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AUGUST WAS HOT AND DRY

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AUGUST WAS HOTTER AND DRIER THAN USUAL, ACCORDING TO THE MONTHLY WEATHER SUMMARY ISSUED BY THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY TODAY.

THE MONTH'S MEAN TEMPERATURE OF 28.8 DEGREES CELSIUS WAS THE FOURTH HIGHEST ON RECORD FOR AUGUST SINCE 1884.

ITS MEAN MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE OF 31.7 DEGREES WAS ALSO THE EIGHTH HIGHEST RECORD FOR AUGUST WHILE THE MEAN MINIMUM TEMPERATURE OF 26.7 DEGREES WAS THIRD.

THE TOTAL RAINFALL OF THE MONTH CAME TO 250 MM WHICH WAS 170.2 MM BELOW AVERAGE.

THE ACCUMULATED RAINFALL FOR THE FIRST EIGHT MONTHS OF THIS YEAR STOOD AT 1 389.3 MM, 20 PER CENT BELOW NORMAL.

HOWEVER, THE MONTH RECORDED A TOTAL OF 229.1 HOURS OF SUNSHINE WHICH IS 23 HOURS ABOVE NORMAL.

THE FIRST FOUR DAYS OF THE MONTH WERE SUNNY AND HOT EXCEPT FOR SOME MORNING SHOWERS ON AUGUST 2 AND 3.

A TROUGH OF LOW PRESSURE OVER SOUTH CHINA BROUGHT UNSETTLED WEATHER ON THE FOLLOWING FIVE DAYS. THUNDERSTORMS WERE REPORTED ON AUGUST 5, 7 AND 9.

A TOTAL OF 199.5 MM OF RAIN WAS RECORDED AT JUBILEE RESERVOIR IN THE 24 HOURS ENDED AT 9 AM ON AUGUST 7. SERIOUS FLOODINGS IN THE TSUEN WAN AND KWAI CHUNG AREAS WERE REPORTED THAT DAY AND FLOODING WAS AGAIN REPORTED ON CASTLE PEAK ROAD IN TSUEN WAN ON AUGUST 9.

THE MONTH'S MINIMUM TEMPERATURE OF 25 DEGREES WAS RECORDED DURING A THUNDERSTORM ON AUGUST 7.

THE FOLLOWING WEEK WAS FINE AND HOT, WITH A FEW ISOLATED MORNING SHOWERS ON AUGUST 10, 12 AND 13. THE MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE OF THE MONTH, 32.9 DEGREES, WAS RECORDED ON AUGUST 17.

SCATTERED SHOWERS AND ISOLATED THUNDERSTORMS OCCURRED DURING THE EVENING OF AUGUST 17 WHEN A TROPICAL DEPRESSION WAS CENTRED OVER THE SOUTH CHINA SEA.

STRONG EASTERLY WINDS WERE EXPERIENCED IN MANY LOCATIONS ON AUGUST 18 WHILE SHOWERS BECAME MORE FREQUENT.

WINDS ABATED EARLY ON AUGUST 19. THE WEATHER ALSO IMPROVED DURING THE DAY BUT SOME THUNDERSTORMS WERE EXPERIENCED THAT EVENING AND THE FOLLOWING MORNING.

THERE WERE OCCASIONAL SHOWERS ON AUGUST 20 AND IN THE EARLY MORNING THE NEXT DAY, WHILE THUNDERSTORMS OCCURRED ON THE NIGHT OF AUGUST 22. HOWEVER, THE WEATHER BECAME SUNNY AND HOT AGAIN FROM AUGUST 23 TO 26.

/THUNDERSTORMS RECURRED .....

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THUNDERSTORMS RECURRED IN THE AFTERNOON OF AUGUST 27 BUT THE WEATHER IMPROVED SOON AFTERWARDS AND THERE WERE SUNNY INTERVALS THE FOLLOWING DAY.

A TROUGH OF LOW PRESSURE ASSOCIATED WITH TROPICAL STORM NORRIS WHICH SWEEP ACROSS TAIWAN ON AUGUST 28 BROUGHT THUNDERSTORMS ON AUGUST 29 AND 30 AND HEAVY SHOWERS PERSISTED ON AUGUST 31.

NO 1 STANDBY SIGNAL WAS HOISTED ON AUGUST 16 AND NO 3 ON AUGUST 18 AS A RESULT OF THE TROPICAL DEPRESSION WHICH FORMED ABOUT 180 NAUTICAL MILES EAST OF MANILA AND PASSED ABOUT 140 NAUTICAL MILES TO THE SOUTHWEST OF HONG KONG. ALL SIGNALS WERE LOWERED IN THE EARLY MORNING OF AUGUST 19.

NO AIRCRAFT WERE DIVERTED FROM HONG KONG DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER DURING THE MONTH BUT THUNDERSTORM WARNINGS WERE ISSUED ON 13 DAYS.

