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NEW LAW HAS DEALT FATAL BLOW TO VICE DENS

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HONG KONG'S VICE ESTABLISHMENTS HAVE SUFFERED ANOTHER CRUSHING BLOW WITH THE ENFORCEMENT OF NEW LEGISLATION ALLOWING POLICE TO REMOVE SIGNS ADVERTISING PROSTITUTION WITHOUT FIRST APPLYING FOR A WARRANT.

BUILDINGS, DOORWAYS AND CORRIDORS DISPLAYING SIGNS ADVERTISING PROSTITUTION HAVE BEEN SUBJECT TO SWOOPS BY POLICE AND THE OFFENDING SIGNS SUMMARILY REMOVED AND CONFISCATED.

AS THE NEW CRIMES (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990 CAME INTO FORCE ON OCTOBER 1 THE SIGNS IMMEDIATELY CAME TUMBLING DOWN ALL OVER HONG KONG.

MAIN THRUST OF THE OPERATION WAS IN MONGKOK, WHERE 47 LOCATIONS WERE VISITED, 164 VICE SIGNS REMOVED AND 33 ADVERTISEMENTS ERASED FROM WALLS.

IN THE FAST FADING WORLD OF SUZIE WONG IN WAN CHAI A TWO HOURS LONG OPERATION SAW THE REMOVAL OF 33 SIGNS FROM ONE BUILDING WITH A SECOND SERIES OF RAIDS ERADICATING THE REMAINDER OF KNOWN SIGNS IN THE DISTRICT.

THE CLEAN UP RESULTED IN A MAJOR FACELIFT FOR ADVERTISING SIGNS AND FURTHER ACTION WILL BE TAKEN ON NEW VICE SIGNS ON A DAY-TO-DAY BASIS.

BEFORE THE LAW WAS AMENDED POLICE WERE REQUIRED TO APPLY FOR A WARRANT TO REMOVE ILLEGAL SIGNS. NOW AN OFFICER OF THE RANK OF CHIEF INSPECTOR OR ABOVE WHO BELIEVES THAT A SIGN IS DISPLAYED TO ADVERTISE VICE MAY AUTHORISE ITS REMOVAL.

MONG KOK DISTRICT OPERATIONS OFFICER MR KWAN KAI-LUEN SAID: "THERE ARE ABOUT 70 ONE WOMAN BROTHELS SCATTERED AROUND SHANGHAI STREET, PORTLAND STREET AND RECLAMATION STREET AND EACH SUCH DEN MAY HAVE HAD THREE OR FOUR SIGNS ADVERTISING PROSTITUTION.

"SINCE OCTOBER 1 WE HAVE CARRIED OUT A SERIES OF OPERATIONS AND IN FACT WE ARE NOW REMOVING OBSCENE SIGNS EVERY DAY AND SUCH OPERATIONS WILL BE CONTINUING TO FULLY EXERCISE OUR LEGAL POWERS.

"IT IS TO OUR CONVENIENCE THAT WE ARE NOW ABLE TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION WHEREVER WE RECEIVE A COMPLAINT FROM THE PUBLIC."

SAID MR PHIL FRASER, WAN CHAI DISTRICT OPERATIONS OFFICER: "WE HAD IDENTIFIED ALL THE PROSTITUTION SIGNS IN WAN CHAI IN ADVANCE AND WERE READY TO GO INTO ACTION AS SOON AS THE LAW CAME INTO FORCE."

WAN CHAI'S FIRST BLITZ WAS CENTRED ON ONE BUILDING IN LOCKHART ROAD WHERE RESIDENTS HAD FREQUENTLY COMPLAINED TO THEIR DISTRICT BOARD OF OFFENSIVE ADVERTISING.

"THERE ARE 10 ONE GIRL BROTHELS IN THERE, WHICH IS A LOT FOR A BUILDING WITH 40 FLATS. WE HAD HUNDREDS OF COMPLAINTS."

/THE SIGNS .....

TEN SIGNS WERE REMOVED FROM THE LOBBY, 15 OUTSIDE THE BUILDING AND OTHERS OUTSIDE DOORS. "FERVENT LADY" AND "JAPANESE COMPASSIONATE GIRL" NO LONGER ADVERTISE THEIR WARES.

