



# DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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SEVEN QUESTIONS AT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEETING  
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THE UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL WILL RAISE SEVEN QUESTIONS OF PUBLIC INTEREST AT TOMORROW'S (WEDNESDAY) COUNCIL MEETING.

THE REV. THE HON. JOYCE M. BENNETT WILL ASK THE GOVERNMENT TO STATE HOW MANY CHILDREN ARE UNDER THE CARE AND SUPERVISION OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT BECAUSE THEIR PARENTS ARE CONSIDERED UNFIT TO LOOK AFTER THEM.

SHE WILL ALSO ASK HOW MANY ARE LIVING AT HOME AND IN INSTITUTIONS- HOW OFTEN THEY AND THEIR PARENTS ARE VISITED BY GOVERNMENT SOCIAL WORKERS AND THE NUMBER OF CASE WORKERS AND CASEWORK SUPERVISORS WHO DEAL WITH THESE CHILDREN.

THE HON. ANDREW SO WILL ASK IF THE GOVERNMENT WILL CARRY OUT MORE INSPECTIONS OF THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF CRANES AND OTHER HEAVY CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT AND TAKE ALL REASONABLE MEASURES, INCLUDING PROSECUTIONS, TO MINIMISE THE RISK OF ACCIDENTS ARISING FROM NEGLIGENCE.

THE HON. HILTON CHEONG-LEEN WILL ASK THE GOVERNMENT TO GIVE AN ESTIMATE OF THE PERCENTAGE OF UNROADWORTHY LORRIES AND WHETHER MORE SPOT CHECKS WILL BE MADE TO GET DEFECTIVE LORRIES OFF THE ROAD.

HE WILL ALSO ASK IF THE GOVERNMENT WILL CONDUCT A SURVEY OF NOISE LEVELS IN DISCOTHEQUES TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER THERE IS ANY DANGER OF SOME FORM OF DEAFNESS BEING CAUSED BY PROLONGED EXPOSURE TO SUCH NOISES.

OTHER QUESTIONS TO BE RAISED WILL INCLUDE MEASURES TO REDUCE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS ATTRIBUTABLE TO DEFECTIVE LORRIES, STEPS TO REDUCE EXCESSIVE NOISE BY PILING AND DRILLING MACHINES AND PROVISION OF MORE CREMATORIA.

DURING THE MEETING, SIX BILLS WILL HAVE THEIR FIRST AND SECOND READINGS AND ONE FOR SECOND AND THIRD READINGS.

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FIRST ECONOMIC CENSUS FOR THE BUILDING,  
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE SECTION FOR 1979  
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A NEW SECTION HAS BEEN FORMED IN THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT TO CONDUCT AN ECONOMIC CENSUS EARLY NEXT YEAR OF THE BUILDING, CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE SECTORS FOR 1979.

TWO ECONOMIC CENSUSES HAVE ALREADY BEEN TAKEN ON THE ECONOMIC SECTORS ENGAGED IN MINING, MANUFACTURING, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND WATER, AND WHOLESALE, RETAIL AND IMPORT-EXPORT TRADES, RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (TUESDAY) IN ANNOUNCING THIS.

THESE SECTORS, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED, CONTRIBUTED OVER 53 PER CENT OF HONG KONG'S GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (GDP) IN 1976.

THE NEW ECONOMIC CENSUS WILL COLLECT DATA ON THE TYPE OF OWNERSHIP, EMPLOYMENT, DAYS AND HOURS WORKED, LABOUR AND MATERIAL COSTS, SUB-CONTRACT PAYMENTS, OPERATING EXPENSES, SALES AND RECEIPTS, WORK-IN-PROGRESS, CAPITAL EXPENDITURE, STOCK OF FIXED ASSETS AND SO ON.

TO FACILITATE DATA COLLECTION, THE QUESTIONNAIRE WILL BE ALIGNED AS CLOSELY AS POSSIBLE TO THE TRADE PRACTICE OF ACCOUNTING AND BOOK-KEEPING.

DURING THE NEXT FEW MONTHS, THE DEPARTMENT WILL CARRY OUT A SERIES OF CONSULTATION DISCUSSIONS WITH GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, BUILDING CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATIONS AND SELECTED LAND DEVELOPERS AND REAL ESTATE MANagements.

THE DISCUSSIONS WILL ENABLE A QUESTIONNAIRE AND A TABULATION PROGRAMME TO BE DRAFTED.

IT IS PROPOSED TO CARRY OUT, BY OCTOBER, A PILOT CENSUS TO TEST THE DRAFT QUESTIONNAIRE AND THE OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES.

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SHORT-TERM TENANCY TENDERS

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THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT'S CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE IS INVITING TENDERS BY WAY OF ANNUAL RENTAL FOR A SHORT-TERM TENANCY OF A PIECE OF CROWN LAND AT HOK LO MAIN STREET, KOWLOON CITY, KOWLOON.

