



# DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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OUTDOOR RECREATION CENTRE AND PARK FOR TSUEN WAN  
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CONSULTANTS HAVE BEEN APPOINTED TO DRAW UP A MASTER PLAN FOR TSO KUNG TAM PARK IN TSUEN WAN FOLLOWING GOVERNMENT'S ANNOUNCEMENT LAST MONTH OF ITS INTENTION TO DEVELOP THE AREA AS AN OUTDOOR RECREATION CENTRE AND PARK SUBJECT TO FUNDS BEING PROVIDED.

THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR. DAVID AKERS-JONES SAID TODAY: +I AM VERY GLAD THAT THE CONSULTANTS, G. M.W. INTERNATIONAL, WHO WERE ASSOCIATED WITH A PROPOSED SCHEME FOR A CHILDREN'S PARK HAVE ACCEPTED THE APPOINTMENT= THEIR WORK WILL NOT BE WASTED AND THIS MEANS WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO GET OFF TO A QUICK START.+

HE SAID THE FIRST PHASE OF THE PROJECT WILL INCLUDE A RECREATION CENTRE WHERE YOUNG PEOPLE AND FAMILIES CAN STAY AND ENJOY OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES AND WALKING IN SURROUNDING HILLS.

A HOSTEL FOR 300 PEOPLE, AN INDOOR GAMES HALL, A SWIMMING POOL, A CHILDREN'S ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND AND OTHER OUTDOOR GAMES FACILITIES ARE PLANNED, HE ADDED.

THE SECOND PHASE WILL GRADUALLY OPEN UP THE 36 HECTARES OF LAND IN THE VALLEY WITH WALKS, GARDENS AND PAVILLIONS TO MAKE IT AS ATTRACTIVE AND PLEASANT AS POSSIBLE.

MR. AKERS-JONES SAID: +THERE IS A GREAT AND GROWING DEMAND FOR SUCH FACILITIES= THIS IS SHOWN BY THE SUCCESS OF THE SAI KUNG RECREATION CENTRE WHICH HAS BEEN VISITED BY 5,000 PEOPLE EVERY MONTH SINCE FEBRUARY.

+THERE IS AN URGENT NEED FOR MORE RECREATIONAL FACILITIES= TSUEN WAN AND KWAI CHUNG ALREADY HAVE A POPULATION OF OVER HALF A MILLION, AND THE GOVERNMENT HAS AN OBLIGATION TO MEET THIS NEED AS QUICKLY AS IT CAN.+

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## HIGH ISLAND RESERVOIR TO BEGIN IMPOUNDING WATER IN JUNE

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THE PWD'S DIRECTOR OF WATER SUPPLIES, MR. TOM TOMLINSON, ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT THE IMPOUNDING OF WATER AT THE HIGH ISLAND WATER SCHEME WILL START IN TWO MONTHS' TIME.

HE SAID WORKERS AT THE HIGH ISLAND WATER SCHEME, THE WATER AUTHORITY'S LARGEST +RESERVOIR FROM THE SEA+, ARE WORKING ROUND-  
THE-CLOCK TO RAISE THE PROJECT'S EAST DAM SUFFICIENTLY HIGH ENOUGH TO ENABLE THE IMPOUNDING OF WATER TO BEGIN IN JUNE.

WORK ON THE FIRST STAGE OF THE DAM INVOLVING THE LAYING OF FOUNDATIONS AT 42 METRES BELOW THE SEA LEVEL STARTED ONLY A YEAR AGO. NOW THE DAM HAS BEEN BROUGHT UP TO 12 METRES ABOVE THE SEA LEVEL.

+THE ITALIAN CONTRACTOR, VIANANI, IS WORKING DAY AND NIGHT TO ENSURE THAT THE IMPOUNDING OF SUMMER RAIN CAN START WITHOUT ANY FURTHER DELAY,+ MR. TOMLINSON SAID.

THE IMPOUNDING OF WATER WAS TO HAVE BEGUN LAST SUMMER BUT DUE TO A SEEPAGE THROUGH AND BENEATH THE EASTERN COFFER DAM, THE ORIGINAL PLAN HAD TO BE POSTPONED FOR ONE YEAR.

THE SENIOR RESIDENT ENGINEER OF THE WATER SCHEME, MR. A. PRYOR, SAID THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE EAST DAM TO ITS FULL HEIGHT OF 65 METRES ABOVE SEA LEVEL OR 107 METRES ABOVE FOUNDATION LEVEL WOULD TAKE ONE MORE YEAR.

WORK ON THE RESERVOIR'S WEST DAM WAS ALSO NEARING COMPLETION, HE SAID.

+WHEN THE PROJECT IS COMPLETED IN 1979, THE RESERVOIR WILL BE ABLE TO HOLD 273 MILLION CU. METRES OF WATER (60,000 MILLION GALLONS) AND BOOST HONG KONG'S TOTAL STORAGE CAPACITY TO 580 MILLION CU. METRES (128,000 MILLION GALLONS),+ MR. PRYOR SAID.

