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LIGHT RAIL DECISION WARMLY WELCOMED
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THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, MR ALAN SCOTT, HAS WARMLY WELCOMED THE DECISION BY THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY CORPORATION TO BUILD AND OPERATE THE TUEN MUN/YUEN LONG LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT SYSTEM.

REFERRING TO THE ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE KCRC THAT IT HAS IN PRINCIPLE ACCEPTED THE GOVERNMENT'S INVITATION TO BUILD AND OPERATE THE LRT SYSTEM, MR SCOTT SAID THAT THE LRT SYSTEM WOULD CONSTITUTE THE CORE TRANSPORT SYSTEM FOR THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF THE NORTH-WEST NEW TERRITORIES. EXPECTED TO BEGIN OPERATIONS IN 1988, THE LRT SYSTEM IS DESIGNED TO SERVE A POPULATION OF ABOUT THREE-QUARTER OF A MILLION BY THE TURN OF THE CENTURY, HE NOTED.

+THE LRT SYSTEM IS A SUBSTANTIAL AND IMPORTANT COMMUNITY INVESTMENT AND A VITAL COMPONENT IN THE GOVERNMENT'S LONG TERM PLANS FOR AN INTEGRATED AND BALANCED SYSTEM OF TRANSPORT FACILITIES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES. A CAREFUL PLAN HAS BEEN DEvised TO ENSURE THAT THE DIFFERENT MODES OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT PROVIDE ADEQUATE AND COMPLEMENTARY SERVICES, SO THAT RESIDENTS IN THE NORTH-WEST WILL HAVE A CONVENIENT, EFFICIENT, AND REASONABLY PRICED TRANSPORT SYSTEM+, SAID MR SCOTT.

THE KCRC'S LRT PROPOSALS, TOGETHER WITH THE GOVERNMENT'S GENERAL TRANSPORT PLANS FOR THE REGION, WILL BE PUT TO THE TUEN MUN AND YUEN LONG DISTRICT BOARDS IN THE NEAR FUTURE, AS A JOINT AND COMPREHENSIVE PRESENTATION.

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OVER 50 000 GET AIDED FORM 4 PLACES
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A TOTAL OF 51 660 STUDENTS WHO TOOK PART IN THE JUNIOR SECONDARY EDUCATION ASSESSMENT SYSTEM, WERE ALLOCATED AIDED FORM FOUR PLACES THIS YEAR, AN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY.

ORIGINALLY, 75 580 PUPILS ENTERED FOR THE SYSTEM THIS YEAR. AMONG THEM, 1 703 HAVE ACCEPTED PLACES ON FULL-TIME CRAFT COURSES IN TECHNICAL INSTITUTES AND 2 150 HAVE OPTED OUT DURING THE YEAR.

OF THE REMAINING 71 727 PUPILS, 72 PER CENT HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED SUBSIDISED FORM FOUR PLACES.

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THE SPOKESMAN SAID MORE THAN 81.9 PER CENT OF THE CHILDREN HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED BACK TO THEIR OWN 'FEEDER' SCHOOLS. 84.6 PER CENT OF THE PUPILS WERE ALLOCATED TO SCHOOLS OF THEIR FIRST CHOICE (82.3 PER CENT IN 1983 AND 81.1 PER CENT IN 1982). A TOTAL OF 97.3 PER CENT WERE ALLOCATED TO SCHOOLS WITHIN THEIR CHOICES (96.5 PER CENT IN 1983 AND 95.4 PER CENT IN 1982).

THE RESULTS OF ALLOCATION WILL BE RELEASED TO ALL PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS FOR COLLECTION BY PUPILS TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

REGISTRATION OF FEEDER PUPILS (I.E. PUPILS ALLOCATED PLACES IN THEIR OWN SCHOOLS) WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE SAME DATE THE ALLOCATION RESULTS ARE RELEASED. FOR THIS PURPOSE PUPILS ARE REMINDED THAT THEY SHOULD LEAVE THEIR REGISTRATION FORMS WITH THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

PUPILS WHO HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED TO OTHER SCHOOLS SHOULD REPORT FOR REGISTRATION ON WEDNESDAY (JULY 18). WHEN REPORTING FOR REGISTRATION, THEY SHOULD BRING THE FOLLOWING:

- (A) PUPIL IDENTIFICATION FORM, OR IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENT PREPARED BY THE SCHOOL AND ENDORSED BY THE JSEA SECTION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT;
- (B) REGISTRATION FORM;
- (C) INDIVIDUAL RESULT SLIP;
- (D) PUPIL'S HONG KONG IDENTITY CARD; AND
- (E) TWO RECENT PASSPORT-SIZE PHOTOGRAPHS WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED BY THE SCHOOL.

PUPILS WHO HAVE ACCEPTED A PLACE OFFERED BY A TECHNICAL INSTITUTE SHOULD REPORT FOR REGISTRATION ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 18.

IF A PUPIL IS UNABLE TO COLLECT HIS ALLOCATION RESULT OR GO FOR REGISTRATION BY JULY 18, HE SHOULD AUTHORISE, IN WRITING, A REPRESENTATIVE TO COLLECT THE RESULT OR REPORT TO THE SCHOOL FOR REGISTRATION ON HIS BEHALF. THE LETTER OF AUTHORISATION MUST HAVE BEEN ENDORSED BY THE ORIGINAL SCHOOL. IT SHOULD BE PRODUCED AT THE TIME OF COLLECTION OR REGISTRATION BY THE APPOINTED REPRESENTATIVE.

IN REGISTERING WITH A SCHOOL, A PUPIL MUST SURRENDER HIS REGISTRATION FORM TO THE SCHOOL. IN THE EVENT OF A SUBSEQUENT TRANSFER, THE PUPIL MUST RETRIEVE HIS REGISTRATION FORM FROM THE ORIGINAL SCHOOL WHICH WILL THEN CANCEL HIS REGISTRATION IN THAT SCHOOL.

