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EDUCATION REPORT PUBLISHED FOR CONSULTATION
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THE EDUCATION COMMISSION'S REPORT NO. 2 WAS PUBLISHED TODAY (TUESDAY) FOR PUBLIC CONSULTATION.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT COPIES OF THE REPORT WOULD BE DISTRIBUTED TO SCHOOLS, EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES.

+THE EDUCATION COMMISSION WILL WELCOME COMMENTS ON ALL ASPECTS OF THE REPORT DURING THE THREE-MONTH CONSULTATION PERIOD+, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE EDUCATION COMMISSION, WHICH MEETS UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF MR LEE QUO-WEI, HAS BEEN WORKING ON THE REPORT SINCE EARLY LAST YEAR.

+THE REPORT DISCUSSES IN DETAIL A WIDE RANGE OF IMPORTANT EDUCATIONAL ISSUES, INCLUDING PRE-PRIMARY SERVICES, THE DEVELOPMENT OF SIXTH FORM EDUCATION, TEACHER PREPARATION, OPEN EDUCATION AND THE FINANCING OF EDUCATION+.

+IT MAKES MORE THAN 100 RECOMMENDATIONS RELATING TO THESE AND OTHER ISSUES+, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

THE SPOKESMAN HIGHLIGHTED THE FOLLOWING MAJOR RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE REPORT:-

PRE-PRIMARY SERVICES:

AN IMPROVED FEE ASSISTANCE SCHEME TO SUPPORT HIGHER SALARIES FOR KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS IS RECOMMENDED IN CHAPTER V OF THE REPORT.

IN THE COMMISSION'S VIEW, THIS WILL ENCOURAGE BOTH THE SEEKING OF TRAINING BY THE TEACHERS AND AN IMPROVED TEACHING STAFF STRUCTURE IN KINDERGARTENS.

THE REPORT OUTLINES A PROGRAMME OF TEACHER PREPARATION TO ENSURE THAT AN ADEQUATE NUMBER OF TRAINED KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS ARE AVAILABLE AND RECOMMENDS THE UNIFICATION OF ALL PRE-PRIMARY SERVICES.

SIXTH FORM EDUCATION:

IN CHAPTER VI OF THE REPORT, THE COMMISSION RECOMMENDS AN INTEGRATED SIXTH FORM CURRICULUM, THE ABOLITION OF THE HONG KONG HIGHER LEVEL EXAMINATION AND THE INTRODUCTION OF A NEW INTERMEDIATE (I) LEVEL EXAMINATION, BASED ON A CURRICULUM DERIVED FROM THE HONG KONG ADVANCED (A) LEVEL EXAMINATION.

THE COMMISSION SUGGESTS THAT BOTH A AND I LEVEL EXAMINATIONS SHOULD BE AVAILABLE IN CHINESE AS WELL AS ENGLISH AND THAT NEW SUBJECTS OF A LESS ACADEMIC NATURE SHOULD BE DEVELOPED AT BOTH LEVELS, IN ORDER TO BROADEN THE CURRICULUM.

/THE COMMISSION

THE COMMISSION FURTHER RECOMMENDS THAT SIXTH FORM COURSES SHOULD BE EXTENDED TO ALL PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS, AND THAT ALL SCHOOLS WHICH AT PRESENT OFFER ONLY ONE-YEAR SIXTH FORM COURSES SHOULD DEVELOP A FORM 7.

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS IN THIS CHAPTER INCLUDE THE DEVELOPMENT OF SIXTH FORM STUDIES IN ENGLISH AND CHINESE AND A CENTRALISED ADMISSIONS SYSTEM FOR POST-SECONDARY ENTRANCE.

TEACHER PREPARATION:

IN CHAPTER VII OF THE REPORT, THE COMMISSION RECOMMENDS THAT 90 PER CENT OF GRADUATE TEACHERS SHOULD EVENTUALLY BE TRAINED, AND THAT 80 PER CENT OF GRADUATE TEACHERS SHOULD BE TRAINED BY 1994.

THE COMMISSION REAFFIRMS ITS SUPPORT FOR THE INTRODUCTION OF A BACHELOR OF ARTS IN PRIMARY EDUCATION PROGRAMME FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL HEADS, PROPOSES THAT A SIMILAR COURSE FOR THE HEADS OF SPECIAL SCHOOLS SHOULD BE INTRODUCED AND RECOMMENDS NEW DEGREE COURSES FOR TEACHERS OF TECHNICAL, PRACTICAL AND CULTURAL SUBJECTS.

ALSO RECOMMENDED ARE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE EXISTING IN-SERVICE TRAINING FOR TEACHERS OF CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS.

OPEN EDUCATION:

THE COMMISSION RECOMMENDS IN CHAPTER VIII THAT, AT THE POST-SECONDARY LEVEL, A COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAMME OF OPEN EDUCATION THROUGH DISTANCE LEARNING SHOULD BE DEVELOPED.

THE PROGRAMME WOULD BE OPERATED BY A CONSORTIUM, IN WHICH ALL THE FIVE INSTITUTIONS FUNDED BY THE UNIVERSITY AND POLYTECHNIC GRANTS COMMITTEE WOULD BE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE.

