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MORE LOCAL PURCHASES THAN EVER BY GOVERNMENT

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THE GOVERNMENT SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT HAS ENTERED ITS 40TH YEAR THIS YEAR WITH TWO MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS: ITS PURCHASES HAVE MORE THAN DOUBLED COMPARED WITH LAST YEAR'S FIGURES, TOPPING THE BILLION-DOLLAR MARK, AND A MAJOR PHASE OF ITS STOCK CONTROL COMPUTERISATION PROGRAMME HAS BEEN COMPLETED.

PURCHASES AMOUNTED TO \$1.883 BILLION FOR THE LAST FISCAL YEAR, AGAINST THE \$931 MILLION IN 1980/81.

THIS YEAR'S PURCHASES ARE LIKELY TO INCREASE BY ANOTHER 29 PER CENT.

THE DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT SUPPLIES, MR R. KILVERT, EXPLAINED THAT 70 PER CENT (IN VALUE) OF THE DEPARTMENT'S STORE HAVE BEEN COMPUTERISED UNDER A PROGRAMME BEGUN IN 1976 TO INTRODUCE DATA PROCESSING TO IMPROVE ALL PHASES OF THE DEPARTMENT'S OPERATIONS.

+THE MULTIPLICITY OF ACTIVITIES THE DEPARTMENT HAS TO GET INVOLVED WITH NOWADAYS HAS LITTLE RESEMBLANCE TO ITS EARLIER DAYS WHEN IT WAS NOT MUCH MORE THAN A POST BOX ROUTING MOST OF GOVERNMENT STORE REQUIREMENTS TO CROWN AGENTS IN LONDON. LOCAL PURCHASES WERE THEN RESTRICTED TO THE PURCHASE OF VERY BASIC LOCALLY MANUFACTURED ITEMS, INCLUDING THOSE MADE IN CHINA.+

+THE PRESENT DAY GSD IS CERTAINLY A LOT MORE THAN JUST A SUPER GODOWN, CONTRARY TO WHAT SOME PEOPLE THOUGHT,+ ADDED MR KILVERT, WHO JOINED THE DEPARTMENT IN 1951.

IN 1980/81, SOME 81 000 ITEMS VALUED AT A MONTHLY AVERAGE VALUE OF \$71 MILLION WERE HELD IN UNALLOCATED STOCK BUT DELIVERY FOR A REQUISITION WAS EFFECTED WITHIN 10 WORKING DAYS.

ON AVERAGE, DELIVERIES OF MORE THAN 44 000 ITEMS WERE MADE EACH MONTH BY THE DEPARTMENT, WHICH HAS A FLEET OF 25 LORRIES.

THE WORKLOAD HANDLED BY ITS TRANSPORTATION SECTIONS IN THE WHOLE YEAR EXCEEDED 13 420 LORRY-LOADS, IN ADDITION TO 2 200 LORRY-LOADS UNDERTAKEN BY COMMERCIAL CONTRACTORS. IT IS ALSO ANTICIPATED THAT THE WORKLOAD WILL INCREASE AT A RATE OF ABOUT 7.5 PER CENT PER ANNUM.

TO COPE WITH THIS CONSTANT FLOW OF SUPPLY, THE DEPARTMENT HAS TO CONCERN ITSELF NOT ONLY WITH STORAGE AND DISTRIBUTION BUT ALSO WITH FORECASTING DEMAND AND ARRANGING FOR THE NECESSARY PROCUREMENTS IN THE MOST ECONOMICAL AND RELIABLE MANNER.

AS A GENERAL RULE, PURCHASE CONTRACTS ARE LET AS A RESULT OF COMPETITION BY TENDER.

IN THE CASE OF BUYING THROUGH OPEN PUBLIC TENDER, INVITATIONS TO TENDER ARE PUBLISHED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE AND THE LEADING ENGLISH AND CHINESE NEWSPAPERS.

IN THE SELECTIVE TENDER PROCEDURE, INVITATIONS TO TENDER WHICH ARE NOT MADE PUBLIC ARE SENT TO REGISTERED SUPPLIERS ON APPROVED LISTS IN RESPECT OF EACH CLASS OF GOODS.

SINGLE TENDER CONTRACTS ARE CONCLUDED WHEN CIRCUMSTANCES DO NOT PERMIT RESORTING TO NORMAL COMPETITION FOR REASONS OF SECURITY OR WHEN THERE IS ONLY ONE KNOWN SOURCE OF SUPPLY. IT IS USED MAINLY IN THE PURCHASE OF PATENTED OR PROPRIETARY ITEMS, DEVELOPMENT WORK AND IN CERTAIN CASES OF UNFORESEEABLE URGENT REQUIREMENTS.

