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GOVERNOR TO OPEN ANTI-NARCOTICS MASS RALLY
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THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS' (ACAN) MASS RALLY TO BE HELD AT THE HONG KONG STADIUM ON APRIL 6.

SIR MURRAY WILL ADDRESS ABOUT 30,000 STUDENTS AND YOUTHS EXPECTED TO ATTEND THE RALLY WHICH MARKS THE BEGINING OF YET ANOTHER YEAR'S (1979-80) INCREASED EFFORT IN ANTI-NARCOTICS PUBLICITY AND PREVENTIVE EDUCATION.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE RALLY'S ORGANISING COMMITTEE AND ACAN'S PREVENTIVE EDUCATION AND PUBLICITY SUB-COMMITTEE, MR. KARL STUMPF, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY): +THE RALLY AIMS AT MAKING MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MORE AWARE OF THE ANTI-NARCOTICS ISSUE IN HONG KONG AND THE GOOD WORK BY THE GOVERNMENT AND VOLUNTARY AGENCIES IN THE FIELD.+

+THE RALLY ALSO ADVOCATES INCREASED COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT IN THE FIGHT AGAINST DRUGS,+ HE SAID.

WITH A THEME OF +HEALTHY ALTERNATIVES+ AGAINST DRUG ABUSE, THE RALLY FEATURES A +TELEMATCH+ COMPETITION TO BE PARTICIPATED BY 30 TEAMS FROM VARIOUS GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND VOLUNTARY AGENCIES, INCLUDING A TEAM COMPRISING EX-DRUG ADDICTS.

THE TWO-HOUR PROGRAMME, STARTING AT 3 P.M., ALSO FEATURES BRASS BAND, BUGLES, PIPES AND DRUMS PERFORMANCES BY THE BRITISH FORCES AND THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE FORCE. THERE WILL BE LION AND RIBBON DANCE PERFORMANCES BY THE JUNIOR POLICE CALL, KARATE AND JUDO DEMONSTRATIONS BY THE POLICE CADETS.

MEMBERS OF THE WORLD FAMOUS +RED DEVILS+ PARACHUTE TEAM STATIONED WITH THE GARRISON IN HONG KONG WILL ENTERTAIN SPECTATORS WITH THEIR EXCITING PARACHUTE JUMPING DISPLAY INTO THE STADIUM. THEY WILL EACH CARRY THE CHINESE-LANGUAGE ANTI-NARCOTICS MESSAGE AS THEY MAKE THEIR SPECTACULAR DESCENT INTO THE PACKED STADIUM.

A MOCK BATTLE DISPLAY WILL BE STAGED BY THE ROYAL HONG KONG REGIMENT AND A MOTORCYCLE DEMONSTRATION BY THE CIVIL AID SERVICES.

MORE THAN 2,000 STUDENTS FROM NEW METHOD COLLEGE WILL GIVE AN ANTI-DRUG SLOGAN AND PICTURE DISPLAY WITH THE ~~SKILFUL~~ USE OF +FLIP BOARDS+.

IN ADDITION TO THE COLOURFUL RALLY, ACAN HAS PLANNED A COMPREHENSIVE PREVENTIVE EDUCATION AND PUBLICITY PROGRAMME FOR THE NEXT FINANCIAL YEAR (1979-80).

THE PROPOSED PROGRAMME INCLUDES A SERIES OF MONTH-LONG DISTRICT CAMPAIGNS, EXHIBITIONS, ANTI-DRUG SEMINARS AND TRAINING CAMPS, MOBILE THEATRE AND FILM SHOWS, TELEVISION EDUCATION FILMS AND DRAMAS, AND A DRUG ABUSE TELEPHONE ENQUIRY SERVICE TO BE IMPLEMENTED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

THERE WILL BE AN INTENSIVE PUBLICITY IN THE MASS MEDIA AND A WIDE VARIETY OF EDUCATION AND INFORMATION PUBLICATIONS, INCLUDING THE ANNUAL ACAN'S NARCOTICS REPORT, WILL BE PRODUCED.

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WELFARE PREMISES RESERVED IN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES
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THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT IS INVITING APPLICATIONS FROM VOLUNTARY WELFARE AGENCIES FOR PREMISES RESERVED FOR SPECIFIC OR GENERAL WELFARE PURPOSES IN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES.

PREMISES HAVE BEEN RESERVED OR WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE IN VARIOUS ESTATES FOR RUNNING CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH CENTRES, NURSERIES, HOSTELS AND SOCIAL CENTRES FOR THE ELDERLY, CLUBS FOR THE DISABLED AND HOSTELS FOR THE MENTALLY RETARDED.