"WE HAD NO TROUBLE WHILE OUR CONTRACTORS DISMANTLED THE SIGNS," MR FRASER SAID, "APART FROM ONE PROSTITUTE MOANING ABOUT IT.

"WAN CHAI IS NOW A CLEANER PLACE AND WE'RE KEEPING A DAILY LOOK OUT FOR SIGNS THROUGH REPORTS BY CONSTABLES ON THE BEAT AND BY OUR WOMEN AND JUVENILE SQUAD.

"BUT THEY'LL FIND SOME OTHER WAYS TO TRADE. THEY WON'T GO OUT OF BUSINESS I'M SURE."

TWO NEW SIGNS HAD APPEARED IN THE LOCKHART ROAD BUILDING BY THE END OF THE FIRST DAY'S OPERATIONS.

THE SIGNS WILL BE KEPT FOR A MONTH AND IF THEY ARE NOT CLAIMED BY THEIR OWNERS THEY WILL BE DESTROYED.

"WE'RE NOT EXPECTING ANY COMPLAINTS," MR FRASER SAID. "IF ANYONE COMES TO CLAIM THEIR SIGNS THEY WILL BE PROSECUTED FOR DISPLAYING THEM."

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RESIDENTS URGED TO VOTE IN NEXT YEAR'S ELECTIONS

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THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR DAVID LAN, TODAY (SUNDAY) APPEALED KOWLOON CITY RESIDENTS TO VOTE IN NEXT YEAR'S THREE-TIER ELECTIONS.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE DISTRICT'S CIVIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN AT THE ARGYLE STREET PLAYGOUND, MR LAN EMPHASISED THAT THIS WAS ONLY THE FIRST STEP TOWARDS EXERCISING THEIR CIVIC RIGHTS.

"I HOPE REGISTERED VOTERS WILL FULFILL THEIR DUTIES AS RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS BY CASTING THEIR VOTES IN NEXT YEAR'S DISTRICT BOARD, MUNICIPAL COUNCIL AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS," HE SAID.

POINTING OUT THAT HONG KONG WAS GOING THROUGH A PERIOD OF CHANGES IN ITS POLITICAL SYSTEM, MR LAN SAID THERE SHOULD NOT BE ANY DELAY IN THE PRMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION TO ENSURE THAT THE PUBLIC WILL BE ABLE TO KEEP PACE WITH THE POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS, BOTH PSYCHOLOGICALLY AND IN PRACTICE.

HE SAID THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT HAD ACHIEVED VERY GOOD RESULTS IN VOTER REGISTRATION WITH MORE THAN 35,600 OF THESE FORMS RETURNED SINCE THE VOTER REGISTRATION CAMPAIGN STARTED IN MID-AUGUST.

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MR LAN ALSO PRAISED THE DISTRICT CIVIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN ORGANISING COMMITTEE FOR THEIR EFFORTS IN PROMOTING CIVIC EDUCATION IN THE DISTRICT.

"MORE ACTIVITIES OF THIS NATURE WILL BE ORGANISED FOR DIFFERENT AGE GROUPS DURING THE CAMPAIGN PERIOD FROM NEXT MONTH TO FEBRUARY NEXT YEAR.

"THESE WILL INCLUDE A CIVIC EDUCATION CAMP, AN OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD SCHEME, AN ELDERLY PARTICIPATION SCHEME, THE PRODUCTION OF A CIVIC EDUCATION HANDBOOK AND A CALENDER POSTER," HE SAID.

MORE THAN 6,000 LOCAL RESIDENTS TOOK PART IN A CARNIVAL AFTER THE OPENING CEREMONY.

THE CARNIVAL FEATURED GAME STALLS, A VARIETY SHOW, A VIDEO SHOW, A BAND PARADE AND AN EXHIBITION ON CIVIC EDUCATION.

ALSO OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WERE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION, DR DANIEL TSE; KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR WONG SIK-KONG AND THE DISTRICT'S CIVIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN ORGANISING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, MR CHAN SING-KONG.