THE CONSORTIUM WOULD ARRANGE COURSES, INITIALLY USING MATERIAL ACQUIRED FROM OVERSEAS.

THE OBJECTIVE WOULD BE FOR THE PROGRAMME TO BE SELF-FINANCING AND TO COVER ALL LEVELS OF POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION UP TO HIGHER DEGREE LEVEL.

THE COMMISSION ALSO RECOMMENDS THAT THE ADVICE OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE FOR ACADEMIC AWARDS BE SOUGHT ON GUIDELINES TO BE USED FOR THE VALIDATION OF DISTANCE LEARNING COURSES OFFERED LOCALLY BY OVERSEAS INSTITUTIONS.

AMALGAMATION OF THE PRESENT GOVERNMENT SECONDARY SCHOOL COURSES FOR ADULTS INTO A SINGLE FIVE-YEAR COURSE AND INTRODUCTION OF A SIXTH FORM COURSE ARE ALSO RECOMMENDED AND THE COMMISSION SUGGESTS THAT A PILOT SCHEME FOR REGIONAL CENTRES FOR ADULT EDUCATION SHOULD BE DEVELOPED.

FINANCING OF EDUCATION:

IN CHAPTER IX, THE COMMISSION RECOMMENDS THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SERIES OF MODELS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND TESTING OF STRATEGIES FOR THE FINANCING OF EDUCATION BY THE GOVERNMENT.

THE GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN NOTED THAT A CHINESE TRANSLATION OF THE REPORT IS IN THE FINAL STAGES OF PREPARATION AND THAT PRINTED COPIES OF THIS WOULD BE READY IN A FEW WEEKS' TIME.

ALL VIEWS AND COMMENTS ON THE REPORT SHOULD BE SENT TO THE SECRETARY TO THE EDUCATION COMMISSION, EDUCATION AND MANPOWER BRANCH, THIRD FLOOR, EAST WING, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, HONG KONG, BY THE END OF DECEMBER THIS YEAR.

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NINE NOMINATED FOR LAB ELECTION

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NINE CANDIDATES HAVE BEEN NOMINATED FOR ELECTION AS EMPLOYEES' REPRESENTATIVES TO THE LABOUR ADVISORY BOARD.

THEY ARE:

- * MR LEE HOI-TONG OF HONG KONG GARMENT INDUSTRY FREE WORKERS GENERAL UNION
- * MR WONG WAI-HUNG OF ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENT LAND AND ENGINEERING SURVEYING OFFICERS
- * MR PUN TIN-CHI OF HONG KONG PROFESSIONAL TEACHERS' UNION
- * MR CHEUNG KWOK-BIU OF HONG KONG CIVIL SERVANTS GENERAL UNION
- * MR CHAN YUN-CHE OF HONG KONG AND KOWLOON MOTOR CAR DRIVERS GENERAL UNION
- * MR JOHN STOVE LAMBOURN OF MARINE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION, AND ALSO OF THE ASSOCIATION OF EXPATRIATE CIVIL SERVANTS OF HONG KONG
- * MR CHENG PAK-KWAN OF MARINE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION
- * MISS LI FUNG-YING OF HONG KONG AND KOWLOON ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY EMPLOYEES' GENERAL UNION
- * MR CHENG YIU-TONG OF HONG KONG UNION OF CHINESE WORKERS IN WESTERN STYLE EMPLOYMENT

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A LABOUR DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID ALL CANDIDATES WERE NOMINATED BY THEIR RESPECTIVE UNION.

+OUT OF THE NINE CANDIDATES, FOUR WILL BE ELECTED TO THE BOARD FOR TWO YEARS FROM 1987,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

+ALL REGISTERED EMPLOYEES' TRADE UNIONS WILL BE INVITED TO APPOINT NOT MORE THAN TWO PERSONS AS AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND THE ELECTION.

+ELECTION BY SECRET BALLOT WILL TAKE PLACE AT QUEEN ELIZABETH SCHOOL ON OCTOBER 24.+

THE LABOUR ADVISORY BOARD IS A NON-STATUTORY TRIPARTITE BODY RESPONSIBLE FOR ADVISING THE COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR ON LABOUR MATTERS, INCLUDING LEGISLATION AND THE APPLICATION OF INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONVENTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

IT COMPRISES SIX EMPLOYEES' REPRESENTATIVES AND SIX EMPLOYERS' REPRESENTATIVES WITH THE COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR AS CHAIRMAN.

FOUR OF THE EMPLOYEES' REPRESENTATIVES ARE ELECTED BY REGISTERED EMPLOYEES' TRADE UNIONS AND FOUR EMPLOYERS' REPRESENTATIVES NOMINATED BY THE FOUR MAJOR EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATIONS - EMPLOYERS' FEDERATION OF HONG KONG, HONG KONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, CHINESE MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION OF HONG KONG AND FEDERATION OF HONG KONG INDUSTRIES.

THE OTHER MEMBERS ARE DIRECTLY APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR.