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'SCHOOLS MAY NOT ADMIT ANY PUPIL WITHOUT HIS REGISTRATION FORM', THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

ANY PUPIL WHO HAS MOVED TO ANOTHER DISTRICT AND WHO WISHES TO TRANSFER TO A SCHOOL NEARER TO HIS NEW RESIDENCE AFTER ALLOCATION MUST COMPLETE AN APPLICATION FORM WHICH IS AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL IN WHICH HE COMPLETED FORM THREE.

THE COMPLETED FORM MUST BE RETURNED TO THE SCHOOL FOR ONWARD TRANSMISSION TO THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT. APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER WILL CLOSE ON THURSDAY, JULY 19 AND ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUPPORTED BY DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE.

PUPILS REALLOCATED TO OTHER SCHOOLS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY PHONE ON JULY 22 OR 23, BETWEEN 9 AM AND 9 PM. REGISTRATION OF TRANSFERRED PUPILS WILL TAKE PLACE ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 25.

PUPILS WHO ARE NOT ALLOCATED A SUBSIDISED FORM FOUR PLACE WILL BE PROVIDED BY THEIR SCHOOLS WITH AN INFORMATION SHEET OUTLINING THE ALTERNATIVE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES OPEN TO THEM. THE SHEET CONTAINS ADDRESSES AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS FROM WHICH PUPILS MAY OBTAIN FURTHER INFORMATION.

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION INTO GOVERNMENT EVENING SECONDARY CLASSES WILL CLOSE ON THURSDAY, JULY 19. APPLICANTS MUST CALL IN PERSON AT THE ADULT EDUCATION SECTION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, ASIAN HOUSE, 12TH FLOOR, 1 HENNESSY ROAD, WAN CHAI (TEL: 5-295708), BRINGING WITH THEM THEIR JSEA RESULT SLIPS AND A PHOTOCOPY OF THE SLIP FOR RETENTION PURPOSE.

SHOULD TYPHOON SIGNAL NO. 8 OR ABOVE BE HOISTED DURING THE REGISTRATION PERIODS, HEADS OF SCHOOLS AND PUPILS SHOULD WATCH OUT FOR SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS IN THE MEDIA.

ALL ENQUIRIES CONCERNING ALLOCATION RESULTS SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE JUNIOR SECONDARY EDUCATION ASSESSMENT SECTION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AT TELEPHONE NUMBER 5-8919099.

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MARCH NOMINAL WAGE INDEXES RISE
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THE OVERALL MARCH 1984 NOMINAL WAGE INDEX, AT 117, SHOWS INCREASES OF 4.4 PER CENT WHEN COMPARED WITH DECEMBER 1983 AND OF 8.2 PER CENT WHEN COMPARED WITH THE MARCH 1983 INDEXES, ACCORDING TO RESULTS PUBLISHED TODAY BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

A COMPARISON OF MARCH 1984 WITH DECEMBER 1983 INDEXES SHOWS THAT THE NOMINAL WAGE INDEXES FOR THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR AND THE TRANSPORT SERVICES SECTOR EACH INCREASED BY 4.6 PER CENT, FOR THE WHOLESALE/RETAIL, IMPORT/EXPORT TRADES AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS SECTOR BY 3.6 PER CENT, FOR THE BUSINESS SERVICES SECTOR BY 5.3 PER CENT AND FOR THE PERSONAL SERVICES SECTOR BY 2.6 PER CENT.

A COMPARISON OF THE MARCH 1984 WITH MARCH 1983 INDEXES SHOWS THAT THE NOMINAL WAGE INDEXES FOR THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR INCREASED BY 8.6 PER CENT, FOR THE WHOLESALE/RETAIL, IMPORT/EXPORT TRADES AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS SECTOR BY 6.9 PER CENT FOR THE TRANSPORT SERVICES SECTOR BY 10.2 PER CENT, FOR THE BUSINESS SERVICES SECTOR BY 7.9 PER CENT, AND FOR THE PERSONAL SERVICES SECTOR BY 6.5 PER CENT.

THE NOMINAL WAGE INDEXES FOR THE PERIOD MARCH 1983 TO MARCH 1984 FOR SELECTED MAJOR ECONOMIC SECTORS ARE GIVEN IN TABLE 1. DETAILED BREAKDOWNS FOR THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR ARE GIVEN IN TABLE 2.

THE OVERALL REAL WAGE INDEX, AT 97 IN MARCH 1984, SHOWS AN INCREASE OF 2.1 PER CENT WHEN COMPARED WITH THE DECEMBER 1983 FIGURE, BUT A DECREASE OF 0.6 PER CENT WHEN COMPARED WITH MARCH 1983.

A COMPARISON OF THE MARCH 1984 FIGURE WITH THE DECEMBER 1983 FIGURE, SHOWS THAT THE REAL WAGE INDEXES FOR THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR INCREASED BY 2.3 PER CENT, FOR THE WHOLESALE/RETAIL, IMPORT/EXPORT TRADES AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS SECTOR BY 1.3 PER CENT, FOR THE TRANSPORT SERVICES SECTOR BY 2.4 PER CENT, AND FOR THE BUSINESS SERVICES SECTOR BY 3.1 PER CENT, WHILE THAT FOR THE PERSONAL SERVICES SECTOR SHOWED NO CHANGE.

A COMPARISON OF MARCH 1984 WITH MARCH 1983 INDEXES SHOWS THAT THE REAL WAGE INDEX FOR THE TRANSPORT SERVICES SECTOR INCREASED BY 1.3 PER CENT, WHILE THAT FOR THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR REMAINED RELATIVELY STABLE.