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CONFERENCE TO EXPLORE TIES BETWEEN PRODUCTIVITY AND LABOUR RELATIONS

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THE MAJOR DEVELOPMENT TRENDS ON HONG KONG'S LABOUR RELATIONS AND STAFF TRAINING POLICIES WILL BE PUT UNDER MICROSCOPE AT A LARGE-SCALE CONFERENCE NEXT MONTH.

THE LABOUR RELATIONS CONFERENCE '90, WHICH CARRIES THE THEME "PRODUCTIVITY THROUGH STAFF DEVELOPMENT AND IMPROVED LABOUR RELATIONS" IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT AND THE LABOUR RELATIONS PROMOTION SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE LABOUR ADVISORY BOARD.

MORE THAN 600 EMPLOYERS, PROPRIETORS, BUSINESS EXECUTIVES, PERSONNEL AND HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGERS, EMPLOYEES' REPRESENTATIVES, TRADE UNIONISTS, ACADEMICS AND OTHER PROFESSIONALS WILL TAKE PART IN THE ANNUAL EVENT ON NOVEMBER 30 (FRIDAY) AT THE HONG KONG CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTRE.

"THE CONFERENCE WILL PROVIDE A FORUM FOR PARTICIPANTS TO EXAMINE FROM DIFFERENT ANGLES THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN STAFF DEVELOPMENT, LABOUR RELATIONS AND PRODUCTIVITY," SAID SENIOR LABOUR OFFICER, MR PONG PING-KWAN.

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"IT IS ALSO INTENDED TO ENHANCE THE AWARENESS AMONG EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES ON THE NEED TO IMPROVE THE PRODUCTIVITY OF INDIVIDUAL WORKERS THROUGH LONG-TERM INVESTMENT IN HUMAN RESOURCES," MR PONG ADDED.

THE ONE-DAY CONFERENCE WILL TAKE THE FORM OF A PLENARY SESSION OF KEYNOTE SPEECHES IN THE MORNING AND WORKSHOP DISCUSSIONS IN THE AFTERNOON CONDUCTED BY EMINENT ENTREPRENEURS, TRADE UNION LEADERS, TRAINING CENTRE HEADS, GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND SPECIALISTS IN THE FIELD.

THE TALKS WILL COVER TOPICS SUCH AS THE IMPLICATIONS OF STAFF DEVELOPMENT POLICIES IN THE CHANGING ENVIRONMENT OF HONG KONG, THE OBLIGATION TO TEAM PERFORMANCE THAT MAXIMISES EFFECTIVENESS, FLEXIBLE TOOLS FOR STAFF DEVELOPMENT, PRODUCTIVITY DRIVE AND LABOUR RELATIONS, AND THE ROLE PLAYED BY TRADE UNIONS IN MANPOWER TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT.

MR PONG SAID A SERIES OF PRE-CONFERENCE VISITS TO REPUTABLE ESTABLISHMENTS WITH TRAINING FACILITIES WOULD BE ARRANGED FROM NOVEMBER 19 TO 23 TO FURTHER AROUSE THE INTEREST OF PARTICIPANTS AND ENHANCE THEIR UNDERSTANDING ON THE IMPORTANCE OF STAFF DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING.

"THESE COMPANIES WILL INCLUDE THE HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, HONG KONG TELEPHONE CO. LTD., KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY CORPORATION, COMITEX HOLDINGS, MAXIM'S CATERERS LTD., MOTOROLA SEMI-CONDUCTORS HONG KONG LTD AND NEW WORLD HARBOUR VIEW HOTEL," HE SAID.

THE CONFERENCE WILL BE CONDUCTED MAINLY IN CANTONESE AND THE ENROLMENT FEE IS $700, INCLUDING LUNCH AND REFRESHMENTS. THERE WILL BE DISCOUNT FOR "EARLY BIRDS", GROUP APPLICANTS AND TRADE UNION OFFICIALS.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE NOW OBTAINABLE FROM THE DEPARTMENT'S LABOUR RELATIONS PROMOTION UNIT, 12TH FLOOR, HABOUR BUILDING, CENTRAL.