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DEADLINE NEARS FOR CIVIC EDUCATION SUBSIDIES

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COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS WISHING TO OBTAIN A SUBSIDY FOR ORGANISING CIVIC EDUCATION PROJECTS SHOULD APPLY NOW TO THE COMMITTEE ON PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION.

THE COMMITTEE HAD SET ASIDE \$250 000 FOR SUBSIDISING COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION PROJECTS ON CIVIC EDUCATION, WITH A MAXIMUM GRANT OF \$10 000 PER PROJECT.

THE DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION IS SEPTEMBER 30.

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE TODAY (TUESDAY) MET PARTIES INTERESTED IN THE SUBSIDY SCHEME AT A TEA RECEPTION TO EXPLAIN VARIOUS DETAILS AND THE APPLICATION PROCEDURES.

/THE RECEPTION

THE RECEPTION WAS SPREAD OVER TWO SESSIONS AT A HOTEL. REPRESENTATIVES OF EDUCATION BODIES, STUDENT GROUPS, SOCIAL WORKERS AND MEMBERS OF THE JOINT CONFERENCE ON THE PROMOTION OF EDUCATION ATTENDED.

EXPLAINING THE SUBSIDY SCHEME, THE CONVENOR OF THE COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION GROUP OF THE COMMITTEE, MR MAK HOI-WAH, SAID THE AIM WAS TO STIMULATE ORGANISATIONS FROM VARIOUS SECTORS TO PROMOTE CIVIC EDUCATION, AND TO ENCOURAGE ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN SOCIAL AND POLITICAL AFFAIRS.

+THE BASIC CONTENTS OF THESE PROJECTS SHOULD ENABLE PARTICIPANTS TO UNDERSTAND AND PRACTISE 'RESPONSIBLE CITIZENSHIP', TO UNDERSTAND AND UPHOLD CIVIC RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES AND TO UNDERSTAND THE MAJOR ELEMENTS THAT HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO MAKING HONG KONG AN OPEN, COSMOPOLITAN AND MODERN SOCIETY,+ HE SAID.

+IT SHOULD ALSO ENABLE PARTICIPANTS TO HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF POLITICS THUS ENHANCING THE IDEA OF FREEDOM, DEMOCRACY, THE RULE OF LAW AND SOCIAL JUSTICE; TO UNDERSTAND THE DEVELOPMENT AND ASSOCIATED CHANGES AND CHALLENGES THAT WILL TAKE PLACE IN HONG KONG AND TO UNDERSTAND CHINA'S PAST AND PRESENT, TO COMPREHEND HER TRADITION AND CULTURE AND TO BE CONCERNED FOR HER FUTURE DEVELOPMENT.+

EACH APPLICATION WILL BE VETTED AND ASSESSED BY THE COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION GROUP WHICH COMPRISES PRIVATE SECTOR AND GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES.

+IN DECIDING THE SUBSIDY, EACH APPLICATION WILL BE ASSESSED ACCORDING TO THE CONTENT OF THE PROJECT, THE AMOUNT OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE REQUIRED AND THE COST EFFECTIVENESS OF THE PROGRAMME,+ MR MAK SAID.

SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS WILL BE INFORMED BEFORE THE END OF OCTOBER AND, IF NECESSARY, THEY COULD RECEIVE AN ADVANCE PAYMENT OF 50 PER CENT OF THE SUBSIDY.

THE PROJECT MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE THE END OF FEBRUARY NEXT YEAR AND REPORTS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY THE ORGANISERS WITHIN ONE MONTH OF THE COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT.

ALL PROJECTS SUBSIDISED BY THE SCHEME COULD ALSO BE INCLUDED IN AN OUTSTANDING CIVIC EDUCATION PROJECT AWARD SCHEME TO BE HELD NEXT YEAR.

APPLICATION FORMS, TOGETHER WITH DETAILS OF APPLICATION PROCEDURES, ARE OBTAINABLE AT DISTRICT OFFICES. THE FORMS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE GENERAL DIVISION OF THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION HEADQUARTERS, 13/F WORLD SHIPPING CENTRE, 7 CANTON ROAD.

ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE SCHEME CAN BE MADE ON 3-665494 AND 3-669074.

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TIMETABLE FOR LEGCO SITTINGS ANNOUNCED
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THE FIRST SITTING OF THE 1986-87 SESSION OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON OCTOBER 8 (WEDNESDAY) WHEN THE GOVERNOR WILL DELIVER HIS ANNUAL ADDRESS TO THE COUNCIL, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (TUESDAY).

THERE WILL ALSO BE A NUMBER OF TWO-DAY SITTINGS FOR THE DEBATE ON THE MOTION OF THANKS AND FOR THE BUDGET DEBATE. AN EXTRA SITTING MAY BE HELD AT THE END OF THE SESSION TO CLEAR OUTSTANDING BUSINESS, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

THE NEW LEGCO COUNCIL WILL MEET WEEKLY, THE SAME AS FOR THE PREVIOUS SESSION.