HOWEVER, THOSE FOR THE WHOLESALE/RETAIL, IMPORT/EXPORT TRADES AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS SECTOR, THE BUSINESS SERVICES SECTOR AND THE PERSONAL SERVICES SECTOR DECLINED BY 2.0 PER CENT, 0.9 PER CENT AND 2.2 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY.

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THE REAL WAGE INDEXES FOR THE PERIOD MARCH 1983 TO MARCH 1984 FOR SELECTED MAJOR ECONOMIC SECTORS ARE GIVEN IN TABLE 3.

THESE WAGE INDEXES ARE DERIVED FROM THE SURVEY OF WAGES, SALARIES AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS CONDUCTED EVERY QUARTER BY THE DEPARTMENT COVERING BOTH MANUAL AND NON-MANUAL WORKERS (EXCLUDING WORKERS AT THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND PROFESSIONAL LEVELS) IN SELECTED INDUSTRIES IN THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR, THE WHOLESALE/RETAIL, IMPORT/EXPORT TRADES AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS SECTOR, THE TRANSPORT SERVICES SECTOR, THE BUSINESS SERVICES SECTOR AND THE PERSONAL SERVICES SECTOR.

SUCH INDEXES MEASURE CHANGES IN WAGE RATES BY HOLDING THE STRUCTURAL PATTERN OF THE LABOUR FORCE WITH RESPECT TO INDUSTRY, OCCUPATION, SEX AND MODE OF PAYMENT THE SAME AS THAT OF MARCH 1982, WHICH IS THE BASE PERIOD OF THE WAGE INDEXES.

WHILE THE NOMINAL WAGE INDEX MEASURES CHANGES IN WAGE RATES IN MONEY TERMS, THE REAL WAGE INDEX, WHICH IS OBTAINED BY DEFLATING THE NOMINAL WAGE INDEX BY THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (A), MEASURES CHANGES IN THE PURCHASING POWER OF WAGES (ALTHOUGH THE SAME DEFLATOR IS USED FOR EACH INDUSTRY TO DERIVE THE REAL WAGE INDEX FROM ITS NOMINAL COUNTERPART, THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE MOVEMENTS OF THE NOMINAL WAGE INDEX AND THE REAL WAGE INDEX BETWEEN ANY TWO TIME PERIOD MAY VARY SLIGHTLY FROM INDUSTRY TO INDUSTRY DUE TO ROUNDING).

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT DREW ATTENTION TO THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE WAGE INDEXES AND THE INDEXES OF PAYROLL PER PERSON ENGAGED WHICH ARE ALSO PUBLISHED AT QUARTERLY INTERVALS.

HE POINTED OUT THAT WHILE WAGE RATES PROVIDE A MEASURE OF THE UNIT PRICE OF LABOUR, PAYROLL PER PERSON ENGAGED IS A MEASURE OF PER CAPITA EARNINGS.

WAGE RATES REPRESENT THE AMOUNT OF REMUNERATION FOR NORMAL HOURS OF WORK, AND ARE DEFINED TO INCLUDE BASIC WAGES AND SALARIES, COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCE, MEAL BENEFITS, COMMISSIONS AND TIPS, GOOD ATTENDANCE BONUS AND NIGHT SHIFT ALLOWANCE.

IN ADDITION, YEAR-END BONUS AND OTHER GUARANTEED AND REGULAR BONUSES AND ALLOWANCES THAT ARE PAID LESS FREQUENTLY THAN MONTHLY, ARE CONVERTED TO AN EQUIVALENT MONTHLY RATE WHEN COMPILING THE WAGE RATE INDEXES.

TOTAL PAYROLL, ON THE OTHER HAND, IS THE AMOUNT OF DIRECT CASH PAYMENTS THAT EMPLOYEES RECEIVE FROM EMPLOYERS. APART FROM THE ABOVE MENTIONED CASH RECEIPTS, IT ALSO INCLUDES OVERTIME PAY AND OTHER NON-GUARANTEED AND IRREGULAR BONUSES AND ALLOWANCES.

HENCE, STATISTICS ON PAYROLL PER PERSON ENGAGED TEND TO BE SENSITIVE TO CHANGES IN THE NUMBER OF HOURS ACTUALLY WORKED, THE TIMING OF THE PAYMENT OF BONUSES AND BACK-PAY, AND THE COMPOSITION OF THE LABOUR FORCE.

AS A RESULT, MOVEMENTS IN WAGE RATES DO NOT NECESSARILY CONFORM WITH THOSE IN PAYROLL PER PERSON ENGAGED.

THE SURVEY FINDINGS ARE PUBLISHED IN THE REPORT OF WAGES, SALARIES AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS STATISTICS VOL. I, MARCH 1984 WHICH WILL BE ON SALE SHORTLY AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE.

THE VOL. II ISSUE OF THE REPORT CONTAINING DETAILED OCCUPATIONAL STATISTICS, SUCH AS WAGE RATES, NUMBER OF NORMAL HOURS OF WORK AND NUMBER OF STANDARD WORKING DAYS IS EXPECTED TO BE AVAILABLE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE IN EARLY AUGUST 1984.

FOR ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE WAGE INDEXES, PLEASE CONTACT THE WAGES AND LABOUR COSTS STATISTICS SECTION OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT AT TELEPHONE NOS. 5-455774 OR 5-416062.