FURTHER ENQUIRIES ON THE CONFERENCE CAN BE MADE ON TEL. 852 3511, 852 3517 AND 852 3509.

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NEW DISTRICT OFFICERS FOR YAU TSIM AND KWUN TONG

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THE GOVERNMENT HAS APPOINTED MISS ANNIE TANG HOI-YEE AS YAU TSIM DISTRICT OFFICER AS FROM TOMORROW (MONDAY).

MISS TANG SUCCEEDS MR WONG HON-HO, WHO WILL TAKE UP THE POST OF KWUN TONG DISTRICT OFFICER, FROM TOMORROW.

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MR WONG HAD BEEN SERVING AS YAU TSIM DISTRICT OFFICER SINCE DECEMBER, 1988.

FORMER KWUN TONG DISTRICT OFFICER, MR CHRIS WAN CHUNG-CHU VACATED THE POST ON OCTOBER 8 FOR THE POST OF PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY (HONG KONG AND KOWLOON).

MISS TANG JOINED THE GOVERNMENT AS AN ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER IN 1982 AND HAS SUBSEQUENTLY SERVED IN A NUMBER OF POLICY BRANCHES, INCLUDING THE ECONOMIC SERVICES BRANCH AND THE SECURITY BRANCH.

SHE ALSO SERVED IN THE STANDING COMMISSION ON CIVIL SERVICE SALARIES AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE AS WELL AS OMELCO.

MISS TANG'S LAST POSTING WAS ASSISTANT SECRETARY WITH THE SECURITY BRANCH WHERE SHE HANDLED ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY MATTERS.

SHE WAS PROMOTED TO SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER LAST YEAR.

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DISABLED PAINTER VISITING LONDON

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LAU WAI-MING SHOWED HOW SUCCESSFUL A HANDICAPPED PERSON COULD BE WITH DETERMINATION AND HARD WORK.

DURING A WEEK-LONG VISIT TO LONDON, 25-YEAR-OLD LAU TOLD 63 PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PUPILS AT RICHARD CLOUDESLEY SCHOOL IN LONDON HOW HE OVERCAME HIS SEVERE DISABILITIES AND PURSUED HIS INTEREST IN PAINTING SINCE HE WAS FOUR YEARS OLD.

LAU HAS TO COMMUNICATE AND DRAW WITH A PENCIL ATTACHED TO HIS FOREHEAD.

HE DEMONSTRATED HIS SKILLS WHICH WERE GREATLY ADMIRED BY A DISTINGUISHED GATHERING OF GUESTS INCLUDING MRS JOHN YAXLEY, WIFE OF THE HONG KONG COMMISSIONER IN LONDON, PARENTS AND PUPILS OF THE SCHOOL DURING A PRIVATE EXHIBITION OF HIS WORKS EARLIER IN THE MONTH.

LAU'S VISIT WAS SPONSORED BY CATHAY PACIFIC AIRWAYS. DURING HIS STAY HERE HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY PUPILS OF THE SCHOOL TO SEVERAL ART GALLERIES. HE ALSO MET AND DISCUSSED DEVELOPMENTS IN THE WORLD OF ART WITH A HANDICAPPED COUPLE IN EASTBOURNE - THEMSELVES ARTISTS.

PAT ROSCAMP, AN ART TEACHER AT THE SCHOOL DEMONSTRATED TO LAU SOME COMPUTER DRAWING SKILLS SPECIALLY DESIGNED FOR HANDICAPPED PEOPLE.

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SCHOOL-BASED CURRICULUM PROJECTS ON DISPLAY
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PROJECTS DEVELOPED BY TEACHERS UNDER THE SCHOOL-BASED CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT PROJECT SCHEME IN 1989/90 WILL SOON BE PUT ON DISPLAY AT THE HONG KONG TEACHERS' CENTRE IN PAK FUK ROAD, NORTH POINT.