THE DEPARTMENT MAINTAINS A LIST OF REGISTERED SUPPLIERS WHICH INCLUDE 1 900 LOCAL SUPPLIERS AND 1 500 OVERSEAS SUPPLIERS. FIRMS, IN HONG KONG OR OVERSEAS, CAN APPLY FOR INCLUSION IN THE DEPARTMENT'S LIST OF REGISTERED SUPPLIERS IF THEY WILL PROVIDE DETAILS OF THEIR ORGANISATION AND THE GOODS THEY OFFER.

A SUCCESSFUL BID IN OPEN AND SELECTIVE TENDER IS NOT NECESSARILY THE ONE THAT OFFERS THE LOWEST PRICE QUOTATION BUT ONE THAT GIVES THE +BEST VALUE FOR MONEY+, MR KILVERT SAID.

THERE ARE, IN FACT, MULTI-LAYER CONTROL AND PROTECTIVE MECHANISMS TO ENSURE THAT CONTRACTS ARE AWARDED TO THE MOST DESERVING PARTY, WHICH MAY INVOLVE PAYMENT TERMS TO SUIT SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT.

THE STRICT CRITERIA FOR ASSESSING BIDS AND THE AWARDING OF CONTRACTS REQUIRED THAT TENDERS ARE RECEIVED UNDER SEALED COVER AND ARE OPENED BY COMMITTEES APPOINTED FOR THAT PURPOSE. DETAILS OF ALL OFFERS RECEIVED ARE RECORDED AND WHERE NECESSARY PASSED TO THE APPROPRIATE DEPARTMENTS FOR THEIR COMMENTS.

THE CONTRACT IS NORMALLY AWARDED TO THE BIDDER OFFERING BEST VALUE FOR MONEY AND THIS IS NORMALLY, BUT NOT ALWAYS, THE LOWEST BID MEETING THE REQUIREMENT.

+DEPENDING ON THE INDIVIDUAL CASE, THE CONSIDERATION WILL INCLUDE, APART FROM PRICE, LIFE IN SERVICE, SERVICING ARRANGEMENTS, COST OF REPLACEMENT PARTS AND THE DELIVERY. THE CONTRACTS MUST BE AWARDED TO THE BEST PUBLIC ADVANTAGE WITH DUE REGARD TO NORMAL COMMERCIAL CONSIDERATION,+ MR KILVERT EXPLAINED.

RESPONSES TO INVITATION TO TENDER ARE NORMALLY SUBMITTED IN STRICT PRIVACY. UNSUCCESSFUL TENDERERS ARE, UPON REQUEST, NOTIFIED WHY THEIR OFFERS HAVE NOT BEEN ACCEPTED.

MR KILVERT STRESSED THAT ALL CONTRACTING PROCESSES ARE SUBJECT TO MONITORING TO ENSURE THAT THE CONTRACTS ARE AWARDED PROPERLY AND FAIRLY AND THAT THERE ARE NO STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS, NOR ANY GUIDANCE OF A FORMAL OR INFORMAL CHARACTER ISSUED TO PROCUREMENT OFFICIALS, THAT THEY SHOULD GIVE PREFERENCE TO GOODS FROM ANY PARTICULAR SOURCE OF SUPPLY.

FIRMS NOT SATISFIED WITH THE REPLY OF THE CONTRACTING AUTHORITY MAY APPEAL TO THE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT AND SUCH APPEALS WOULD BE HANDLED BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CENTRAL TENDER BOARD.

THE DEPARTMENT'S PROCUREMENT PATTERN REACHED A TURNING POINT IN 1969/70 WHEN FOR THE FIRST TIME, THE VALUE OF ITS PURCHASES FROM LOCAL SUPPLIERS EXCEEDED THOSE BOUGHT THROUGH CROWN AGENTS.

THE REVERSAL FROM OVERSEAS TO LOCAL SOURCES OF SUPPLIES WAS ILLUSTRATED BY THE FACT THAT OF THE \$20.54 MILLION IN PURCHASES MADE IN 1946/47, ONLY 40 PER CENT IN VALUE OF THE CONTRACTS WERE PLACED WITH LOCAL SUPPLIERS. BY 1981/82, HOWEVER, 80 PER CENT OF THE \$1.88 BILLION IN TOTAL PURCHASES WERE MADE THROUGH LOCAL SUPPLIERS. THE AMOUNT INCLUDED 156 MILLION DOLLARS OF CHINESE GOODS.