TABLE 1 : NOMINAL WAGE INDEXES BY SELECTED MAJOR ECONOMIC SECTORS

SELECTED MAJOR ECONOMIC SECTORS	INDEXES (MARCH 1982 = 100)				
	MAR. 1983	JUNE 1983	SEPT 1983	DEC. 1983	MAR. 1984
MANUFACTURING	108	110	111	112	117
WHOLESALE/RETAIL, IMPORT/EXPORT TRADES AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS	106	107	108	110	114
TRANSPORT SERVICES	114	118	119	120	125
BUSINESS SERVICES	108	109	110	111	117
PERSONAL SERVICES	107	106	111	111	113
ALL SECTORS ABOVE	108	110	111	112	117

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TABLE 2 : NOMINAL WAGE INDEXES FOR MAJOR INDUSTRIES IN THE
MANUFACTURING SECTOR

INDUSTRY	INDEXES (MARCH 1982 = 100)				
	MAR. 1983	JUNE 1983	SEPT 1983	DEC. 1983	MAR. 1984
GARMENTS	106	108	109	110	113
GLOVES	107	107	107	110	113
HANDBAGS	105	106	107	107	113
COTTON SPINNING/WEAVING	108	111	111	111	119
KNITTING	108	112	113	115	120
BLEACHING AND DYEING	107	109	111	112	117
PRINTING	108	113	113	112	116
PLASTIC PRODUCTS	107	110	111	112	118
METAL PRODUCTS	107	110	113	113	119
ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES	106	109	113	115	126
ELECTRONICS	109	110	112	113	120
WATCHES AND CLOCKS	111	112	113	113	121
MANUFACTURING	108	110	111	112	117

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TABLE 3 : REAL WAGE INDEXES BY SELECTED MAJOR ECONOMIC SECTORS

SELECTED MAJOR ECONOMIC SECTORS	INDEXES (MARCH 1982 = 100)				
	MAR. 1983	JUNE 1983	SEPT 1983	DEC. 1983	MAR. 1984
MANUFACTURING	97	98	96	94	97
WHOLESALE/RETAIL, IMPORT/EXPORT TRADES AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS	96	95	93	93	94
TRANSPORT SERVICES	103	105	103	101	104
BUSINESS SERVICES	97	97	95	94	96
PERSONAL SERVICES	96	95	96	94	94
ALL SECTORS ABOVE	97	98	96	95	97

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PERCENTAGE OF SMOKERS DROPS
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ABOUT 20 PER CENT OF THE POPULATION AT THE AGE OF 15 AND ABOVE WERE HABITUAL CIGARETTE SMOKERS, ACCORDING TO A SURVEY CARRIED OUT BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT IN MARCH LAST YEAR.

THIS WAS DOWN FROM 23 PER CENT ESTIMATED BY A SIMILAR SURVEY CONDUCTED A YEAR EARLIER.

THE NUMBER OF HABITUAL SMOKERS DROPPED FROM 888 500 TO 783 900 OVER THE 12-MONTH PERIOD.

THE HABIT WAS MORE COMMON AMONG MALES THAN FEMALES: 34 PER CENT OF MALES AGED 15 AND OVER WERE SMOKERS, COMPARED WITH FIVE PER CENT FOR FEMALES. THE CORRESPONDING FIGURES IN THE PREVIOUS SURVEY WERE 40 PER CENT AND SIX PER CENT.

HOWEVER, THE NUMBER OF WOMEN SMOKERS AGED 20-39 INCREASED BY NEARLY 17 PER CENT OVER THE SAME PERIOD, FROM 15 900 TO 18 600.

THE SURVEY ALSO INDICATED THAT THE TENDENCY TO SMOKE INCREASED WITH AGE FOR BOTH SEXES.

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THE PERCENTAGE OF MALE SMOKERS AGED 20 AND OVER SHOWED AN ABRUPT INCREASE, WHILE ALMOST ONE IN EVERY TWO MEN AGED 40 AND ABOVE WAS A SMOKER.

THE PERCENTAGE OF FEMALE SMOKERS INCREASED FROM BELOW ONE PER CENT AMONG THOSE AGED 15-19 TO 13 PER CENT AMONG THOSE AGED 60 AND OVER.

HEAVY SMOKERS WERE MORE COMMON AMONG MEN THAN WOMEN. FOR INSTANCE, OVER HALF OF THE MALE SMOKERS CONSUMED 11 TO 20 CIGARETTES A DAY, WHEREAS ABOUT THE SAME PERCENTAGE OF FEMALE SMOKERS CONSUMED 1 TO 10 CIGARETTES A DAY.

ON AVERAGE, MALE SMOKERS CONSUMED 14 CIGARETTES A DAY, AND FEMALE SMOKERS, 11. THE CORRESPONDING FIGURES IN THE PREVIOUS SURVEY WERE 17 AND 11.

OLDER SMOKERS CONSUMED MORE CIGARETTES THAN YOUNGER ONES. ON AVERAGE, THOSE AGED 40-59 CONSUMED 15 CIGARETTES A DAY, COMPARED WITH 11 FOR THOSE AGED 15-19. THE COMPARATIVE FIGURES IN THE PREVIOUS SURVEY WERE 18 AND 12.

AMONG ECONOMICALLY ACTIVE PERSONS, FARMERS AND FISHERMEN WERE MORE LIKELY TO SMOKE: 41 OUT OF 100.

CLERICAL WORKERS HAD THE LOWEST SMOKING RATE: 11 OUT OF 100.

THE RATES FOR PROFESSIONALS AND TECHNICAL WORKERS, AT 12 PER CENT, WERE ALSO LOW.

AMONG ECONOMICALLY INACTIVE PERSONS, FULL-TIME STUDENTS HAD THE LOWEST RATE OF SMOKING: 0.6 PER CENT.

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LADY YOUDE TOURS TUEN MUN
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LADY YOUDE THIS (MONDAY) MORNING HAD A GLIMPSE OF THE OLD AND NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN TUEN MUN DURING A VISIT THERE.

ACCOMPANIED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR RICKY FUNG, LADY YOUDE FIRST WENT TO THE ROOFTOP OF OI HEI HOUSE IN YAU OI ESTATE FOR A PANORAMIC VIEW OF THE NEW TOWN, BEFORE TAKING A STROLL ROUND THE LIVE FISH STALLS AT THE CASTLE PEAK BAY WATERFRONT.