THE SCHEME, LAUNCHED BY THE CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL IN SEPTEMBER 1988, PROVIDES GRANTS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF CURRICULUM PROJECTS CATERING FOR THE SPECIFIC NEEDS OF STUDENTS IN INDIVIDUAL SCHOOLS.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (SUNDAY) THAT IT WAS AIMED AT ENCOURAGING TEACHERS TO PARTICIPATE IN CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT AND PROVIDE A MORE FLEXIBLE DEVICE FOR TEACHERS AND SCHOOLS TO MEET THE CHANGING NEEDS OF SOCIETY.

"IT IS BELIEVED THAT THROUGH TEACHERS' ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN THE SCHEME, THE CENTRALLY DESIGNED CURRICULUM WILL BECOME MORE SUITED TO THE VARIED NEEDS AND INTERESTS OF PUPILS IN SCHOOLS AND AT THE SAME TIME THE PROFESSIONALISM OF TEACHERS WILL BE ENHANCED," HE SAID.

THE RESPONSE FROM TECAHERS IS MOST ENCOURAGING WITH 49 SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED IN 1988/89, 77 IN 1989/90 AND 88 SO FAR THIS YEAR.

A SCHOOL-BASED CURRICULUM PROJECT CAN BE DEVISED BY A TEACHER OR A GROUP OF TEACHERS TO SUIT THE PARTICULAR CURRICULUM NEEDS IDENTIFIED IN THEIR RESPECTIVE SCHOOLS.

IT MAY INCLUDE PROJECTS ON NEW TEACHING APPROACHES TO SPECIFIC TOPICS IN THE CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (CDC) SYLLABUSES OR CURRICULUM GUIDELINES, AND IN NEW TOPICS OR AREAS OF STUDIES AS ALTERNATIVES TO CERTAIN ASPECTS OF THE CDC SYLLABUSES OR GUIDELINES.

THE PROJECTS MAY LEAD TO THE PRODUCTION OF SIMPLE TEACHING MATERIALS SUCH AS A SET OF WORKSHEETS FOR A SPECIFIC TEACHING TOPIC, TEACHERS' GUIDES, TEACHING MATERIALS OR SUGGESTIONS FOR LEARNING ACTIVITIES, AND AUDIO-VISUAL AIDS SUCH AS SLIDES, CASSETTE TAPES, OVERHEAD TRANSPARENCIES, ETC.

THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE SCHEME WILL IDENTIFY KEY THEMES OR AREAS OF STUDIES, AND INVITE APPLICATIONS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF THE PROJECTS EACH YEAR. SCHOOLS ARE ALSO ENCOURAGED TO EXPLORE OTHER CURRICULUM INNOVATIONS PARTICULARLY RELEVENT TO THEIR PUPILS' NEEDS.

"SELECTION OF THE PROJECTS WILL BE BASED ON THE ACTUAL NEEDS OF SPECIFIC SCHOOLS AND WILL TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE RELEVANCE, CONTENT, FEASIBILITY, CREATIVENESS AND ORIGINALITY OF THE PROJECTS," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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"ALL PROJECTS ARE ALSO REQUIRED TO BE FIELD TESTED TO ENSURE THAT THEY ARE TRULY SCHOOL-BASED, RELEVANT AND USEFUL TO THE SCHOOLS CONCERNED.

"A GRANT RANGING FROM $5,000 TO $21,000 WILL BE AWARDED TO A SUCCESSFUL ENTRANT."

THE SCHOOL-BASED CURRICULUM PROJECTS EXHIBITION WILL TAKE PLACE BETWEEN NOVEMBER 3 AND 7 (EXCEPT SUNDAY) AT THE HONG KONG TEACHERS' CENTRE.

ADMISSION IS FREE.

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WAN CHAI RESIDENTS ATTRACTED TO ROAD SAFETY CARNIVAL

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THE WAN CHAI ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN THIS YEAR WILL EMPHASISE ON URGING DRIVERS TO OBSERVE ROAD RULES FOLLOWING A MARKED INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS INVOLVING LIGHT GOODS VEHICLES, ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MISS CECILIA YEN, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE WAN CHAI ROAD SAFETY CARNIVAL, MISS YEN SAID A SERIES OF ACTIVITIES WERE ORGANISED EACH YEAR TO PROMOTE ROAD SAFETY.