THE STEADY DECREASE IN COMMISSIONS PAID TO CROWN AGENTS DROPPED EVEN FURTHER IN 1981/82 BY DIRECT BUYING OVERSEAS. DIRECT PURCHASE FROM FOREIGN MANUFACTURERS AND SUPPLIERS AMOUNTED TO \$99 MILLION, WHICH SAVED \$5.2 MILLION IN AGENT COMMISSION.

PURCHASES THROUGH CROWN AGENTS IN 1980/81 AMOUNTED TO \$80 MILLION, FOR WHICH FOUR MILLION DOLLARS WERE PAID TO CROWN AGENTS AS CHARGES AND COMMISSIONS.

ASIDE FROM GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, CHARITABLE ORGANISATIONS ALSO BENEFIT FROM GSD'S PURCHASING PRACTICE IN BUYING NECESSARY STOCKS IN BULK AND OFTEN AT THE LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICE. THE STOCKS, A MAJOR PART OF THEM CONSISTED OF MEDICINE, WERE THEN RESOLD TO APPROVED CHARITIES AT COST, WHICH AMOUNTED TO \$9.19 MILLION IN 1980/81.

GSD BECAME AN INDEPENDENT DEPARTMENT IN 1941 BUT ITS WORK WAS QUICKLY INTERRUPTED BY THE JAPANESE INVASION IN WORLD WAR II. MOST OF ITS PRE-WAR RECORDS WERE ALSO DESTROYED. IT WAS RE-ESTABLISHED AS THE GOVERNMENT STORES DEPARTMENT IN 1946 AND AS ITS NAME INDICATES, ITS ROLE THEN WAS MAINLY THAT OF BASIC STOCK-KEEPING.

BUT OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES WERE ADDED ON TO IT OVER THE YEARS, AND THE INCREASING COMPLEXITY OF THE PURCHASES HAVE MADE IT INTO A HIGHLY ORGANISED DEPARTMENT FOR THE PROCUREMENT, STORAGE AND DISTRIBUTION OF SUPPLIES REQUIRED BY THE GOVERNMENT AND CERTAIN SUBVENTED ORGANISATIONS. ITS ACTIVITIES ARE NOW DIVIDED INTO FOUR MAIN CATEGORIES, INCLUDING: STORAGE AND DISTRIBUTION, PROCUREMENT, PROVISION AND INSPECTION, AND ADMINISTRATION. THE LATTER COMPRISED A DATA PROCESSING UNIT THAT RUNS A COMPUTERISED INVENTORY CONTROL SYSTEM, A SUPPLIES SURVEY AND STOCK VERIFICATION UNIT, A STAFF TRAINING UNIT AND GENERAL ADMINISTRATION AND ACCOUNTS.

ITS STAFF OF 770 TRAINED PERSONNEL ARE DISTRIBUTED AMONG ITS FIVE DEPOTS, WHICH INCLUDE 11 GODOWNS THAT PROVIDE A TOTAL OF 69 600 SQUARE METRES IN COVERED AND OPEN STORAGE SPACE. THIS CAPACITY, HOWEVER, IS EXPECTED TO BE EXPANDED WITHIN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS UNDER A REDEVELOPMENT AND REGIONALISATION PLAN THAT MAY SEE THE RELOCATION OF SOME DEPOTS AND ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW ONES.

IT MAY ALSO INVOLVE THE REMOVAL OF ITS HEADQUARTERS FROM ITS PRESENT SITE IN NORTH POINT WHICH HAS BECOME TOO VALUABLE COMMERCIALY FOR STORAGE USE. IN ADDITION TO THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICES, THE HEADQUARTERS SITE ALSO SERVES AS ONE OF THE DEPARTMENT'S MAIN DEPOTS.

MR KILVERT SAID THAT MORE DEPOTS, POSSIBLY SMALLER THAN THE CURRENT ONES, WILL BE SET UP IN CAREFULLY SELECTED SITES ON BOTH SIDES OF THE HARBOUR.

+THIS WILL ENABLE US TO PROVIDE EVEN BETTER AND SPEEDIER SERVICES THROUGH THESE STRATEGICALLY LOCATED DEPOTS STOCKED WITH STORES MORE LIKELY TO BE REQUIRED IN THEIR RESPECTIVE LOCALITIES.+

IT IS ALSO EXPECTED THAT GSD PERSONNEL WOULD NEED TO BE INCREASED BY 150 TO AN ESTIMATED TOTAL MANPOWER OF 920 IN THREE YEARS.