THE SITE, MEASURING ABOUT 79 SQUARE METRES, IS FOR STORAGE AND/OR NURSERY GARDEN.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE SAID TODAY (TUESDAY) THAT THE TENANCY WAS FOR AN INITIAL PERIOD OF ONE YEAR, AND THEREAFTER QUARTERLY.

TENDERS FORMS, NOTICE AND CONDITIONS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM, AND TENDER PLAN INSPECTED AT, THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, MURRAY BUILDING, 19TH FLOOR, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG AND AT THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 405 NATHAN ROAD, 10TH FLOOR, KOWLOON.

CLOSING DATE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF TENDERS IS NOON ON MARCH 30, 1979.

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TWO DEATH SENTENCES COMMUTED

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TWO DEATH SENTENCES WERE COMMUTED TODAY (TUESDAY) BY THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE, AFTER TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THE ADVICE OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

THE DEATH SENTENCE PASSED ON FUNG KAP-HUEN, 24, ON JANUARY 4, 1978, FOR THE MURDER OF A RETIRED BUSINESSMAN, CHAN MUK-WING, 83, ON NOVEMBER 23, 1976 AT HIS HOME AT LAM TEI WAS COMMUTED TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT.

AND THE DEATH SENTENCE PASSED ON MAN HONG, 55, ON MARCH 3, 1978, FOR THE MURDER OF CHEUNG KWOK-YAM, AGED ABOUT 40, ON JULY 28, 1977, AT A HOUSE IN WESTERN DISTRICT WAS COMMUTED TO IMPRISONMENT FOR 15 YEARS.

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'HEALTH OF THE ELDERLY' EXHIBITION

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A THREE-DAY +HEALTH OF THE ELDERLY+ EXHIBITION, WHICH WILL END ON THURSDAY, IS BEING HELD AT QUEEN'S COLLEGE, CAUSEWAY BAY FROM 10 A.M. TO 5 P.M.

THE EXHIBITION, MOUNTED BY THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT'S CENTRAL HEALTH EDUCATION UNIT, IS PART OF THE CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO PROMOTE THE HEALTH OF THE ELDERLY.

ITEMS MAKING UP THE EXHIBITION INCLUDE NUMEROUS ILLUSTRATIONS, DRAWINGS, PHOTOGRAPHS AND CARTOONS.

THERE ARE ALSO SLIDE SHOWS ON FOOD AND NUTRITION, EXERCISE AND POSTURE FOR THE ELDERLY AND CARE OF THE EYES, EAR AND ORAL HYGIENE OF THE ELDERLY.

FREE COPIES OF +HEALTH OF THE ELDERLY+ MANUAL ARE DISTRIBUTED AT THE EXHIBITION.

SIMILAR EXHIBITIONS WILL BE HELD AT THE PRINCESS ALEXANDRA COMMUNITY CENTRE, TSUEN WAN, FROM NEXT MONDAY TO THURSDAY (MARCH 19 TO 21), AT YUEN LONG TOWN HALL FROM MARCH 27 TO 29, AND AT THE KWUN TONG COMMUNITY CENTRE FROM APRIL 3 TO 4.

THE MAIN OBJECTIVES OF THE CAMPAIGN ARE:

- \* TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ON WHAT IS NORMAL HEALTH IN OLD AGE AND THE PROCESS OF AGEING=
- \* TO IMPART KNOWLEDGE TO THE PUBLIC ABOUT THE VARIOUS FACTORS LEADING TO ILL HELATH IN THE ELDERLY=
- \* TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ON HOW TO OBTAIN OPTIMAL PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON THE PREVENTION AND EARLY DETECTION OF DISEASES IN THE OLD AGE GROUP= AND
- \* TO INFORM THE PUBLIC ON THE AVAILABILITY AND THE USE OF EXISTING HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES.

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### YUEN LONG EXHIBITION CLOSES

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THE PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION --- +YUEN LONG: THE SPIRIT OF PROGRESS+ --- WHICH HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF WALES OPENED WITH HIS VISIT TO THE DISTRICT JUST OVER A WEEK AGO CLOSED TODAY (TUESDAY) WITH REMARKABLE RESULTS.

IN EIGHT DAYS, IT ATTRACTED MORE THAN 25,000 VISITORS, MOST OF THEM LOCAL PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO FOUND THE EXHIBITION +HIGHLY INFORMATIVE AND EDUCATIONAL.+

+WE ARE ABSOLUTELY DELIGHTED WITH THE EXCELLENT PUBLIC RESPONSE TO AN EXHIBITION OF SUCH A LOCALISED NATURE,+ A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION SAID.