THE DEPARTMENT'S PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SECTION HAS WRITTEN TO THE AGENCIES PROVIDING THE LATEST INFORMATION ON THE AVAILABILITY OF SUCH PREMISES IN EXISTING ESTATES AND THOSE UNDER CONSTRUCTION OR SHORTLY TO BE BUILT.

THE SECTION, IN CLOSE LIAISON WITH THE HOUSING AUTHORITY AND HOUSING SOCIETY, MONITORS THE ALLOCATION OF WELFARE PREMISES FOR DEPARTMENTAL AND AGENCIES' PROJECTS TO ENSURE A BALANCED PROVISION OF WELFARE SERVICES, PARTICULARLY IN NEW TOWNS AND NEW PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES.

AT PRESENT, PREMISES WITH A TOTAL FLOOR AREA OF 36,700 SQ. FT. ARE AVAILABLE IN NINE EXISTING ESTATES FOR CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH CENTRES AND SOCIAL CENTRES FOR THE ELDERLY TO MEET A GROWING NEED IN THE ESTATES.

OF THESE, THE LARGEST PREMISES IS AT FU SHAN ESTATE WITH A FLOOR SPACE OF 7,000 SQ. FT. RESERVED FOR RUNNING A CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH CENTRE.

ANOTHER PREMISES, COVERING 6,000 SQ. FT. AT NAM SHAN ESTATE (PHASE IC) IS ALSO FOR A CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH CENTRE.

THE OTHER SEVEN PREMISES HAVE FLOOR AREAS RANGING FROM 1,425 SQ. FT. TO 5,310 SQ. FT. AND ARE AVAILABLE IN HING WAH, LAI KING, LAI YIU, SHEK LEI, WAH FU, WO CHE AND TAI HING ESTATES.

FOR GENERAL WELFARE PURPOSES, SPACES WITH A TOTAL AREA OF OVER 28,200 SQ. FT. HAVE BEEN RESERVED IN 11 EXISTING ESTATES.

APPLICATIONS FOR WELFARE PREMISES IN EXISTING ESTATES WILL BE PROCESSED ON A +FIRST COME FIRST SERVED+ BASIS.

IN ADDITION, A LARGE NUMBER OF PREMISES FOR RUNNING NURSERIES, HOSTELS AND SOCIAL CENTRES FOR THE AGED, CLUBS FOR THE DISABLED, HOSTELS FOR THE MENTALLY RETARDED AND YOUTH CENTRES WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE IN ESTATES NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION OR TO BE BUILT SHORTLY. APPLICATIONS FOR THESE PREMISES SHOULD BE MADE BEFORE MARCH 31.

ON TOP OF THESE, PREMISES HAVE BEEN RESERVED IN THE HOUSING SOCIETY'S CHO YIU CHUEN IN KWAI CHUNG FOR OLD PEOPLE'S HOSTELS, CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH CENTRES AND NURSERY. VOLUNTARY AGENCIES WISHING TO APPLY SHOULD SEND THEIR APPLICATIONS TO THE HOUSING SOCIETY, GENERAL POST OFFICE BOX 845, HONG KONG BEFORE MARCH 31.

APPLICATION FORMS AND FURTHER INFORMATION ON ALL THESE WELFARE PREMISES CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT'S PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SECTION (TEL. 5-773249).

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DRESS REHEARSAL OF YOUTH RALLY FOR H.R.H. THE
PRINCE OF WALES

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SPECTATORS AT YUEN LONG STADIUM COULD HAVE BEEN FORGIVEN FOR THINKING THEY WERE +SEEING DOUBLE+ TODAY (SUNDAY) WHEN AN OPEN CROWN ROLLS ROYCE ARRIVED AND BEARING A YOUNG ENGLISH MAN WEARING A DARK SUIT.

MANY ON-LOOKERS THOUGHT FOR A MOMENT THAT HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS, THE PRINCE OF WALES HAD ARRIVED IN HONG KONG A WEEK EARLY, JUDGING BY +OOHS+ AND +AHS+ WHICH GREETED THE YOUNG MAN'S ARRIVAL.

IT WAS NOT, OF COURSE, PRINCE CHARLES BUT HIS OFFICIAL +STAND-IN+, CHIEF INSPECTOR DAVID RONALD OF THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE FORCE WHO HAS BEEN SURROGAT PRINCE FOR THE LAST FEW DAYS AT REHEARSALS FOR THE FORTHCOMING ROYAL VISIT.

CHIEF INSPECTOR RONALD, WHO IS ATTACHED TO POLICE HEADQUARTERS, WAS NOT CHOSEN FOR HIS LIKENESS TO PRINCE CHARLES -- BUT ON-LOOKERS TODAY SAW A CLOSE RESEMBLANCE.

+NOBODY HAD SAID BEFORE THAT I LOOK LIKE PRINCE CHARLES BUT SINCE THE REHEARSALS, QUITE A FEW PEOPLE HAVE REMARKED THAT THERE IS IN FACT A LIKENESS,+ SAID INSPECTOR RONALD.