FOLLOWING IS THE PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS:

PROVISIONAL DATES OF LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
SITTINGS FOR THE 1986-87 SESSION

WEDNESDAY	OCTOBER 8, 1986	OPENING OF THE 1986-87 SESSION (GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS)
WEDNESDAY	OCTOBER 15, 1986	REGULAR SITTING
(WEDNESDAY	OCTOBER 22, 1986	HOLIDAY FOR QUEEN'S VISIT)
WEDNESDAY	OCTOBER 29, 1986	REGULAR SITTING
WEDNESDAY	NOVEMBER 5, 1986	DEBATE ON MOTION OF THANKS
THURSDAY	NOVEMBER 6, 1986	(UNOFFICIALS SPEAK)
WEDNESDAY	NOVEMBER 12, 1986	REGULAR SITTING
WEDNESDAY	NOVEMBER 19, 1986	''
WEDNESDAY	NOVEMBER 26, 1986	DEBATE ON MOTION OF THANKS
THURSDAY	NOVEMBER 27, 1986	(OFFICIALS SPEAK)
(IF NECESSARY)		
WEDNESDAY	DECEMBER 3, 1986	REGULAR SITTING
WEDNESDAY	DECEMBER 10, 1986	''
(THREE WEEKS' GAP TO CLEAR CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS)		
WEDNESDAY	JANUARY 7, 1987	REGULAR SITTING
WEDNESDAY	JANUARY 14, 1987	''
WEDNESDAY	JANUARY 21, 1987	''

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(THREE WEEKS' GAP TO CLEAR LUNAR NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS)

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 18, 1987 REGULAR SITTING

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 25, 1987 FIRST BUDGET SITTING
(FINANCIAL SECRETARY PRESENTS BUDGET)

WEDNESDAY MARCH 11, 1987 REGULAR SITTING

WEDNESDAY MARCH 18, 1987 SECOND BUDGET SITTING
THURSDAY MARCH 19, 1987 (UNOFFICIALS SPEAK)

WEDNESDAY MARCH 25, 1987 REGULAR SITTING

WEDNESDAY APRIL 1, 1987 THIRD BUDGET SITTING
THURSDAY APRIL 2, 1987 (OFFICIALS SPEAK)
(IF NECESSARY)

WEDNESDAY APRIL 8, 1987 REGULAR SITTING

(THREE WEEKS' GAP TO CLEAR EASTER HOLIDAYS)

WEDNESDAY MAY 6, 1987 FOURTH BUDGET SITTING
(COMMITTEE STAGE AND THIRD READING OF APPROPRIATION BILL)

WEDNESDAY MAY 13, 1987 REGULAR SITTING

WEDNESDAY MAY 20, 1987 . " "

WEDNESDAY MAY 27, 1987 " "

WEDNESDAY JUNE 3, 1987 " "

WEDNESDAY JUNE 10, 1987 " "

WEDNESDAY JUNE 17, 1987 " "

WEDNESDAY JUNE 24, 1987 " "

WEDNESDAY JULY 1, 1987 " "

WEDNESDAY JULY 8, 1987 " "

WEDNESDAY JULY 15, 1987 " "

WEDNESDAY JULY 22, 1987 " "
(IF NECESSARY)

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PUBLIC URGED TO USE PUBLIC TRANSPORT DURING FESTIVAL

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT REMINDED MOTORISTS THAT SPECIAL TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED ON HONG KONG ISLAND TO COPE WITH CROWDS DURING THE MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL ON SEPTEMBER 18 (THURSDAY).

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE ADVISED TO MAKE FULL USE OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT, WHICH WILL BE EXTENDED TO RUN OVERNIGHT OR UNTIL EARLY MORNING ON FRIDAY (SEPTEMBER 19).

PUBLIC TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS

THE MTR AND PEAK TRAMS WILL RUN ALL NIGHT, WHILE TRAM SERVICES, EXCEPT THE ROUTES RUNNING FROM HAPPY VALLEY TO SHAU KEI WAN AND KENNEDY TOWN, WILL BE EXTENDED TO AROUND 2 AM ON FRIDAY.

CMB WILL OPERATE TWO SPECIAL BUS ROUTES TO THE PEAK AREA: 15A RUNNING BETWEEN NORTH POINT FERRY AND THE PEAK FROM 7.30 PM ON THURSDAY TO 4.45 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY; AND 15M OPERATING FROM 8 PM ON THURSDAY TO 2.37 AM THE NEXT MORNING BETWEEN ADMIRALTY MTR STATION AND THE PEAK.

ADDITIONAL SERVICES WILL BE OPERATED ON CMB ROUTES 6, 9, 14, 15, 61 AND 73. ROUTES 70, 72, 90M, 92 AND EXPRESS COACH ROUTE 260 WILL ALSO EXTEND THEIR SERVICES TO FINISH BETWEEN 12.30 AM AND 1.24 AM ON FRIDAY.

IN ADDITION, BUSES ON CMB ROUTE 5B AND CROSS-HARBOUR ROUTES 102, 103, 106, 170 AND 200 WILL HAVE TO DIVERT THEIR ROUTEINGS IN ORDER TO AVOID THE CLOSED ROAD SECTIONS.