THE PARTY THEN VISITED THE YKK ZIPPER COMPANY (HONG KONG) LIMITED, A JAPANESE FIRM WHICH HAS BEEN IN OPERATION IN TUEN MUN FOR YEARS. IN RECENT YEARS, THE COMPANY HAS DIVERSIFIED INTO MANUFACTURING ALUMINIUM PRODUCTS AND IS PLANNING TO BUILD ANOTHER 20-STORY FACTORY BUILDING ADJACENT TO ITS PRESENT PLANT IN TUEN MUN AT A COST OF \$150 MILLION.

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AT TUEN CHI WAI, A WALLED VILLAGE OF THE TO CLAN BUILT SOME 200 YEARS AGO, LADY YOUDE TOURED THE ANCESTRAL HALL AND OTHER ANCILLARY STRUCTURES. SHE ALSO HAD A BRIEF DISCUSSION WITH THE VILLAGE REPRESENTATIVE, MR TO KAM-CHOW.

LADY YOUDE THEN WENT TO SEE THE MODERN RESIDENTIAL BLOCKS AT THE SIU HONG COURT HOME OWNERSHIP SCHEME AS WELL AS THE COMPREHENSIVE RANGE OF RECREATIONAL, EDUCATIONAL, SOCIAL AND COMMERCIAL FACILITIES THERE.

BEFORE LEAVING, SHE VISITED THE FAMOUS TAOIST MONASTERY - THE CHING CHUNG KOON - AND ITS HOME FOR THE AGED AND HAD A VEGETARIAN LUNCH THERE.

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MORE SEEKING FREE LEGAL ADVICE
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MORE PEOPLE ARE SEEKING ADVICE ON CIVIL LEGAL MATTERS FROM THE VOLUNTARY LAWYERS SERVING UNDER THE FREE LEGAL ADVICE SCHEME, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION SAID TODAY (MONDAY).

LAST FINANCIAL YEAR, 22 062 ENQUIRIES AND CASES CONCERNING THE SCHEME WERE RECEIVED BY STAFF AT THE CNTA'S 63 PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICE CENTRES, REPRESENTING A 30 PER CENT INCREASE AS COMPARED WITH THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

+OF THESE, 2 954 CASES WERE REFERRED TO THE DUTY LAWYERS UNDER THE SCHEME,+ HE ADDED.

THE FIVE MOST POPULAR TOPICS OF THE CASES WERE ON MONEY AND OTHER COMMERCIAL MATTERS (23.5 PER CENT), MATRIMONIAL MATTERS (19.9 PER CENT), COMPENSATION (12.1 PER CENT), LANDLORD AND TENANT (CONSOLIDATION) ORDINANCE (11.4 PER CENT), AND CRIMINAL CASES (6.9 PER CENT).

THE SCHEME, IMPLEMENTED IN NOVEMBER 1978, IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY CNTA AND THE LAW SOCIETY ON A DISTRICT BASIS TO PROVIDE FREE LEGAL ADVICE TO THOSE WHO CANNOT AFFORD IT.

THROUGH THE PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICE CENTRES, APPLICANTS ARE REFERRED TO MEET THE DUTY LAWYERS ATTENDING THE EIGHT EVENING BUREAUS SITUATED AT THE DISTRICT OFFICES OF WAN CHAI, EASTERN, MONG KOK, WONG TAI SIN, YAU MA TEI, KWUN TONG, TSUEN WAN AND SHA TIN.

LAST YEAR, MORE THAN 270 VOLUNTEER LAWYERS DRAWN FROM THE BAR, PRACTISING SOLICITORS AND GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS ATTENDED THE SCHEME.

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+ANYONE WISHING TO SEE THE DUTY LAWYERS MAY APPROACH ANY OF THE 63 PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICE CENTRES. AFTER AN INTERVIEW, STAFF OF THE CENTRES WILL IDENTIFY THEIR NEEDS AND MAKE REFERRALS WHERE NECESSARY,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

+DETAILS OF THE LEGAL PROBLEM WILL THEN BE FORWARDED TO THE DUTY LAWYER SO THAT PREPARATION WORK CAN BE TAKEN BEFORE THE APPOINTMENT.

+NORMALLY, AN APPOINTMENT WITH THE DUTY LAWYERS WILL BE ARRANGED WITHIN 10 DAYS AT ONE OF THE CENTRES OF THE APPLICANTS' OWN CHOICE.+

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FLATS LUCKY NUMBERS DRAWN
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A BALLOT WAS HELD TODAY IN THE +WOMEN TODAY+ PROGRAMME OF HK-TV8 TO DECIDE THE SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS FOR THE 6 616 FLATS TO BE SOLD UNDER PHASE VIA OF THE HOME OWNERSHIP SCHEME.

FOR THE 7 151 GREEN-FORM APPLICANTS FROM THE HOUSING AUTHORITY AND HOUSING SOCIETY TENANTS, THE LUCKY NUMBERS REPRESENTING THE LAST DIGIT OF THEIR REGISTRATION NUMBERS WERE 8, 0, 1, 6 AND 3, WHILE FOR THE 13 447 WHITE-FORM PRIVATE SECTOR APPLICANTS, THE LUCKY NUMBERS REPRESENTING THE LAST TWO DIGITS WERE 45, 51, 22, 00, 25, 98, 48, 73, 52, 17, 10, 92, 39, 44, 07, 93, 69 AND 18.

IN ADDITION, A PROPORTION OF APPLICATIONS WITH REGISTRATION NUMBERS ENDING IN 7 (GREEN FORM) AND 46 (WHITE FORM) WERE ALSO SUCCESSFUL.

