DISTRICT BOARD, THE ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS, THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE REGIONAL COUNCIL. IT IS EXPECTED TO DRAW AN AUDIENCE OF ABOUT 16,000.

FREE ADMISSION TICKETS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE PUBLIC FROM THURSDAY (MARCH 15) ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS.

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TICKETS CAN ALSO BE OBTAINED FROM THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE AT JOCKEY CLUB ROAD, FANLING; ITS PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICE CENTRES AT SAN FUNG AVENUE, SHEUNG SHUI; TIN PING ESTATE, SHEUNG SHUI; CHEUNG WAH ESTATE, FANLING AND IN THE SHA TAU KOK COMMUNITY HALL AS WELL AS COMMUNITY AFFAIRS BRANCH OFFICE IN CHOI YUEN ESTATE, SHEUNG SHUI AND FROM THE FOUR RURAL COMMITTEES IN THE DISTRICT.

PRIOR TO THE SHOW, PRIZES WILL BE PRESENTED TO WINNERS OF AN INTER-SCHOOL ESSAY COMPETITION ON THE FIGHT CRIME THEME, AND RECIPIENTS OF THE "NORTH DISTRICT GOOD CITIZEN AWARD".

THE SHOW WILL BE BROADCAST LIVE ON RTHK'S RADIO 1, FROM 8 PM TO 10 PM.

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#### HEALTH EDUCATION EXHIBITION BEGINS ON FRIDAY

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A FOUR-DAY EXHIBITION TO PROMOTE AWARENESS OF PUBLIC HEALTH, ESPECIALLY AMONG STUDENTS, WILL BE HELD IN THE CITY HALL EXHIBITION HALL FROM FRIDAY (MARCH 16).

ON DISPLAY WILL BE WINNING ENTRIES IN THE 1990 INTER-SECONDARY SCHOOL HEALTH EDUCATION PROJECT EXHIBITION COMPETITION AND THE INTER-PRIMARY SCHOOL HEALTH EDUCATION PAINTING COMPETITION ORGANISED EARLIER IN THE YEAR.

THERE WILL BE 15 WINNING COLOUR PAINTINGS SELECTED FROM 2,484 ENTRIES FROM 131 PRIMARY SCHOOLS AND 14 WINNING PROJECTS FROM 21 PARTICIPATING SECONDARY SCHOOLS. THEY INCLUDE PICTURES, CHARTS, MODELS, FEATURE ARTICLES, SLIDE SHOWS, VIDEO SHOWS AND COMPUTER GAMES.

THEMES FOR THE PAINTINGS ARE GOOD HYGIENE HABITS, LOVE OUR NATURAL ENVIRONMENT, AND ENJOY LIFE IN A GROUP.

THEMES FOR THE PROJECTS ARE MULTI-STOREY RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS OF TOMORROW, POLLUTION IN HONG KONG AND ITS PREVENTION, AND DEVELOPING A HEALTHY PERSONALITY.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO VISIT THE EXHIBITION WHICH WILL BE OPEN UNTIL MARCH 19, BETWEEN 10 AM AND 5.30 PM DAILY. ADMISSION IS FREE.

THE EXHIBITION IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE URBAN COUNCIL AND THE REGIONAL COUNCIL, THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AND THE HEALTH EDUCATION UNIT OF THE MUNICIPAL SERVICES BRANCH.

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A PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT 3 PM ON FRIDAY TO HIGHLIGHT THE OPENING, AT THE CITY HALL EXHIBITION HALL. OFFICIATING WILL BE URBAN COUNCILLOR, MR CHEUNG KIN-TUNG, AND REGIONAL COUNCILLOR, MR LAI KAM-CHEUNG.

THE JUDGING FOR A "BEST ARTWORK DESIGN" PRIZE FOR ONE OF THE 14 PRIZE-WINNING PROJECTS WILL BE HELD BEFORE THE CEREMONY BEGINS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY OF THE 1990 INTER-SECONDARY SCHOOL HEALTH EDUCATION PROJECT EXHIBITION COMPETITION AND THE INTER-PRIMARY SCHOOL HEALTH EDUCATION PAINTING COMPETITION AT THE CITY HALL EXHIBITION HALL AT 3 PM ON FRIDAY (MARCH 16).

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TWO NT SITES TO LET BY TENDER

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TENDERS ARE BEING INVITED BY THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT FOR THE SHORT TERM TENANCY OF TWO LOTS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

LOCATED IN AREA 7A, SHEUNG SHUI, THE FIRST LOT IS A 3,206-SQUARE-METRE SITE DESIGNATED FOR A FEE PAYING PUBLIC CARPARK.

THE TENANCY IS FOR ONE YEAR, RENEWABLE QUARTERLY AFTERWARDS.

THE OTHER LOT IS LOCATED IN SAI KUNG TOWN, SAI KUNG, WHICH MEASURES ABOUT 3,586 SQUARE METRES. IT IS FOR A PUBLIC CARPARK FOR MOTOR VEHICLES, EXCLUDING ARTICULATED VEHICLES, CURRENTLY LICENSED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE ROAD TRAFFIC ORDINANCE.

THE TENANCY IS FOR FIVE YEARS, RENEWABLE QUARTERLY AFTERWARDS.

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF TENDERS IS NOON ON MARCH 23.

FORMS OF TENDER, TENDER NOTICE AND CONDITIONS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM AND TENDER PLAN INSPECTED AT THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE IN NORTH DISTRICT, SAI KUNG AND KOWLOON AND THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT, 14TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG.

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