+IT DREW CROWDS NOT ONLY FROM YUEN LONG ITSELF BUT ALSO OTHER PARTS OF THE NEW TERRITORIES.+

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE POPULARITY OF THE EXHIBITION CLEARLY REFLECTED THE GROWING PUBLIC INTEREST IN GOVERNMENT'S \$726 MILLION DEVELOPMENT PLANS FOR THE NEW TOWN.

+IT IS HOPED THAT THIS INTEREST WILL LAST TO GIVE STRONG BACKING TO THE GOVERNMENT FOR THE PROJECTS IT WILL UNDERTAKE IN THE YEARS TO COME,+ HE ADDED.

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### PRINCE CHARLES ON CAMERA

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ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE FOR PEOPLE TO OBTAIN OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN DURING THE VISIT TO HONG KONG OF HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF WALES.

HIS ENGAGEMENTS WERE COVERED EXTENSIVELY BY PHOTOGRAPHERS OF THE GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICES AND BLACK AND WHITE PRINTS CAN NOW BE ORDERED FROM THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GENERAL POST OFFICE BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE, HONG KONG.

A SET OF CONTACT PRINTS, FROM WHICH CUSTOMERS CAN MAKE THEIR OWN SELECTION, IS AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING AT THE CENTRE AND ORDER FORMS CAN BE OBTAINED ON REQUEST FROM THE COUNTER STAFF.

THE CHARGES FOR MAKING PRINTS RANGE FROM \$6 FOR 5 X 7 INCHES (OR UNDER) TO \$40 FOR 16 X 20 INCHES AND ARE PAYABLE IN ADVANCE.

ORDERS WILL BE DEALT WITH AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE BUT, IN VIEW OF OTHER DARKROOM COMMITMENTS, IT MAY TAKE ABOUT A WEEK TO PRODUCE PRINTS.

CUSTOMERS WILL BE NOTIFIED WHEN THE PHOTOGRAPHS THEY HAVE ORDERED ARE READY FOR COLLECTION.

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NT LIQUOR LICENSING BOARD TO MEET ON THURSDAY

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THE NEW TERRITORIES LIQUOR LICENSING BOARD WILL HOLD A MEETING ON THURSDAY ON LICENCE APPLICATIONS.

THE APPLICATIONS COMPRISE FOUR FOR NEW LICENCES, 26 FOR RENEWAL AND THREE TRANSFERS.

MR. GRAHAME FLETCHER, BOARD SECRETARY, SAID TODAY (TUESDAY) THE BOARD WILL ALSO HEAR AN OBJECTION TO THE ISSUE OF A NEW LICENCE IN YUEN LONG.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THE MEETING TO BE HELD AT NOON IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION HEADQUARTERS ON THE FOURTH FLOOR OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY BUILDING, 101 PRINCESS MARGARET ROAD, KOWLOON.

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TWO BUILDINGS DECLARED DANGEROUS

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THE BUILDING AUTHORITY TODAY (TUESDAY) DECLARED NOS. 1 AND 3 CENTRE STREET, HONG KONG, TO BE IN A DANGEROUS CONDITION.

IN A STATEMENT ISSUED THIS MORNING, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE OFFICE SAID THESE FOUR-STOREY PRE-WAR BUILDINGS HAD BEEN UNDER OBSERVATION FOR SEVERAL YEARS IN VIEW OF THEIR GENERALLY DILAPIDATED CONDITION.

DURING A RECENT INSPECTION, HE SAID, IT WAS NOTED THE BRICKWORK WAS IN VERY POOR CONDITION, BEING BADLY ERODED AND FRACTURED IN MANY PLACES.

+FURTHERMORE, THE REINFORCED CONCRETE THROUGHOUT THE BUILDINGS IS IN AN ADVANCED STATE OF DETERIORATION. AS THERE IS NOW A SERIOUS RISK OF COLLAPSE THE CLOSURE AND DEMOLITION OF THESE BUILDINGS IS NECESSARY,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

NOTICES OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR CLOSURE ORDERS IN VICTORIA DISTRICT COURT AT 9.30 A.M. ON APRIL 10 WERE POSTED TODAY.

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NEW TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN TSUEN WAN

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NEW TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE INTRODUCED IN TSUEN WAN FROM 10 A.M. ON FRIDAY FOR ABOUT NINE MONTHS.

THIS IS TO FACILITATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN UNDERGROUND CULVERT AT SHING MUN ROAD.