MOREOVER, ADDITIONAL SERVICES WILL ALSO BE OPERATED ON NLB ROUTES 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 AND 7 ON LANTAU ISLAND DURING THE FESTIVAL HOLIDAYS.

FOR GREEN MINIBUS SERVICES, ROUTE 1 (CENTRAL TO THE PEAK) WILL RUN UNTIL 4 AM ON FRIDAY, WHILE THE SERVICES OF ROUTES 16M (CHAI WAN MTR STATION TO CHUNG HOM KOK) AND 20 (CHAI WAN FERRY PIER TO SAI WAN HO FERRY PIER) WILL CLOSE AT 12.40 AM ON BOTH FRIDAY AND SATURDAY (SEPTEMBER 20).

ADDITIONAL SERVICES WILL BE PROVIDED ON OUTLYING DISTRICT FERRY ROUTES. IN ORDER TO ACCOMMODATE THE INCREASE IN PASSENGER DEMAND, FROM 6 PM ON THURSDAY THE FERRY SERVICE FROM CENTRAL TO LAMMA ISLAND WILL OPERATE FROM BLAKE PIER INSTEAD OF FROM CENTRAL GOVERNMENT PIER.

HOWEVER, EVENING PEAK-HOUR FERRY SERVICES BETWEEN CENTRAL AND KWUN TONG WILL BE SUSPENDED ON THURSDAY.

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FROM 6.30 PM ON THURSDAY UNTIL 3 AM THE NEXT DAY, THE SECTION OF PEAK ROAD OUTSIDE THE UPPER PEAK TRAM TERMINUS WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL VEHICLES EXCEPT BUSES, COACHES, TAXIS, GREEN MINIBUSES AND THOSE FOR ACCESS TO PREMISES IN MOUNT AUSTIN ROAD, LUGARD AND HARLECH ROADS. ALL OTHER VEHICLES WILL BE DIRECTED TO TURN ROUND OUTSIDE THE VICTORIA GAP CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND AND LEAVE VIA THE PEAK ROAD SLIP ROAD OUTSIDE THE PEAK MANSION.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE ACCESS ROAD WITHIN THE UPPER PEAK TRAM TERMINUS CAR PARK AND TRANSPORT INTERCHANGE WILL BE RE-ROUTED ONE-WAY CLOCKWISE FOR BUSES, COACHES, TAXIS AND GREEN MINIBUSES ONLY. IF NECESSARY, TRAFFIC ON PEAK ROAD AND MAGAZINE GAP ROAD MAY ALSO BE DIVERTED AT ANY TIME.

FROM 2 PM ON THURSDAY UNTIL 3 AM THE NEXT MORNING, ALL METERED PARKING SPACES AND PARKING SPACES FOR PUBLIC BUSES AT THE UPPER PEAK TRAM TERMINUS AND PEAK GARDEN WILL BE SUSPENDED.

IN CAUSEWAY BAY, A NUMBER OF ROADS NEAR VICTORIA PARK WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL TRAFFIC BETWEEN 7 PM ON THURSDAY AND 3 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY.

THESE INCLUDE: GLOUCESTER ROAD BETWEEN INNER GLOUCESTER ROAD AND CAUSEWAY ROAD EXCEPT THE ACCESS FOR NORTHBOUND VEHICLES FROM TAI HANG ROAD FLYOVER HEADING FOR GLOUCESTER ROAD FLYOVER, KINGSTON STREET EAST OF CLEVELAND STREET, PATERSON STREET SOUTH OF KINGSTON STREET, EAST POINT ROAD, GREAT GEORGE STREET, SUGAR STREET, LOCKHART ROAD EAST OF CANNON STREET, KAI CHIU ROAD EAST OF YUN PING ROAD, AND ELECTRIC ROAD BETWEEN HING FAT STREET AND YACHT STREET.

AT THE SAME TIME, LAU LI STREET BETWEEN ELECTRIC ROAD AND HING FAT STREET WILL BE RE-ROUTED ONE-WAY WESTBOUND FOR VEHICLES TO TRAVEL FROM ELECTRIC ROAD TO HING FAT STREET, WHILE CANNON STREET WILL BE RE-ROUTED FROM TWO-WAY TO ONE-WAY NORTHBOUND.

FROM NOON ON THURSDAY UNTIL 3 AM THE NEXT DAY, CERTAIN METERED PARKING SPACES, TAXIS AND PUBLIC LIGHT BUS STANDS IN CAUSEWAY BAY AREA WILL BE SUSPENDED. LEARNER DRIVERS WILL ALSO BE BANNED FROM MOST OF THE ROAD SECTIONS IN THE AREA BETWEEN 7.30 PM AND 11.30 PM ON THURSDAY.

IN CENTRAL, THE SECTION OF PIER ROAD BETWEEN GILMAN STREET AND CENTRAL HARBOUR SERVICES PIER WILL BE CLOSED FROM 1 PM TO MIDNIGHT ON THURSDAY.

