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VISITORS TO GET FREE PUBLICATIONS IN EXPO'93

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VISITORS TO THE FORTHCOMING EDUCATION AND CAREERS EXPO'93 WILL BE ABLE TO OBTAIN FREE PUBLICATIONS PRINTED BY THE ORGANISERS TO FACILITATE THEIR TOUR OF THE EXPOSITION AND TO BROADEN THEIR KNOWLEDGE OF CHOOSING CAREERS.

MORE THAN 150,000 COPIES OF A GUIDE MAP CONTAINING EASY REFERENCE TO VARIOUS EXHIBITION BOOTHS AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION OF THE EXHIBITORS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO VISITORS DURING THE EXHIBITION.

IN ADDITION, TENS OF THOUSANDS OF COPIES OF A CAREERS PAMPHLET WILL BE GIVEN AWAY TO VISITORS, PROVIDING THEM WITH ADVICE ON CHOOSING CAREERS.

THE EXPOSITION, WHICH WILL RUN FROM FEBRUARY 18 TO FEBRUARY 21, IS A COMBINATION OF EDUCATION AND CAREERS EXHIBITIONS BEING ORGANISED BY THE HONG KONG TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL AND THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT.

"THROUGH VARIOUS DISPLAYS, AUDIO-VISUAL AIDS AND MICRO-COMPUTERS, AS WELL AS ON-THE-SPOT ENQUIRY SERVICE, VISITORS WILL BE ABLE TO SEEK LATEST INFORMATION ON LOCAL AND OVERSEAS EDUCATION AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES AS WELL AS CAREERS DEVELOPMENT IN VARIOUS TRADES AND IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR," SENIOR LABOUR OFFICER MRS CLARE SIU SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

THE EDUCATION EXHIBITION WILL FEATURE SOME 120 EXHIBITORS FROM LOCAL AND OVERSEAS UNIVERSITIES, POLYTECHNICS, COLLEGES, SCHOOLS AND TRAINING INSTITUTES, PROVIDING A FULL RANGE OF DISPLAYS ON EDUCATIONAL AND VOCATIONAL OPTIONS TO YOUNG PEOPLE.

THE 66 EXHIBITORS IN THE CAREERS EXHIBITION WILL HELP VISITORS TO IDENTIFY THE CAREER PATHS BEST SUITED TO THEIR INTERESTS AND ABILITIES.

"FOR MANY YOUNG PEOPLE, EXPO'93 WILL GIVE THEM THE FIRST OPPORTUNITY TO THINK SERIOUSLY ABOUT A CAREER," MRS SIU SAID.

"THROUGHOUT THE FOUR-DAY EXPOSITION, THERE WILL BE A TOTAL OF 76 EDUCATION AND CAREERS SEMINARS BY PROFESSIONALS FROM VARIOUS TRADES AND EDUCATION ORGANISATIONS.

"THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT HAS INVITED ALL SECONDARY SCHOOLS TO VISIT THE EXPOSITION. GROUP VISITS FOR ABOUT 10,000 STUDENTS FROM MORE THAN 90 SCHOOLS HAVE BEEN ARRANGED," MRS SIU ADDED.

VIDEO SHOWS OFFERING LATEST INFORMATION ON A WIDE RANGE OF CAREERS SUCH AS BANKING, TELECOMMUNICATIONS, TOURISM, MASS COMMUNICATION AND THE CIVIL SERVICE WILL BE PRESENTED EVERY HOUR THROUGHOUT THE EVENT.

THE EXPOSITION, TO BE HELD ON LEVEL 7 OF THE HONG KONG CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTRE IN WAN CHAI, WILL BE OPEN FROM 10.30 AM TO 7 PM ON FEBRUARY 18 AND FROM 9.30 AM TO 7 PM FROM FEBRUARY 19 TO 21. ADMISSION IS FREE.

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DONATION FOR HOSTELS FOR NEEDY

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THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB HAS DONATED \$15.6 MILLION TO PROVIDE FOR FIVE URBAN HOSTELS FOR THE NEEDY, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

THESE HOSTELS WILL BE SET UP IN CHEUNG SHA WAN, LOK FU, MONG KOK, YAU MA TEI AND CHAI WAN.