+WATER TO FILL THE RESERVOIR WILL BE OBTAINED FROM CATCHMENTS ON THE SAI KUNG PENINSULA.

+THESE FEED A 40 KILOMETRES LONG TUNNEL SYSTEM WHICH ALSO DELIVERS WATER FROM THE RESERVOIR TO THE NEWLY EXTENDED SHA TIN TREATMENT WORKS.

+THE TREATED WATER WILL BE PUMPED TO KOWLOON THROUGH PIPE-  
LINES UNDER THE ROADWAYS IN THE TWO LION ROCK TUNNELS.+

MR. PRYOR SAID THAT WATER TRAPPED AT LOWLAND CATCHMENTS, BELOW THE RESERVOIR'S TOP WATER LEVEL, WOULD BE RAISED TO THE RESERVOIR BY MEANS OF EIGHT AUTOMATIC PUMPING STATIONS.

THESE WOULD BE BROUGHT INTO SERVICE THIS SUMMER.

THE WATER SCHEME, COSTING AN ESTIMATED \$1,350 MILLION, IS THE SECOND RESERVOIR TO BE CARVED OUT FROM THE SEA TO KEEP PACE WITH THE RISING WATER DEMANDS OF EXPANDING POPULATION AND INDUSTRY.

THE NOVEL IDEA OF BUILDING A RESERVOIR FROM THE SEA WAS FIRST PIONEERED IN THE SIXTIES BY WATERWORKS ENGINEERS WITH THE PLOVER COVE RESERVOIR - HONG KONG'S BIGGEST EXISTING RESERVOIR WHICH HAS A CAPACITY OF 230 MILLION CU. METRES (50,500 MILLION GALLONS).

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LOCAL EMPLOYMENT SERVICE OPENS  
SAN PO KONG BRANCH OFFICE  
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THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT WILL OPEN A NEW LOCAL EMPLOYMENT SERVICE BRANCH OFFICE IN KING FUK STREET, SAN PO KONG ON MAY 2 TO SERVE JOB-SEEKERS AND EMPLOYERS IN NEARBY AREAS.

LOCATED ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF THE PARIS THEATRE BUILDING, THE NEW OFFICE IS THE SEVENTH SUCH BRANCH TO BE OPENED BY THE DEPARTMENT. ITS TELEPHONE NUMBER IS 3-265121/4.

IT WILL MAINLY SERVE JOB-SEEKERS AND EMPLOYERS IN SAN PO KONG, TZE WAN SHAN, WONG TAI SIN, KOWLOON CITY AND TO KWA WAN.

SENIOR LABOUR OFFICER, MRS. EVELYN PUN, SAID: +THE NEW OFFICE MARKS ANOTHER STEP FORWARD IN THE EXPANSION OF THE SERVICES OF THE LOCAL EMPLOYMENT SERVICE.

+MORE BRANCH OFFICES WILL BE SET UP IN OTHER PARTS OF HONG KONG, KOWLOON AND NEW TERRITORIES IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS.+

MRS. PUN SAID THE LOCAL EMPLOYMENT SERVICE PROVIDES A FREE EMPLOYMENT SERVICE TO HELP EMPLOYERS GET SUITABLE EMPLOYEES AND JOB-SEEKERS TO OBTAIN EMPLOYMENT.

SHE ADVISED JOB-SEEKERS TO REGISTER PERSONALLY AT ANY OF THE LOCAL EMPLOYMENT SERVICE OFFICES.

EMPLOYERS WHO WISH TO RECRUIT STAFF NEED ONLY NOTIFY THE LOCAL EMPLOYMENT SERVICE OF THE DETAILS OF THEIR REQUIREMENTS BY TELEPHONE.

ALL THEIR OFFICES ARE MANNED DURING WEEK-DAYS INCLUDING THE LUNCH HOUR BETWEEN 1 P.M. AND 2 P.M.

THE FOLLOWING ARE THE ADDRESSES AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS OF THE OTHER SIX LOCAL EMPLOYMENT SERVICE OFFICES:

ADDRESS	TEL.
NEW RODNEY BLOCK, QUEENSWAY, HONG KONG.	5-270276
CANTON ROAD GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, FOURTH FLOOR, KOWLOON.	3-675514
POST OFFICE BUILDING, FIRST FLOOR, UN CHAU STREET, KOWLOON.	3-875837

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KWUN TONG DISTRICT BRANCH                    3-898967  
OFFICE BUILDING,  
SECOND FLOOR,  
TUNG YAN STREET,  
KOWLOON.

CHARTERED BANK BUILDING,                    12-426722  
THIRD FLOOR,  
TSUEN WAN,  
NEW TERRITORIES.

NO. 52, PO HEUNG STREET,                    12-662822  
GROUND FLOOR,  
TAI PO,  
NEW TERRITORIES.

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