MOTORISTS ARE ADVISED, DURING THIS PERIOD, TO NOTE THE FOLLOWING CHANGES:

- \* THE SECTION OF SHING MUN ROAD BETWEEN CASTLE PEAK ROAD AND KWOK SHUI ROAD WILL BE RE-ROUTED ONE WAY SOUTHBOUND-
- \* THE TEMPORARY LINK ROAD BETWEEN CASTLE PEAK ROAD AND KWOK SHUI ROAD ACROSS TAI WO HAU PARK --- ABOUT 150 METRES EAST OF THE CASTLE PEAK ROAD-TEXACO ROAD JUNCTION --- WILL BE OPENED TO TRAFFIC-

ALL VEHICLES (INCLUDING FRANCHISED BUSES) TRAVELLING ALONG CASTLE PEAK ROAD WISHING TO PROCEED TO SHING MUN ROAD WILL BE DIVERTED TO THIS NEW LINK ROAD NORTHBOUND AND TO REJOIN KWOK SHUI ROAD WESTBOUND AND THEN TURN RIGHT TO SHING MUN ROAD NORTHBOUND.

- \* VEHICLES WILL BE PROHIBITED TO TURN RIGHT FROM THE LINK ROAD TO KWOK SHUI ROAD-
- \* MOTORISTS TRAVELLING ON CASTLE PEAK ROAD WISHING TO GET ACCESS TO THE KWOK SHUI ROAD SECTION BETWEEN THE LINK ROAD AND LEI MUK ROAD, WILL HAVE TO TRAVEL VIA CASTLE PEAK ROAD, LEI MUK ROAD AND THEN TURN LEFT TO KWOK SHUI ROAD WESTBOUND-
- \* THE BUS STOP PRESENTLY LOCATED ON SHING MUN ROAD IN FRONT OF CARITAS FOR NORTHBOUND KMB ROUTES NO. 32, 32A, 32B AND 36 WILL BE TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED. A NEW BUS STOP FOR ROUTES NO. 32, 32A AND 32B WILL BE PROVIDED ON SHING MUN ROAD (OPPOSITE THE TSUEN WAN VEGETABLE MARKETING CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY), ABOUT 46 METRES NORTH OF THE SHING MUN ROAD-KWOK SHUI ROAD JUNCTION.
- \* BUS ROUTE NO. 36 FROM THE TSUEN WAN FERRY PIER TO LEI MUK SHUE, WILL BE DIVERTED AT THE CASTLE PEAK ROAD-SHING MUN ROAD JUNCTION TO TRAVEL VIA CASTLE PEAK ROAD, LEI MUK ROAD TO REJOIN WO YI HOP ROAD.

THE BUS STOPS FOR THIS ROUTE ON KWOK SHUI ROAD WILL BE TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED AND REPROVISIONED AT THE EXISTING EASTBOUND BUS STOPS ON THE CASTLE PEAK ROAD SECTION BETWEEN SHING MUN ROAD AND LEI MUK ROAD.

TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE SET UP IN THE AFFECTED AREAS TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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NEW WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION UNIT BRANCH OFFICE  
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A NEW BRANCH OFFICE WAS OPENED BY THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT FOR ITS WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION UNIT THIS (TUESDAY) MORNING IN NGAU TAU KOK, KWUN TONG.

THE OFFICE, ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF YEN HAU MANSION, 100 TING FU STREET, ALSO SERVES THE KWUN TONG, YAU TONG, SAU MAU PING, LAM TIN, RENNIE'S MILL, JORDAN VALLEY, NGAU TAU KOK, NGAU CHI WAN, TZE WAN SHAN, DIAMOND HILL, SAN PO KONG, SAI KUNG AND HANG HAU AREAS.

ITS MAIN WORK IS TO PROCESS EMPLOYMENT INJURY CASES AS WELL AS ADVISE EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES ON THEIR RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ORDINANCE.

THE TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR ENQUIRIES IS 3-441443.

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PHOTOGRAPH OF SECRETARY FOR INFORMATION  
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COPIES OF A PHOTOGRAPH OF THE SECRETARY FOR INFORMATION, MR. DAVID FORD, ARE AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION FROM G.I.S. PRESS BOXES, FIFTH FLOOR, BEACONSFIELD HOUSE, THIS (TUESDAY) EVENING.

THE NEW PHOTOGRAPH IS FOR YOUR RECORD AND EDITORIAL USE. IT WOULD BE MOST APPRECIATED IF, WHEN THE OCCASION ARISES, THE NEW PHOTOGRAPH IS USED INSTEAD OF THE OLD ONES.

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WATER CUT  
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THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT TODAY (TUESDAY) ANNOUNCED THAT WATER SUPPLY IN HUNG HOM WILL BE TURNED OFF FROM 1 A.M. TO 6 A.M. ON FRIDAY FOR NIGHT LEAKAGE TESTS.

THE AFFECTED AREA IS BOUNDED BY LOK SHAN ROAD, KAU PUI LUNG ROAD, TIN KWONG ROAD, FARM ROAD, MA TAU WAI ROAD, MA TAU KOK ROAD, AND PAU CHUNG STREET INCLUDING SHEUNG HEUNG ROAD, HUNG KWONG STREET, MA HANG CHUNG ROAD, SAN SHAN ROAD, HOP YAT ROAD AND MAIDSTONE LANE.

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