+BUT I AM SURE THEY ONLY THINK SO BECAUSE I HAPPEN TO BE PLAYING HIS PART.+

INSPECTOR RONALD SAYS HE IS ENJOYING HIS ROLE. SETTLING INTO THE BACK SEAT OF THE ROLLS, HE SAID, +I CAN SEE HOW YOU WOULD BECOME USED TO THIS.+

SEVERAL HUNDRED YUEN LONG RESIDENTS WATCHED TODAY'S REHEARSAL INCLUDING THE DOTTING OF THE EYES OF A 145 FEET LONG SILVER DRAGON, A COLOURFUL YOUTH DISPLAY AND MUSIC PROVIDED BY A MASS BAND OF MORE THAN 300 PLAYERS.

NEARLY 1,000 PEOPLE ARE TAKING PART IN THE DISPLAY AND DURING THE WEEK WILL BE POLISHING UP THEIR PERFORMANCE FOR PRINCE CHARLES' OFFICIAL VISIT TO YUEN LONG NEXT MONDAY, MARCH 5.

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\$12 MILLION PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOL FOR CHAI WAN

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WORK IS STARTING SOON ON A \$12 MILLION PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOL IN CHAI WAN CAPABLE OF ACCOMMODATING ABOUT 1,000 STUDENTS FROM FORM 1 TO V.

THE CO-EDUCATIONAL SCHOOL, TO BE KNOWN AS THE MARDEN FOUNDATION CARITAS PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOL -- CHAI WAN, WILL BE BUILT ON A 60,000 SQ. FT. SITE AT SAN HA STREET, DIRECTLY OPPOSITE THE PO LEUNG KUK C.F.A. NO. 1 PRIMARY SCHOOL.

THE CAPITAL COST IS BEING PARTIALLY FINANCED BY THE MARDEN FOUNDATION AND MR. KENNETH TOPLEY, THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, WILL BE UNVEILING THE COMMEMORATIVE STONE OF THE NEW SCHOOL AT A BRIEF CEREMONY ON FRIDAY, MARCH 2.

THE MODERN DESIGN SCHOOL WILL HAVE THREE SEPARATE BLOCKS OF SIX TO SEVEN STOREYS LINKED TOGETHER TO PROVIDE 15 CLASSROOMS, NINE WORKSHOPS, EIGHT SPECIAL ROOMS, ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES AND A LARGE COMMUNITY HALL.

AS IN THE OTHER TWO PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS IN TUEN MUN AND SHA TIN SPONSORED BY THE MARDEN FOUNDATION, THE PREMISES ARE DESIGNED TO ACCOMMODATE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PEOPLE, AND THE SCHOOL FACILITIES ARE ALSO MADE AVAILABLE TO OTHER COMMUNITY SERVICES AFTER NORMAL SCHOOL HOURS.

THOUGH THE SCHOOL WILL NOT BE READY TILL 1980, IT WILL COMMENCE OPERATING THIS SEPTEMBER WITH BORROWED PREMISES AND FACILITIES AT THE CARITAS ST. FRANCIS PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOL IN CAINE ROAD.

INITIALLY IT WILL HAVE SEVEN CLASSES TOTALLING ABOUT 280 STUDENTS.

THE SCHOOL HAS ALREADY ARRANGED INTERVIEWS EARLY THIS MONTH FOR ENROLMENT OF FORM 1 STUDENTS IN SEPTEMBER.

WHEN FULLY ESTABLISHED IN ITS NEW PREMISES IN CHAI WAN IT WILL OFFER A VARIETY OF TECHNICAL, COMMERCIAL AND PRODUCTION SUBJECTS SUCH AS ENGINEERING METALWORK, ELECTRICAL STUDIES, TECHNICAL DRAWING, PRINTING AND BOOK-BINDING, CLOTHING AND RELATED TEXTILES, TYPING, OFFICE PRACTICE, BOOK-KEEPING AND RETAILING.

THERE ARE ALREADY 11 PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS WITH A TOTAL OF 7,500 STUDENTS. TWO ARE ON HONG KONG ISLAND, FIVE IN KOWLOON AND ONE EACH AT KWAI CHUNG, TSUEN WAN, TUEN MUN AND CHEUNG CHAU ISLAND.

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NEW FERRY PIER AT HUNG HOM
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THE NEW FERRY PIER AT HUNG HOM IS A VAST IMPROVEMENT ON THE OLD FACILITY AS COMMUTERS WILL SOON FIND OUT.

AND, THE CONCOURSE LEADING TO THE NEW FERRY PIER ALSO HAS TAKEN ON A NEW LOOK.

A PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (SUNDAY) THE PIER SHOULD BE FINISHED NEXT MONTH AND THE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CONCOURSE NOT LONG AFTER.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE NEW PIER TO THE SOUTH OF THE EXISTING FERRY LANDINGS PROVIDES TWO BERTHS CAPABLE OF HANDLING LARGER PASSENGER VESSELS.

+A SPECIAL FEATURE OF THE NEW COMPLEX, + HE SAID, +IS THE COVERED WALKWAY LINKING THE PIER WITH THE CONCOURSE AND THE NEARBY RAILWAY TERMINUS. THIS MEANS EASY AND CONVENIENT ACCESS BETWEEN THE TWO EMBARKATION POINTS. +

THE PIER IS A TWO-STOREY BUILDING WITH TWO BERTHS, EACH FITTED WITH ELECTRICALLY OPERATED LIFTS AND RAMPS.

IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CONCOURSE INCLUDE CONSTRUCTION OF A BUS TERMINUS, A TAXI STAND AND A PUBLIC LIGHT BUS TERMINUS. DRAINAGE IN THE AREA IS ALSO BEING IMPROVED.

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\$14M CHEUNG SHA-KEUNG SHAN ROAD IMPROVEMENT SCHEME
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THE \$14 MILLION PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT SCHEME TO IMPROVE SOUTH LANTAU ROAD FROM CHEUNG SHA TO KEUNG SHAN HAS TAKEN ANOTHER MAJOR STEP FORWARD FOLLOWING THE COMPLETION OF THE THIRD STAGE OF THE PROJECT.

MR. S.C. CHEN, CHIEF ENGINEER OF PWD'S HIGHWAYS (NEW TERRITORIES) DIVISION, RECALLED THAT WORK ON THE PHASED IMPROVEMENTS TO SOUTH LANTAU ROAD FIRST BEGAN IN AUGUST 1976.

WORK ON THE FIRST OF FOUR STAGES, FROM CHEUNG SHA TO TONG FUK, WAS COMPLETED IN SEPTEMBER 1977.

THIS WAS FOLLOWED CLOSELY BY THE COMPLETION OF THE SECOND STAGE OF THE PROJECT FROM CHEUNG SHA FIRE STATION TO TUNG CHUNG ROAD WHICH WAS FINISHED ABOUT TWO MONTHS LATER.

THE JUST COMPLETED THIRD STAGE INVOLVES THE SECTION OF ROAD BETWEEN TONG FUK AND SHUI HAU.

WORK ON THE FOURTH STAGE FROM SHUI HAU TO SHEK PIK HAS REACHED THE HALF-WAY MARK AND IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED TOWARDS THE END OF THE YEAR.

MR. CHEN SAID THE ORIGINAL ROAD WAS NARROW AND WINDING WITH A NUMBER OF SHARP BENDS AND PASSING BAYS.

HE ADDED THAT THE IMPROVEMENTS MAINLY INVOLVED WIDENING THE ROAD TO 7.3 METRES OR TWO TRAFFIC LANES AND CUTTING SHARP BENDS. THE ALIGNMENT AND GRADIENT WERE ALSO IMPROVED.

THE ENTIRE SCHEME, COVERING ABOUT SEVEN KILOMETRES OF ROAD, WILL TAKE JUST OVER THREE YEARS TO COMPLETE.

MR. CHEN DISCLOSED THAT TWO MORE STAGES WERE BEING PLANNED, THE FIRST COVERING THE SECTION OF ROAD FROM SHEK PIK TO THE 11-MILESTONE, SOUTH LANTAU ROAD, AND THE SECOND FROM THE 11-MILESTONE, SOUTH LANTAU ROAD, TO KEUNG SHAN.

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FIRE SERVICES TO HOLD ANNUAL ATHLETIC MEET

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FIREMEN FROM MACAU WILL TAKE PART IN THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S ANNUAL ATHLETIC MEET TOMORROW (MONDAY) AT THE SOUTH CHINA ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

THE 18-MEMBER TEAM IS LED BY THE COMMANDANT OF MACAU FIRE BRIGADE, MR. R.F.P. DE ASSIS.

THE ANNUAL MEET, ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT'S SPORTS AND WELFARE CLUB, COMPRISES 19 TRACK AND FIELD EVENTS.

HIGHLIGHT OF THE DAY WILL BE THE INTER-DEPARTMENTAL 4 X 100-METRE RELAY IN WHICH ATHLETES FROM 11 GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS WILL COMPETE.

THE DIRECTOR OF FIRE SERVICES, MR. F. WATSON, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY.

THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE PIPE BAND WILL PLAY DURING INTERVALS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE FIRE SERVICES ANNUAL ATHLETIC MEET TO BE HELD AT THE SOUTH CHINA ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, CAROLINE HILL ROAD, TOMORROW (MONDAY) AT 11 A.M.

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