THE REMAINDER OF THESE NUMBERS PLUS 9, 5, 2 AND 4 (GREEN FORM) AND 79, 63, 33, 01, 66, 12, 04, 27, 34, 65, 59, 54, 85, 14, 11, 37, 38, 97, 99, 60, 47, 31, 86, 49, 83, 71, 30, 68, 08, 23, 13, 02, 95, 75, 03, 94, 19, 20, 32, 78, 42, 41, 70, 61, 55, 74, 21, 06, 62, 58, 57, 67, 53, 87, 29, 35, 91, 77, 09, 24, 76, 81, 72, 90, 64, 16, 05, 50, 82, 28, 40, 43, 80, 26, 88, 56, 36, 15, 96, 84 AND 89 (WHITE FORM) WILL FORM THE RESERVE LIST.

A COMBINED PRIORITY LIST OF SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS IN THE GREEN-FORM AND WHITE-FORM CATEGORIES WAS LATER PRODUCED BY COMPUTER AT THE HOUSING AUTHORITY HEADQUARTERS.

PERFORMING THE BALLOT WERE MR CHARLES C.C. SIN, CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY'S HOME OWNERSHIP COMMITTEE, AND MR TSO SHIU-WAI, MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE, AND THE DRAW WAS WITNESSED BY AN ICAC REPRESENTATIVE, MR CHAN TUNG-SHAN.

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RESULTS OF THE BALLOT WILL BE PUBLISHED TOMORROW (TUESDAY) AND LISTS OF SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS WITH THEIR ORDER OF PRIORITY WILL BE POSTED FROM TOMORROW AFTERNOON AT THE HOME OWNERSHIP CENTRE, ALL HOUSING AUTHORITY AND HOUSING SOCIETY ESTATE OFFICES, AND DISTRICT OFFICES.

A COMPLETE LIST OF SUCCESSFUL REGISTRATION NUMBERS WILL ALSO BE PUBLISHED IN GOVERNMENT GAZETTE ON NEXT FRIDAY (JULY 27).

THE 6 616 PHASE VIA FLATS ARE LOCATED AT TAI PO PLAZA IN TAI PO, SIU HONG COURT IN TUEN MUN, CHOI PO COURT IN SHEK WU HUI AND MAY SHING COURT IN SHA TIN. THEIR GROSS AREAS VARY BETWEEN 41.3 AND 64.3 SQUARE METRES WITH PRICES RANGING FROM \$98 100 TO \$248 800.

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LOW-COST MEDICAL CARE FOR ELDERLY

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OLD PEOPLE IN TUEN MUN WILL BE ABLE TO RECEIVE PRIVATE MEDICAL TREATMENT AT A REDUCED FEE FROM TODAY (MONDAY).

SPONSORED BY THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD AT \$10 000, THE +COMMUNITY MEDICAL SERVICE SCHEME FOR THE ELDERLY+ ALREADY HAS THE SUPPORT OF 22 PRIVATE MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS, EIGHT DENTISTS, AND OPERATORS OF 10 DISPENSARIES IN THE DISTRICT.

UNDER THE SCHEME PEOPLE AGED 60 AND ABOVE CAN RECEIVE MEDICAL CONSULTATION AT A REDUCED FEE, OR EVEN FREE OF CHARGE AT THE DISCRETION OF INDIVIDUAL DOCTORS.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE SCHEME'S ORGANISING COMMITTEE SAID TODAY THAT ABOUT 3 000 OLD PEOPLE HAD ALREADY REGISTERED.

+THEY HAVE ALL BEEN ISSUED WITH REGISTRATION CARDS WHICH THEY WILL HAVE TO BRING WITH THEM WHEN THEY SEE A DOCTOR,+ HE SAID.

+WITH THE CARD, THEY CAN ALSO BUY MEDICINE AT A CHEAPER PRICE AT THE 10 DISPENSARIES.+

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THOSE WHO HAD NOT YET REGISTERED FOR THE SCHEME WERE WELCOME TO DO SO.

+ALL THEY HAVE TO DO IS TO BRING ALONG WITH THEM THEIR IDENTITY CARDS AND APPLY FOR THE REGISTRATION CARD AT THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT OFFICE AND ITS SUB-OFFICES,+ HE SAID.

+A LIST OF THE DOCTORS PARTICIPATING IN THE SCHEME WILL BE SHOWN TO THE APPLICANTS AND THEY WILL BE FREE TO CHOOSE ANY DOCTOR THEY LIKE.

+A REVIEW OF THE SCHEME WILL BE CARRIED OUT AFTER SIX MONTHS.+

MEMBERS IN THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE COMPRISE REPRESENTATIVES FROM LOCAL ORGANISATIONS, GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, VOLUNTARY AGENCIES AND THE DISTRICT BOARD.

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CHILDREN'S ARTWORK ON DISPLAY
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THE ACTING CHIEF SECRETARY, MR DENIS BRAY, TOURED AN ART EXHIBITION AT THE HENRY G. LEONG YAU MA TEI COMMUNITY CENTRE TODAY TO SEE SOME OF THE 300 PIECES OF WORK PRODUCED BY MENTALLY RETARDED CHILDREN.

ON ARRIVAL AT THE DISPLAY, WHICH WAS ENTITLED +MY ART PIECES+, MR BRAY WAS MET BY MR ALEXANDER FUNG, REGIONAL OFFICER (WEST KOWLOON) OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT, AND REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER ORGANISING BODIES.

MR BRAY SAW A WIDE VARIETY OF HANDWORK, INCLUDING PAINTING, POTTERY, PLASTER AND SCULPTURE. THE EXHIBITS WERE PRODUCED BY CHILDREN FROM THE ACTIVITIES CENTRES, SPECIAL EDUCATION SCHOOLS AND SHELTER WORKSHOPS.

LATER, HE WENT TO SEE AN ART CARNIVAL, WHERE HE WATCHED A GROUP OF MENTALLY RETARDED CHILDREN LEARNING SILK SCREENING, CARVING AND OTHER HANDICRAFT SKILLS UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF VOLUNTEER WORKERS.