A FURTHER INDICATION OF THE MASSIVE INCREASE IN THE WORKLOAD OF GSD, MR KILVERT SAID, IS IN THE VALUE OF THE DEPARTMENT'S YEAR-END STOCKHOLDINGS, WHICH WAS ONLY \$28.85 MILLION IN 1969. IT HAS EXCEEDED \$70 MILLION SINCE 1979.

STOCKS ARE CLASSIFIED INTO TEN DIFFERENT CATEGORIES OF STORES, THE MOST VALUABLE ONES ARE CIVIL ENGINEERING ITEMS AND MEDICAL ITEMS, WHICH USUALLY CONSTITUTED ABOUT HALF OF THE VALUE OF THE ENTIRE STOCK.

ONE OF THE LEAST KNOWN ASPECTS OF THE DEPARTMENT'S ACTIVITIES, HOWEVER, HAPPENS TO BE ALSO A REVENUE GENERATING ONE.

SALE OF CONFISCATED AND UNCLAIMED GOODS AND UNSERVICEABLE PROPERTY BY THE DEPARTMENT TOOK IN \$2.5 MILLION LAST YEAR.

VALUABLE CONFISCATED GOODS, INCLUDING VEHICLES, RADIOS, CASSETTE AND TAPE-RECORDERS, BROUGHT THE GOVERNMENT \$590 000.

UNCLAIMED GOODS, WORTH \$93 000 AND CONSISTING MAINLY OF UNDELIVERED PARCELS, WERE OPENED UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF A CUSTOMS AND EXCISE SERVICE OFFICER TO DETECT DANGEROUS DRUGS AND OTHER CONTRABANDS. FOOD AND MEDICINE FOUND IN UNCLAIMED PARCELS ARE DESTROYED WHILE OTHER USABLE ITEMS ARE DISTRIBUTED TO CHARITABLE ORGANISATIONS.

SALE OF UNSERVICEABLE GOVERNMENT PROPERTY, HOWEVER, BROUGHT IN \$1.8 MILLION. THESE GOODS INCLUDED UNIFORM, FURNITURE AND VARIOUS TYPES OF EQUIPMENT.

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#### SPECIAL TRAINS FOR DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL

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THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY WILL RUN FOUR ADDITIONAL PASSENGER TRAINS ON FRIDAY (JUNE 25), THE TUEN NG (DRAGON BOAT) FESTIVAL, FOR PEOPLE GOING TO SEE DRAGON BOAT RACES IN TAI PO.

TWO SPECIAL UP TRAINS WILL LEAVE KOWLOON STATION AT 8.13 AM AND 9.23 AM, ARRIVING AT TAI PO MARKET STATION AT 8.53 AM AND 10.12 AM.

TWO SPECIAL DOWN TRAINS WILL LEAVE TAI PO MARKET STATION AT 9.34 AM AND 4.50 PM.

ELECTRIC PASSENGER TRAINS WILL OPERATE BETWEEN HUNG HOM AND SHA TIN AT 10 MINUTES INTERVAL AS USUAL.

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EXPANSION OF GOVERNMENT ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL WORKSHOPS  
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AN EXTENSION WILL SOON BE ADDED TO THE EXISTING ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL WORKSHOPS OF THE ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL OFFICE AT SUNG WONG TOI ROAD, KOWLOON.

THE ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE OF THE BUILDING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE ABOVE PROJECT.

THE WORKS INVOLVE THE BUILDING OF A TWO-STOREY WORKSHOP EXTENSION, WITH A BASEMENT AND A THREE-STOREY OFFICE BLOCK ON A SITE OF ABOUT 7 600 SQUARE METRES NEXT TO THE EXISTING WORKSHOP.

THE FACILITIES TO BE PROVIDED WILL INCLUDE OFFICE ACCOMMODATION, EXPANSION FOR THE WORKSHOPS AND ADDITIONAL SPACE FOR VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE.

CONSTRUCTION WORK IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN IN AUGUST AND WILL TAKE ABOUT TWO YEARS TO FINISH.

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FIRST SUMMER SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION  
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THE PHYSICAL EDUCATION SECTION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S ADVISORY INSPECTORATE IS INVITING TEACHERS TO TAKE PART IN ITS FIRST SUMMER SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION TO BE HELD NEXT MONTH.