"THEY WILL PROVIDE THE MUCH NEEDED SHORT-TERM ACCOMMODATION IN THE URBAN AREA FOR BEDSPACE APARTMENT LODGERS AFFECTED BY RE-DEVELOPMENT, AS WELL AS FOR STREET-SLEEPERS, PARTICULARLY THE ELDERLY AND DISABLED," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"MANY STREET-SLEEPERS AND BEDSPACE APARTMENT LODGERS WISH TO LIVE IN THE OLDER URBAN AREAS BECAUSE THEY HAVE ESTABLISHED SOCIAL TIES THERE.

"MANY ALSO WISH TO LIVE NEAR THEIR PLACE OF WORK. IT IS NOT UNCOMMON THAT STREET-SLEEPERS AND BEDSPACE APARTMENT LODGERS REJECT OFFERS OF PUBLIC HOUSING IN THE NEW TERRITORIES AND CHOOSE TO STAY ON STREETS OR IN OVERCROWDED APARTMENTS," HE ADDED.

THESE HOSTELS ARE THEREFORE SET UP TO ACCOMMODATE SINGLE PERSONS IN VARIOUS URBAN DISTRICTS WHO ARE ELDERLY AND DISABLED STREET-SLEEPERS OR BEDSPACE APARTMENT LODGERS AFFECTED BY PRIVATE RE-DEVELOPMENT.

"EACH HOSTEL WILL BE RUN BY A NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANISATION ON A SELF-FINANCING BASIS AND WILL ACCOMMODATE ABOUT 30 TO 40 PEOPLE," HE NOTED.

THE FIRST HOSTEL IN CHEUNG SHA WAN IS NOW READY FOR OCCUPATION AND THE SECOND ONE IN CHAI WAN IS TO OPEN LATER THIS YEAR.

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INDUSTRIALISTS URGED TO EXPRESS VIEWS ON REFORMS

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THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR STEVE BARCLAY, TODAY (SUNDAY) CALLED ON INDUSTRIALISTS TO PUT FORWARD THEIR VIEWS ON THE ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR 1994/95.

SPEAKING AT THE SPRING RECEPTION DINNER OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT INDUSTRIALISTS' ASSOCIATION, HE SAID GOOD PROGRESS WAS BEING MADE ON DRAFTING RELEVANT LEGISLATION.

THE BOUNDARY AND ELECTION COMMISSION BILL, HE ADDED, HAD BEEN TABLED TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL FOR FIRST AND SECOND READINGS AND THE OTHER RELATED BILLS WOULD BE GAZETTED LATER THIS MONTH.

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HE SAID IT WAS ESSENTIAL FOR ALL SECTORS OF THE COMMUNITY TO EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS AFTER THE PUBLICATION OF THE BILLS.

"ONLY BY DOING SO CAN WE ENSURE THAT THE ARRANGEMENTS MADE ARE ACCEPTABLE TO THE COMMUNITY," HE SAID.

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2,000 CHILDREN HAVE A JOYFUL FAMILY DAY

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ABOUT 2,000 CHILDREN OF THE GOVERNMENT SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT STAFF SPENT AN AFTERNOON OF JOY AND FUN WITH THEIR PARENTS AT THE DEPARTMENT'S ANNUAL FAMILY DAY TODAY (SUNDAY).

THE EVENT WAS HELD AT THE DEPARTMENT'S HEADQUARTERS IN OIL STREET, NORTH POINT.

THIS YEAR'S PARTY STARTED WITH THE DOTTING OF A "LION'S EYE" BY THE DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT SUPPLIES, MR BILLY LAM CHUNG-LUN.

THIS WAS FOLLOWED BY A LION DANCE PERFORMED BY MEMBERS OF THE LIFE GUARDS OF THE AUXILIARY MEDICAL SERVICES.

OTHER PROGRAMMES INCLUDED SIDE-SHOWS, STALL GAMES, ROYAL HONG KONG REGIMENT'S DISPLAY, KARAOKE COMPETITION, LABYRINTH, A POP SONG PERFORMANCE AND A BICYCLE DEMONSTRATION.

THE AUXILIARY MEDICAL SERVICES BAND AND THE TAI TAM GIRL PIPERS AND MARCHING TEAM ALSO PLAYED MUSIC FOR THE PARTICIPANTS.

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