MR BRAY ALSO CHATTED WITH SOME OF THE CHILDREN THERE.

THE TWO-DAY EXHIBITION, WHICH STARTED YESTERDAY (JULY 15), PROVIDED AN OPPORTUNITY FOR HUNDREDS OF MENTALLY HANDICAPPED CHILDREN TO DEMONSTRATE THEIR SKILLS THROUGH A SERIES OF STRUCTURED ACTIVITIES. IT HAS ATTRACTED THOUSANDS OF VISITORS, INCLUDING THE FAMILIES OF HANDICAPPED CHILDREN, SCHOOL TEACHERS, SOCIAL WORKERS AND PROFESSIONALS FROM OTHER RELATED FIELDS.

IT WAS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY : THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT HENRY G. LEONG YAU MA TEI COMMUNITY CENTRE, HONG KONG MENTALLY HANDICAPPED CHILDREN SCHOOL TEACHER'S ASSOCIATION, VOLUNTEER SERVICE DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION AND YAU MA TEI/TSIM SHA TSUI CULTURE AND ARTS ASSOCIATION FOR THE MENTALLY RETARDED CHILDREN AS PART OF THIS YEAR'S SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME.

TODAY'S VISIT WAS THE SECOND IN A SERIES ARRANGED FOR SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND UMELCO MEMBERS DURING THE SUMMER TO GAIN BETTER INSIGHT INTO THIS YEAR'S SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME.

APART FROM OFFERING A GREAT VARIETY OF HEALTHY RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES TO YOUNGSTERS IN HONG KONG, THE SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME ALSO LOOKS AFTER THE INTEREST OF SPECIAL TARGET GROUPS SUCH AS THE DISABLED, ORPHANS AND UNDERPRIVILEGED CHILDREN.

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NEW MARKET OPENS
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THERE HAS BEEN A MARKED IMPROVEMENT IN THE ENVIRONMENT OF TO KWA WAN FOLLOWING THE OPENING OF A MARKET COMPLEX IN AN AREA ONCE CLUTTERED WITH HAWKERS.

THE URBAN COUNCIL'S TO KWA WAN MARKET, BOUNDED BY LOK SHAN ROAD, KOWLOON CITY ROAD AND MA TAU WEI ROAD, OPENED FOR BUSINESS A FEW MONTHS AGO, AND NOW PROVIDES CENTRALISED RETAIL MARKET FACILITIES FOR THE 137 000 RESIDENTS OF THE AREA.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE COUNCIL SAID THE NEARBY STREETS, PARTICULARLY LOK SHAN ROAD AND KOWLOON CITY ROAD, WHICH WERE ONCE CLUTTERED WITH HAWKERS, NOW HAD A CLEAN AND FRESH LOOK.

+THE OLD TO KWA WAN MARKET WAS BUILT IN 1928 AND HAD ONLY 13 STALLS,+ SAID THE SPOKESMAN. +BECAUSE OF CONSTANT COMPLAINTS ABOUT ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION CAUSED BY THE THOUSANDS OF HAWKERS IN THE AREA, PLANNING BEGAN IN THE 70'S TO REDEVELOP THE SITE.+

THE NEW MARKET OCCUPIES THE BASEMENT, GROUND AND FIRST FLOORS OF THE TO KWA WAN MARKET AND GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING.

THERE ARE 406 MINI-STALLS, 20 MEAT STALLS, EIGHT POULTRY STALLS, 30 FISH STALLS, ONE ICE STALL, TWO NEWSPAPER KIOSKS AND 18 COOKED-FOOD STALLS, WITH THE GROUND AND FIRST FLOORS OF THE MARKET INTER-CONNECTED BY ESCALATORS.

FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF SHOPPERS, THERE ARE THREE SEPARATE ENTRANCES TO THE MARKET FROM LOK SHAN ROAD, MA TAU WEI ROAD AND KOWLOON CITY ROAD.

CONSTRUCTION OF THE BUILDING, COSTING ABOUT \$45 MILLION, BEGAN IN JANUARY 1982 AND WAS COMPLETED LAST DECEMBER.

APART FROM THE MARKET, OTHER URBAN COUNCIL FACILITIES IN THE BUILDING INCLUDE A CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA, A VOLLEYBALL COURT, TWO BASKETBALL COURTS AND AN INDOOR BADMINTON COURT. THE BUILDING ALSO HOUSES THE URBAN COUNCIL'S TO KWA WAN PUBLIC LIBRARY ON THE FIFTH AND SIXTH FLOORS.

THE OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE MARKET WILL BE HELD AT 11 AM ON FRIDAY, JULY 20, AND WILL BE PERFORMED BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL'S MARKETS AND STREET TRADERS SELECT COMMITTEE, MR SHUM CHOI-SANG.

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TEACHING DISABLED TO SWIM
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TWO SWIMMING COURSES FOR DISABLED CHILDREN ARE BEING ORGANISED BY THE RECREATION AND SPORTS SERVICE (RSS) OF THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT.

THE TWO COURSES FOR CEREBRAL PALSIED CHILDREN AND PHAB JUNIORS, CO-ORGANISED WITH THE HONG KONG PHAB ASSOCIATION AND HELD AT THE LADY MACLEHOSE POKFULAM PHAB CENTRE GOT OFF GROUND ON JULY 14.

EACH COURSE WILL BE SPREAD OVER 10 SESSIONS AND LAST UNTIL SEPTEMBER 22.

TWENTY CHILDREN AGED BETWEEN 6 AND 12 HAVE TAKEN PART IN EACH COURSE.

+IT IS OUR FIRST TIME TO TEACH CEREBRAL PALSIED CHILDREN HOW TO SWIM,+ A SPOKESMAN FOR RSS SAID.

+THE AIM IS TO IMPROVE THEIR PHYSICAL FITNESS AND LET THEM ENJOY THE FUN IN SWIMMING.