/MEANWHILE, BEACH

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MEANWHILE, BEACH ROAD AND SOUTH BAY ROAD IN REPULSE BAY WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC, EXCEPT CMB BUSES AND LOCAL ACCESS VEHICLES, AT ANY TIME IF NECESSARY. ALL PARKING SPACES ALONG BEACH ROAD OPPOSITE TO HOUSE NO. 871 EXCEPT THE TAXI STAND WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 2 PM ON THURSDAY TO 8 PM THE FOLLOWING DAY.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

A MAP OF THE SPECIAL TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN CAUSEWAY BAY WILL BE SENT BY FACSIMILE NETWORK LATER TODAY.

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JUNK BAY TUNNEL APPROACHES PROPOSED
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THE TERRITORY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT IS PROPOSING TO CONSTRUCT THE EASTERN APPROACHES TO THE JUNK BAY TUNNEL.

THE APPROACHES ARE ABOUT 1.4 KILOMETRES LONG AND WILL RUN FROM THE EASTERN END OF THE TUNNEL TO LINK UP WITH THE PROPOSED ROAD NETWORK IN JUNK BAY NEW TOWN.

THE ROAD WILL BE DUAL CARRIAGEWAY PROVIDING TWO LANES DOWNHILL AND THREE UPHILL.

THE PROJECT WILL INCLUDE AN 18-METRE-LONG BRIDGE OVER PO LAM ROAD, THE TSUENG KWAN O VIADUCT WHICH WILL BE 200 METRES LONG AND ANOTHER 200-METRE-LONG VIADUCT AT THE LOWER END OF THE APPROACHES.

ALSO INCLUDED WILL BE ANCILLARY WORKS SUCH AS FOOTPATHS, AN UNDERPASS, NOISE BARRIERS AND LANDSCAPING WORKS.

A NOTICE ABOUT THE PROPOSED WORKS HAS BEEN PUBLISHED IN THE LATEST GAZETTE.

OBJECTIONS SHOULD REACH THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT BY NOVEMBER 11.

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ILLEGAL STRUCTURES CLEARED IN KWUN TONG
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A TOTAL OF 47 ILLEGAL STRUCTURES AT HORSE SHOE LANE IN KWUN TONG WERE CLEARED TODAY (TUESDAY) AS PART OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME.

IT WAS INITIATED BY THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AND JOINTLY CARRIED OUT BY THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT OFFICE, THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT, THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT, THE POLICE AND THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT.

SITUATED IN THE TOWN AREA, 33 ILLEGAL STRUCTURES WERE FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES, WHILE THE REMAINING 14 STRUCTURES WERE DOMESTIC UNITS.

OF THE PEOPLE AFFECTED, FOUR WERE RESETTLED IN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES, WHILE 16 PEOPLE WERE ALLOCATED TEMPORARY HOUSING UNITS.

EX-GRATIA ALLOWANCES TOTALLING \$72 120.75 WERE ALSO GRANTED TO ELIGIBLE SHOP-OPERATORS.

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VIEWS OF WOMEN WORKERS BEING SOUGHT
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MEMBERS OF THE INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE OF THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD WILL BE BRIEFED ON THE PROGRESS OF A SURVEY ON THE CONDITIONS OF WORK FOR FEMALE WORKERS IN TSUEN WAN AT A COMMITTEE MEETING TO BE HELD ON THURSDAY (SEPTEMBER 18).

THE COMMITTEE COMMISSIONED THE SURVEY TO FIND OUT THE ATTITUDES AND OPINIONS OF FEMALE WORKERS CONCERNING THEIR EMPLOYMENT.

REPORTS ON WORKING GROUPS ON LIAISON WITH COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL SECTORS AND THE WORKING POPULATION WILL ALSO BE DISCUSSED.

AN EXPLANATORY PAPER FROM THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT WITH INFORMATION ON SAMPLING METHODS USED BY GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS IN CONDUCTING SURVEYS ON INDUSTRIAL ESTABLISHMENTS WILL BE TABLED FOR THE INFORMATION OF MEMBERS.

THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT OFFICE ON THE FIRST FLOOR OF TSUEN WAN STATION MULTI-STOREY CARPARK BUILDING, 174-208 CASTLE PEAK ROAD, TSUEN WAN.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING.

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TAI PO COMMITTEE VISITS PINEHILL VILLAGE

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MEMBERS OF THE TAI PO DISTRICT BOARD'S SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE THIS (TUESDAY) MORNING VISITED PINEHILL VILLAGE WHICH PROVIDES EDUCATIONAL AND VOCATIONAL SERVICES FOR THE MENTALLY HANDICAPPED.

THE VISIT WAS AIMED AT PROVIDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS WITH BACKGROUND INFORMATION PRIOR TO THEIR DISCUSSION ON THE +PROVISION OF REHABILITATION SERVICES+ AT A MEETING THIS MORNING.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS WERE MET BY THE SUPERINTENDENT, MS NORA WONG, AND LATER VIEWED A 10-MINUTE SLIDE SHOW ON THE WORK OF THE VILLAGE.

AFTER THE SLIDE SHOW THEY TOURED THE VILLAGE WHICH IS OPERATED BY THE HONG KONG ASSOCIATION FOR THE MENTALLY HANDICAPPED.

