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COUPLES INVITED TO BECOME ADOPTIVE PARENTS

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EASTER IS A TIME OF JOY AND HOPE.

IT MAY ALSO BE A TIME TO SHOW YOUR LOVE AND CONCERN FOR OTHERS BY CONSIDERING TO ADOPT NEEDY CHILDREN.

IT CAN BE DONE THROUGH THE ADOPTION UNIT OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT (SWD) SAID TODAY (SATURDAY) THAT THE PRIMARY CONCERN OF ADOPTION SERVICE WAS TO FIND SUITABLE AND PERMANENT HOMES FOR NEEDY CHILDREN SO THAT THEY COULD ENJOY THE LOVING CARE OF A FAMILY LIFE.

THESE NEEDY CHILDREN, WHO ARE MADE WARDS OF DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MAY HAVE EITHER LOST THEIR PARENTS OR BEEN ABANDONED BY THEIR PARENTS.

THEY ARE VOID OF NOT ONLY A NORMAL REARING BUT ALSO A HAPPY CHILDHOOD.

"BUT THEY, JUST LIKE ANY OTHER CHILDREN, SHOULD BE GIVEN EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR DEVELOPMENT, TO ENJOY CARE AND STIMULATION IN A LOVING AND PERMANENT HOME," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY LEND A HELPING HAND SHOULD THEY BE MORE FORTHCOMING TO BECOME SUBSTITUTE PARENTS OF THESE CHILDREN."

AT PRESENT, THERE ARE 57 WARDS OF DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE AWAITING ADOPTION.

LAST YEAR, THE DEPARTMENT SUCCESSFULLY PLACED 103 AND 45 CHILDREN IN LOCAL AND OVERSEAS ADOPTIVE HOMES RESPECTIVELY.

COUPLES WHO ARE INTERESTED TO BECOME PROSPECTIVE ADOPTERS MAY APPLY TO THE SWD'S ADOPTION UNIT.

DETAILS OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF ADOPTERS, ADOPTION PROCESS AND LEGAL PROCEDURES HAVE BEEN LAID DOWN IN A SWD PAMPHLET ON ADOPTION SERVICE, WHICH ARE OBTAINABLE FROM VARIOUS DISTRICT OFFICES OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT.

ENQUIRIES COULD ALSO BE MADE BY CALLING THE ADOPTION UNIT ON TEL. 852 3107.

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DRAGON BOAT RACES IN SAI KUNG

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DRAGON BOAT RACES IN SAI KUNG DISTRICT WILL BE HELD ALONG THE WATERFRONT OF THE TOWN ON JUNE 5 (FRIDAY).

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE RACES' ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR GEORGE NG, SAID THE RACES, WHICH WERE CANCELLED LAST YEAR BECAUSE OF SHARK THREATS, WILL HELP ATTRACT MORE TOURISTS TO VISIT THE TOWN.

THE EVENT IS ONE OF THE TRADITIONAL CELEBRATIONS OF DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL IN SAI KUNG.

HE SAID ENTRIES FOR THE RACES ARE NOW OPEN.

THE COMPETITION WILL BE DIVIDED INTO MEN'S DIVISION, MEN'S MINI-BOAT DIVISION, WOMEN'S MINI-BOAT DIVISION, PRIVATE COMPANIES' DIVISION, FISHERMEN'S DIVISION, AND A DIVISION FOR POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTIONS. THE LATTER TWO DIVISIONS ARE INTRODUCED FOR THE FIRST TIME THIS YEAR.

ALL THE TEAMS WILL BE GIVEN GRAND PRIZES AND SOUVENIRS.

MR NG SAID THERE WOULD ALSO BE A VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES DURING THE FESTIVE PERIOD, INCLUDING AN EXHIBITION, A PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION, AND A SPECIAL DRAGON BOAT INVITATION RACE PARTICIPATED BY OVERSEAS TEAMS.

ENTRY FORMS OF THE RACES AND DETAILS OF THE ACTIVITIES CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT COMMUNITY CENTRE IN SHA HA, SAI KUNG TOWN. THE DEADLINE FOR ENTRY IS APRIL 27.

ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON 792 1762.

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