+WHEN IN WATER, A CEREBRAL PALSIED CHILD CAN FEEL THE MOBILITY AND FREEDOM AND WILL BENEFIT EMOTIONALLY AND PSYCHOLOGICALLY.+

+IF THE COURSE PROVES TO BE SUCCESSFUL, WE SHALL ORGANISE MORE TO CATER FOR A LARGER NUMBER OF CEREBRAL PALSIED CHILDREN IN THE FUTURE,+ SHE ADDED.

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YOUNG PART-TIME LIFE GUARDS NEEDED
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YOUNG PEOPLE HOLDING APPROVED LIFE SAVING QUALIFICATION ARE INVITED TO APPLY FOR JOBS AS PART-TIME LIFEGUARDS TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY.

STUDENTS ARE ALSO WELCOME TO TAKE UP THE TEMPORARY WORK AND EARN MORE THAN \$2 000 A MONTH DURING THE PRESENT SUMMER HOLIDAYS, SAID A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

THE NTSD IS NOW LAUNCHING ITS ANNUAL PART-TIME LIFEGUARD RECRUITMENT DRIVE TO STRENGTHEN ITS NORMAL LIFE SAVING SERVICES IN THE CURRENT PEAK SWIMMING SEASON.

THE PART-TIME LIFEGUARDS WILL EITHER BE EMPLOYED ON A SHORT-CONTRACT TERM WITH A MONTHLY SALARY OF \$2 755, OR ON A \$109-A-DAY BASIS.

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THEY WILL BE DEPLOYED AT VARIOUS GAZETTED BEACHES AND PUBLIC SWIMMING POOLS THROUGHOUT THE NEW TERRITORIES.

APPLICANTS SHOULD AT LEAST HOLD A BRONZE MEDALLION AWARDED BY THE ROYAL LIFE-SAVING SOCIETY AND BE UNDER 35.

THEY SHOULD ALSO HAVE STRONG PHYSIQUE AND GOOD EYE-SIGHT WITHOUT WEARING SPECTACLES.

PRIORITY WILL BE GIVEN TO THOSE WHO HAVE ACTUAL EXPERIENCE OR POSSESS HIGHER LIFE-SAVING QUALIFICATION, SUCH AS AN AWARD OF MERIT, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

APPLICATION FORMS GF 340 ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT ALL DISTRICT OFFICES AND PERSONNEL SECTIONS OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS IN BOTH THE URBAN AREA AND THE NEW TERRITORIES.

COMPLETED FORMS SHOULD BE SENT TO THE NTSD HEADQUARTERS ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF SWIRE AND MACLAINE HOUSE (AUSTIN CENTRE) AT 19-23 AUSTIN AVENUE, TSIM SHA TSUI, BEFORE AUGUST 6 (MONDAY).

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LIGHTING UP MORE PARKS * * * *

LIGHTING WORK IS BEING CARRIED OUT AT NINE PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE HARBOUR. AN \$828 888-CONTRACT FOR THE WORK HAS BEEN AWARDED BY THE BUILDING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT TO EMPIRE ENGINEERING COMPANY LIMITED TO CARRY OUT THE WORK.

IT INCLUDES SUPPLYING AND INSTALLING LIGHTING WHERE THERE IS NONE AT PRESENT, AND IMPROVING THE LIGHTING IN OTHER PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS.

THE WORK IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED BY FEBRUARY NEXT YEAR.

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SCHOOL WORK * * *

WORK STARTED TODAY (MONDAY) ON REFURBISHING KWUN TONG GOVERNMENT PRIMARY SCHOOL IN NGAU TAU KOK ROAD.

A \$162 000 CONTRACT FOR THE WORK HAS BEEN AWARDED TO HUNG YUE AND COMPANY BY THE ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE OF THE BUILDING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

THE SCHOOL OPENED IN 1959 AND HAS 24 CLASSROOMS, FOUR SPECIAL ROOMS, A STAFF ROOM, OFFICES, A COVERED PLAY AREA AND A PLAYGROUND.

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MORE PARKING METERS

THIRTY-FOUR, TWO-HOUR PARKING METERS WILL BE INSTALLED IN HAU WONG ROAD BETWEEN CARPENTER ROAD AND NGA TSIN WAI ROAD.

THE PARKING METERS WILL START TO OPERATE FROM WEDNESDAY (JULY 18) AT A CHARGE OF \$1 FOR EVERY 30 MINUTES.

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NO RIGHT TURN

FROM 10 AM ON WEDNESDAY (JULY 18), VEHICLES ON AUSTIN ROAD EASTBOUND WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM TURNING RIGHT INTO NATHAN ROAD SOUTHBOUND.

THE MEASURE WILL LAST FOR ABOUT TWO MONTHS TO FACILITATE WATER MAINS WORK.

TRAFFIC ON AUSTIN ROAD EASTBOUND HEADING FOR NATHAN ROAD SOUTHBOUND SHOULD PROCEED VIA PINE TREE HILL ROAD AND HILLWOOD ROAD DURING THE PERIOD.

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MONG KOK TAPS OFF

FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN MONG KOK WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 11 PM ON THURSDAY (JULY 19) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR LEAKAGE TESTS.

THE AFFECTED PREMISES ARE BOUNDED BY YIM PO FONG STREET, WATERLOO ROAD, SHANGHAI STREET, NELSON STREET AND DUNDAS STREET, INCLUDING NATHAN ROAD, PITT STREET AND KWONG WA STREET.

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WATER FIGURES

STORAGE IN HONG KONG'S RESERVOIRS AT 9 AM TODAY (MONDAY) STOOD AT 81.5 PER CENT OF CAPACITY OR 477.788 MILLION CUBIC METRES.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR THE RESERVOIRS CONTAINED 510.715 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF WATER, REPRESENTING 87.1 PER CENT OF CAPACITY.

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