AT THE ADVANCED TRAINING CENTRE THE VISITORS SAW TRAINEES LEARNING WOODWORK, METALWORK, MACHINE SEWING AND ASSEMBLY WORK.

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KLASSE WORKERS RECEIVE EX-GRATIA PAYMENTS

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ALL THE 258 WORKERS FROM THE DEFUNCT KLASSE DEPARTMENT STORE WHO APPLIED FOR COMPENSATION RECEIVED PAYMENTS FROM THE PROTECTION OF WAGES ON INSOLVENCY FUND BETWEEN JULY AND AUGUST THIS YEAR.

COMMENTING ON A PRESS REPORT TODAY, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT SAID WORKERS WERE PAID \$878 700 COVERING THEIR WAGES IN ARREARS.

+IN THE MAJORITY OF THESE CASES, PAYMENTS WERE MADE WITHIN TWO WEEKS FROM APPLICATION,+ HE ADDED.

AS FOR CLAIMS FOR SEVERANCE PAY AND WAGES IN LIEU OF NOTICE, THE WORKERS WERE REFERRED TO THE LEGAL AID DEPARTMENT FOR ASSISTANCE.

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CARNIVAL FUN FOR WAN CHAI RESIDENTS
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MORE THAN 500 RESIDENTS IN WAN CHAI SPENT AN ENJOYABLE EVENING AT THE HARBOUR ROAD GARDEN CELEBRATING THE MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL WITH A LANTERN CARNIVAL TONIGHT (TUESDAY).

THE EVENT WAS ORGANISED BY THE WAN CHAI FESTIVAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICE, THE DISTRICT BOARD AND THE URBAN COUNCIL.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE WAN CHAI FESTIVAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR LEE KON, NOTED THAT THE EVENT WAS FINANCED BY SURPLUS FUNDS RAISED FOR THE WAN CHAI FESTIVAL HELD IN JANUARY.

HE EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THE FESTIVE SPIRIT GENERATED BY THE WAN CHAI FESTIVAL WOULD BE CARRIED ON IN THE COMING FESTIVAL AND THAT ALL WAN CHAI RESIDENTS COULD TAKE PART AND SHARE IN THE FUN.

THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICER, MR ROGER GARCIA, SAID THAT THE PUBLIC, APART FROM TAKING PART IN CULTURAL ACTIVITIES, SHOULD ALSO PARTICIPATE IN COMMUNITY AFFAIRS.

A CIVIC EDUCATION EXHIBITION ON CIVIC RIGHT AND RESPONSIBILITIES WOULD BE ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE AT HENNESSY CENTRE FROM SEPTEMBER 26 TO 29 AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WERE WELCOME TO ATTEND, HE SAID.

OTHER OFFICIATING GUESTS INCLUDED THE DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MRS PEGGY LAM, AND MEMBERS OF THE WAN CHAI FESTIVAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE.

THE CARNIVAL COMPRISED MAGIC SHOWS, AND ACROBATIC, SINGING AND BAND PERFORMANCES. LANTERNS WERE ALSO DISTRIBUTED TO RESIDENTS.

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LANTERN CARNIVAL FOR YAU MA TEI RESIDENTS

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A LANTERN CARNIVAL WILL BE ORGANISED BY THE YAU MA TEI DISTRICT BOARD IN THE URBAN COUNCIL CENTENARY GARDEN ON THURSDAY (SEPTEMBER 18) FROM 7 PM TO 11 PM TO CELEBRATE THE MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL.

ANNOUNCING DETAILS OF THE CARNIVAL TODAY (TUESDAY), CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT BOARD, MR YIP WAH, SAID: +A SUM OF \$20 000 FROM DISTRICT BOARD FUNDS HAS BEEN ALLOCATED FOR THE EVENT TO PROVIDE FUN AND ENTERTAINMENT FOR RESIDENTS.+

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PROGRAMMES FOR THE NIGHT INCLUDE DANCE AND SINGING PERFORMANCES BY SINGERS AND TELEVISION ARTISTES.

THERE WILL ALSO BE GAMESTALLS SET UP BY LOCAL ORGANISATIONS AND THE FIVE AREA COMMITTEES ON THEMES RANGING FROM CRIME PREVENTION TO CIVIC EDUCATION.

A SPECIAL GAMESTALL ON CHINESE CHESS WILL BE PUT UP BY THE HONG KONG CHINESE CHESS ASSOCIATION AND BLINDFOLDED CHESS PLAYERS WILL BE PRESENT TO MEET CHALLENGE FROM FELLOW CHESS PLAYERS.

THE FOUR BEST DESIGNED STALLS WILL BE AWARDED PRIZES. PARTICIPANTS WILL ALSO BE ABLE TO WIN PRIZES FOR THE VARIOUS GAMES.

OTHER ATTRACTIONS INCLUDE LANTERN RIDDLES, WORD PROPHECY AND FORTUNE TELLING CONDUCTED BILINGUALLY.

FREE TICKETS ARE OBTAINABLE AT YAU MA TEI DISTRICT OFFICE AND ITS TSIM SHA TSUI SUB-OFFICE.