THE SCHOOL WILL PROVIDE A TOTAL OF 20 PHYSICAL EDUCATION COURSES, INCLUDING THE COACHING OF BADMINTON, FOOTBALL, SQUASH AND VOLLEYBALL AND TRAMPOLINING CLINIC FOR P.E. TEACHERS. THESE COURSES WILL BE HELD FROM JULY 19 TO 31 IN VARIOUS PLACES.

ALL COURSES, EXCEPT THOSE RESIDENTIAL COURSES TO BE CONDUCTED IN JUBILEE SPORTS CENTRE, WILL BE FREE, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY.

HE ADDED THAT ONLY IN-SERVICE TEACHERS WHO WERE REGISTERED WITH THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AS REGISTERED TEACHERS OR PERMITTED TEACHERS WERE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY TO ATTEND THE SUMMER SCHOOL.

A CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE WILL BE ISSUED TO TEACHERS WHO HAVE COMPLETED THE COURSE SATISFACTORILY.

APPLICATION FORMS FOR THE SUMMER SCHOOL ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE PHYSICAL EDUCATION SECTION AT KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 7/F., 405 NATHAN ROAD. TEACHERS SHOULD RETURN THE COMPLETED FORMS TO THE SECTION BEFORE JUNE 30.

ENQUIRIES CONCERNING THE SUMMER SCHOOL MAY BE MADE ON 3-884111 EXT. 269 OR 280.

SUMMER PROGRAMMES AT TUEN MUN SPORTSGROUND

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TWO SEPARATE TRACK AND FIELD PROGRAMMES WILL BE HELD AT TUEN MUN TANG SHIU KIN SPORTSGROUND DURING THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS TO PROVIDE RECREATION AND ATHLETIC TRAINING FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN TUEN MUN.

ORGANISERS OF THE PROGRAMMES ARE THE NEW TERRITORIES SCHOOLS SPORTS ASSOCIATION'S TUEN MUN BRANCH AND THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

ONE PROGRAMME WILL PROVIDE TRAINING FOR STUDENTS RECOMMENDED BY THEIR SCHOOLS AND THE OTHER WILL OFFER SPORT FACILITIES FOR RESIDENTS OF TUEN MUN IN GENERAL.

TRAINING MEMBERS WILL RECEIVE COURSES ON JOGGING, RUNNING, HURDLE, LONG JUMP, TRIPLE JUMP, SHOT PUT, DISCUS AND JAVELIN, SAID A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

THESE COURSES WILL BE GIVEN BY THE NEW TERRITORIES SCHOOLS SPORTS ASSOCIATION AT THE SPORTSGROUND EVERY MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY FROM 9 AM TO 11 AM.

THE SPORTSGROUND WILL BE AVAILABLE FREE OF CHARGE FOR NON-TRAINING MEMBERS BETWEEN 9 AM AND 5 PM FROM JULY 19 TO AUGUST 31, EXCLUDING SUNDAYS, FOR SPORTS OTHER THAN JOGGING WHICH WILL BE PERMITTED BETWEEN 7 AM AND 7 PM.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE TUEN MUN TANG SHIU KIN SPORTSGROUND AND THE TUEN MUN URBAN SERVICES OFFICE IN TOP COURT, FIRST FLOOR, 60-70 TAK CHING COURT, TUEN MUN.

APPLICANTS FOR TRAINING MEMBERSHIP SHOULD SUBMIT THEIR FORMS THROUGH THEIR SCHOOLS TO THE NEW TERRITORIES SCHOOLS SPORTS ASSOCIATION.

FORMS FOR NON-TRAINING MEMBERSHIP SHOULD BE SENT TOGETHER WITH SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPES TO THE RECREATION PROMOTION UNIT (NORTH REGION) OF THE NTSD AT GARAGE NO. 1, GROUND FLOOR, TAI YUEN ESTATE, TING KOK ROAD, TAIPO.

FURTHER DETAILS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE RECREATION PROMOTION UNIT (NORTH REGION) OF THE NTSD AT 0-6575538.

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TENDERS FOR LAYING OF WATER MAINS

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THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE LAYING OF ABOUT 3 750 METRES OF FRESH WATER MAINS, RANGING FROM 150 MM TO 800 MM IN DIAMETER, IN FANLING/SHEK WU HUI NEW TOWN.

THE PROJECT FORMS PART OF THE SHEUNG SHUI/FANLING WATER SUPPLY - STAGE 1 PROGRAMME AND WILL INCREASE THE CAPACITY OF THE EXISTING WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM TO KWU TUNG AND THE NEW TOWN.