IN THE LATEST CAMPAIGN, PUBLICITY BOOKLETS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO PEDESTRIANS AT VARIOUS TRAFFIC BLACK SPOTS. A ROAD SAFETY QUIZ AND VISITS TO A MODEL ROAD SAFETY TOWN HAVE ALSO BEEN ARRANGED.

MANY LOCAL RESIDENTS WERE ATTRACTED TO THE CARNIVAL WHICH FEATURED GAME STALLS, SINGING PERFORMANCES AND AN EXHIBITION.

OTHER OFFICIATING GUESTS INCLUDED WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MRS PEGGY LAM AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE, MS JACQULINE HA.

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TSUEN WAN SPORTS FESTIVAL STARTS TODAY

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THE 12TH TSUEN WAN SPORTS FESTIVAL WAS LAUNCHED WITH A GRAND OPENING AND A KART PRIX TODAY (SUNDAY).

THE GO-KART RACE, WHICH TOOK PLACE AT THE SHA TSUI ROAD PLAYGROUND, ATTRACTED ABOUT 100 PARTICIPANTS.

THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR ADOLF HSU, OFFICIATED AT THE OPENING CEREMONY AND PRESENTED TROPHIES TO THE WINNERS.

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OTHER EVENTS OF THE FESTIVAL IN THE COMING WEEK WILL INCLUDE MINI-SOCCER, BASKETBALL, AEROBIC DANCE COMPETITIONS AND A CROSS-COUNTRY MARATHON.

FREE ADMISSION TICKETS AND PROGRAMME LEAFLETS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICES CENTRES OF THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT OFFICE.

THE MONTH-LONG FESTIVAL IS ORGANISED BY THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT OFFICE, THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD AND THE FEDERATION OF THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT SPORTS AND RECREATION ASSOCIATIONS. THE COST OF THE FESTIVAL IS AROUND $900,000.

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BARGAIN SALE AT CSD AUTUMN FAIR

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THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT (CSD) WILL HOLD A BARGAIN SALE OF STUFFED TOYS AND HANDICRAFT ITEMS FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AT ITS AUTUMN FAIR ON SATURDAY (NOVEMBER 3).

ALL PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE WILL BE DONATED TO CHARITABLE ORGANISATIONS.

THE FAIR MARKS THE ANNUAL SALE OF ARTS AND HANDICRAFT PRODUCTS MADE BY INMATES DURING THEIR DETENTION IN VARIOUS PENAL INSTITUTIONS RUN BY THE DEPARTMENT.

"THE PURPOSE OF THE FAIR IS TO MOTIVATE THE INMATES TO ADOPT A POSITIVE ATTITUDE TOWARDS THEIR FUTURE AS WELL AS TO ENHANCE THEIR SENSE OF CONTRIBUTION TO SOCIETY," A CSD SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE FAIR HAD BECOME AN ANNUAL EVENT POPULAR TO THE PUBLIC, PARTICULARLY THOSE "BARGAIN HUNTERS".

"LAST YEAR, OUR FAIR ATTRACTED THOUSANDS OF VISITORS WHO WERE GENERALLY HAPPY WITH THE WIDE RANGE OF GOOD-QUALITY AND LOW-PRICE PRODUCTS ON SALE THERE," HE ADDED.

PRODUCTS OFFERED AT THE FAIR THIS YEAR WILL INCLUDE STUFFED TOYS, HANDICRAFTS, RATTAN AND WOODEN FURNITURE. THEY WILL BE ON SALE AT SOME 30 STALLS.

THERE WILL ALSO BE GAME STALLS FOR CHILDREN.

IN ADDITION, THE LION DANCE TEAMS OF THE CSD SPORTS ASSOCIATION AND TUNG TAU CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION, TAI TAM GIRL PIPERS AND MARCHING TEAM, AND CAPE COLLINSON BAND WILL PERFORM AT THE FAIR.

THE FAIR WILL BE HELD BETWEEN NOON AND 5 PM AT THE FOOTBALL FIELD NEXT TO STANLEY PRISON. ADMISSION IS FREE.

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