OTHER ORGANISERS AND CO-ORGANISERS OF THE EVENT INCLUDE THE URBAN COUNCIL, TSIM SHA TSUI EAST PROPERTY DEVELOPERS ASSOCIATION, YAU MA TEI AND TSIM SHA TSUI CULTURE AND ARTS ASSOCIATION, YAU MA TEI AND TSIM SHA TSUI RECREATION AND SPORTS ASSOCIATION AND THE YAU MA TEI SCHOOL LIAISON COMMITTEE.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING OF THE CARNIVAL WILL BE YAU MA TEI DISTRICT OFFICER, MR AUGUSTINE CHENG, YAU MA TEI DISTRICT POLICE COMMANDER, MR BEN MUNFORD, DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR YIP WAH, URBAN COUNCILLOR, MR KWAN LIM-HO, AND REPRESENTATIVE OF THE TSIM SHA TSUI EAST PROPERTY DEVELOPERS ASSOCIATION, MR DAVID KWAN.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE LANTERN CARNIVAL AT 7 PM AND THE OPENING CEREMONY AT 8.30 PM ON THURSDAY IN THE URBAN COUNCIL CENTENARY GARDEN, TSIM SHA TSUI EAST.

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VARIETY SHOW TO START FESTIVAL CELEBRATION
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CELEBRATION OF THE MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL IN SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT WILL START TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) WITH A VARIETY SHOW AT PO ON ROAD PLAYGROUND ORGANISED BY THE SHAM SHUI PO COUNCIL FOR PROMOTION OF CULTURAL AND RECREATIONAL SERVICES.

THE SHOW WILL FEATURE TELEVISION AND FILM STARS AS WELL AS TALENTED YOUNG SINGERS.

MOON-CAKES WILL BE GIVEN TO THOSE AGED OVER 60, AND LANTERNS WILL ALSO BE DISTRIBUTED.

THERE WILL BE LANTERN RIDDLES, A PAINTING AND CALLIGRAPHY DEMONSTRATION, AND A DEMONSTRATION OF ANCIENT CHINESE KNOTTING.

THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT OFFICER, MR SYLVESTER TSE, WILL OFFICIATE AT AN OPENING CEREMONY AT 7 PM, ALTHOUGH SOME EVENTS ON THE PROGRAMMES WILL BEGIN EARLIER, AT 6 PM.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE WELCOME TO COVER THE MID-AUTUMN VARIETY SHOW TOMORROW AT PO ON ROAD PLAYGROUND, SHAM SHUI PO.

PRESS CONFERENCE ON STUDY TOUR TO EUROPE

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KWAI TSING DISTRICT OFFICER, MR BRIAN COAK, AND MEMBERS OF THE KWAI CHUNG AND TSING YI DISTRICT BOARD DELEGATION TO EUROPE WILL HOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) TO REPORT ON THEIR TWO-WEEK EUROPEAN STUDY TOUR LAST MONTH.

THE 12-MEMBER DELEGATION INCLUDED SEVEN DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS AND MEMBERS OF ITS SUB-COMMITTEES AND AREA COMMITTEES.

DURING THEIR TOUR, DELEGATES MET GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, COMMUNITY LEADERS AND LOCAL DIGNITARIES IN AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, PARIS, LONDON AND MANCHESTER. VIEWS ON MATTERS RELATING TO TOWN PLANNING, COMMUNITY BUILDING AND ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL IMPROVEMENTS WERE EXCHANGED.

THERE WILL BE A PHOTOGRAPH DISPLAY AND VIDEO PRESENTATION AT THE CONFERENCE TO ILLUSTRATE THE GROUP'S OBSERVATIONS. A FULL REPORT WILL BE PUBLISHED EARLY NEXT MONTH.

THE PRESS CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD AT 11 AM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT OFFICE, 10TH FLOOR, KWAI HING GOVERNMENT OFFICE BUILDING, 166-174, HING FONG ROAD.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE PRESS CONFERENCE.

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VARIETY SHOW FOR WAN CHAI RESIDENTS
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WAN CHAI RESIDENTS WILL BE TREATED TO A MID-AUTUMN VARIETY SHOW AT THE SOUTHRN PLAYGROUND TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) EVENING.

THE SHOW IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT ARTS, CULTURAL RECREATIONAL AND SPORTS ASSOCIATION AND THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICE.

IT IS SPONSORED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD AND THE URBAN COUNCIL.

INCLUDED IN THE PROGRAMME WILL BE A LION DANCE, SINGING, LASER BEAM DISPLAY, MAGIC SHOW, ACROBATIC PERFORMANCE AND A LUCKY DRAW.

THE VARIETY SHOW WILL START AT 7.30 PM AND ALL RESIDENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICER, MR ROGER GARCIA; THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MISS DONNA WONG; THE DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MRS PEGGY LAM; AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CULTURAL AND RECREATIONAL COMMITTEE, MR LEE KON.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE MID-AUTUMN VARIETY SHOW TO BE HELD TOMORROW AT 7.30 PM AT THE SOUTHRN PLAYGROUND IN WAN CHAI.