WORK WILL COMMENCE IN AUGUST AND TAKE ABOUT 16 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

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### NEW STUDY ROOM FOR TAI PO STUDENTS

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A RURAL COMMITTEE IN TAI PO HAS JOINED OTHER LOCAL ORGANISATIONS IN OPENING STUDY ROOMS FOR STUDENTS TO PREPARE FOR THEIR EXAMINATIONS.

THE LATEST ADDITION BRINGS THE TOTAL NUMBER OF STUDY ROOMS IN THE DISTRICT TO 11 AND THE TOTAL CAPACITY TO 450.

THE NEW STUDY ROOM AT THE TAI PO TSAT YEUK RURAL COMMITTEE OFFICE IN HEI YUEN STREET, TAI PO MARKET, OPENS DURING OFFICE HOURS FROM MONDAY TO SATURDAY.

THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR NICKY LO, SAID THE IDEA OF SETTING UP STUDY ROOMS IN THE OFFICES OF LOCAL ORGANISATIONS WAS INITIATED BY DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS.

+TEN CENTRES HAVE BEEN OPENED SINCE APRIL FOLLOWING DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN THE DISTRICT OFFICE, SCHOOLS, INSTITUTIONS AND GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS,+ HE SAID.

+CONVENIENTLY LOCATED AT THE TOWN CENTRE, VILLAGES, TAI YUEN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE AND YUE KOK TEMPORARY HOUSING AREA, THESE STUDY ROOMS HAVE PROVED VERY POPULAR AND MORE THAN 8 000 STUDENTS HAVE USED THEM SINCE THEIR OPENING.+

THE STUDY ROOMS WILL REMAIN OPEN UNTIL JULY WHEN STUDENTS WILL BEGIN THEIR SUMMER HOLIDAYS.

A TIME TABLE LISTING THE LOCATION, OPENING HOURS, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF EACH STUDY ROOM IS AVAILABLE FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICE.

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### FRESH WATER CUT IN SHA TIN

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN AREAS IN SHA TIN WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR SEVEN HOURS FROM 10 AM TO 5 PM ON TUESDAY (JUNE 22) FOR WATER MAINS CONNECTION.

PREMISES AFFECTED ARE THOSE ALONG TAI PO ROAD FROM FO TAN TO THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY, INCLUDING THE SHA TIN RACE COURSE AND THE MAFOO QUARTERS, HO TUNG LAU TSUEN, LOK LO HA TSUEN, RED BRIDGE AND SEA VIEW VILLAS, THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY AND KAU TO VILLAGE.

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TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS

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VEHICLES TRAVELLING NORTHWARDS ON SHU KUK STREET IN NORTH POINT WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO TURN LEFT INTO JAVA ROAD WESTBOUND FROM 10 AM ON TUESDAY (JUNE 22).

AT THE SAME TIME, RIGHT TURNING MOVEMENT FROM KAM HONG STREET INTO JAVA ROAD WESTBOUND WILL BE BANNED.

IN WONG CHUK HANG, THE MIDDLE SECTION ON YIP KAN STREET WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL TRAFFIC FROM 10 AM ON WEDNESDAY (JUNE 23) FOR ROAD WORKS.

DURING THE CLOSURE, WHICH WILL LAST ABOUT SEVEN DAYS, THE REMAINING SECTIONS OF YIP KAN STREET WILL BE RE-ROUTED TWO WAY.

AND IN TAI KOK TSUI, A TEMPORARY LORRY PARK WILL BE OPENED AT BEECH STREET IN TAI KOK TSUI FROM 8 AM ON WEDNESDAY (JUNE 23).

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SAID 80 METERED SPACES WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR GOODS VEHICLES.

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FRESH WATER CUT IN SAI KUNG

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN AREAS IN SAI KUNG WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR 10 HOURS FROM 9 PM ON TUESDAY (JUNE 22) TO 7 AM ON WEDNESDAY (JUNE 23) TO FACILITATE WATER MAINS CONNECTION.

PREMISES AFFECTED WILL BE THOSE LOCATED ALONG CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD BETWEEN ANDERSON ROAD AND HIRAM'S HIGHWAY, INCLUDING PIK UK CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION, TA KU LING, TSENG LAN SHUE, PAK SHEK TERRACE, RAZOR HILL AND THOSE EN ROUTE VILLAGES AND VILLAS.

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