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PLAN FOR CAUSEWAY AT DEEP BAY  
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THE GOVERNMENT INTENDS TO RECLAIM ABOUT EIGHT HECTARES OF FORESHORE AND SEABED IN DEEP BAY BETWEEN TSIM BEI TSUI AND YUEN LONG STREAM FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A CAUSEWAY. THE CAUSEWAY WILL CARRY A ROAD.

THE EXTENT OF THE AREA INVOLVED IS DESCRIBED IN THE LATEST ISSUE OF THE GAZETTE.

OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSAL OR CLAIMS OF PRIVATE RIGHT SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS WITHIN A PERIOD OF TWO MONTHS.

THE NOTICE, IN CHINESE AND ENGLISH, WITH A RELATED PLAN CAN BE SEEN ON NOTICE BOARDS POSTED NEAR THE SITE.

THE PLAN SHOWING THE AREA OF FORESHORE AND SEABED MAY ALSO BE INSPECTED AT THE PORT WORKS DIVISION, FIRST FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG- AT THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, 19TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING- AND AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE YUEN LONG, YUEN LONG DISTRICT BRANCH OFFICE, NEW TERRITORIES.

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ADVICE FOR UK BOUND STUDENTS

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STUDENTS WISHING TO ENTER COLLEGES OF FURTHER EDUCATION AND POLYTECHNICS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM SHOULD NOTE THAT APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED FROM NOVEMBER 1 THIS YEAR FOR ADMISSION IN SEPTEMBER OR OCTOBER 1981.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY APPLICATIONS COULD BE MADE THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT AND ALL RELEVANT DOCUMENTS SHOULD REACH THE OVERSEAS STUDENTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS SECTION BEFORE JUNE 30, 1981.

HE ADDED HOWEVER THAT SPECIAL ATTENTION SHOULD BE PAID TO SPECIFIC APPLICATION DEADLINES REQUIRED BY CERTAIN PROFESSIONAL COURSES IN POLYTECHNICS WHICH COULD BE AS EARLY AS MARCH.

+LATE APPLICATIONS WILL USUALLY NOT BE CONSIDERED UNLESS THE STUDENT CAN PRODUCE EVIDENCE THAT THE COLLEGE CONCERNED IS STILL WILLING TO CONSIDER HIS APPLICATION,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

FURTHERMORE, HE SAID, APPLICANTS ON +SANDWICH+ COURSES OFFERED BY POLYTECHNICS SHOULD ENSURE THAT THEY HAVE THE PRACTICAL TRAINING PART OF THE COURSE ARRANGED BEFORE LEAVING HONG KONG.

SANDWICH COURSES INVOLVE ATTENDING CLASSES AT THE POLYTECHNIC AND PRACTICAL TRAINING IN FACTORIES OR OTHER INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES.

+MOREOVER, STUDENTS SHOULD NOTE THAT INDUSTRIAL SPONSORSHIP IS EXTREMELY DIFFICULT TO ARRANGE AND THEY ARE THEREFORE ADVISED TO APPLY FOR FULL-TIME COURSES RATHER THAN SANDWICH COURSES,+ THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO APPLY FOR ADMISSION TO PUBLIC OR INDEPENDENT (PRIVATE) SCHOOLS IN BRITAIN, EARLY APPLICATION IS ADVISABLE, PREFERABLY ONE YEAR IN ADVANCE.

SUCH APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE MADE BY PARENTS OR GUARDIANS DIRECT TO THE SCHOOLS. THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AND THE STUDENT ADVISER, HONG KONG GOVERNMENT OFFICE IN LONDON DO NOT UNDERTAKE TO PLACE BOYS AND GIRLS IN THEM.

+HOWEVER, STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENTS MAY OBTAIN GENERAL INFORMATION AND ADVICE ON THESE SCHOOLS FROM THE OVERSEAS STUDENTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS SECTION,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

WITH REGARD TO ADMISSION TO A BRITISH UNIVERSITY, APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE MADE ONE YEAR IN ADVANCE THROUGH THE UNIVERSITIES CENTRAL COUNCIL ON ADMISSION (UCCA) IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.

/UCCA FORMS .....

UCCA FORMS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE OVERSEAS STUDENTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS SECTION FROM EARLY SEPTEMBER EACH YEAR. APPLICANTS SHOULD RETURN COMPLETED FORMS BY THEMSELVES TO THE COUNCIL BEFORE OCTOBER 15 FOR THOSE INCLUDING OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE AMONG THE UNIVERSITY ENTRIES- OR DECEMBER 15 FOR THOSE NOT INCLUDING THESE TWO UNIVERSITIES.

THE SPOKESMAN ADVISED STUDENTS PROCEEDING TO THE UNITED KINGDOM TO STUDY TO HAVE SUFFICIENT FUNDS TO MEET ALL EXPENSES. +OVERSEAS STUDENTS THERE CANNOT OBTAIN FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, AND IT IS NOT POSSIBLE FOR STUDENTS TO WORK THEIR WAY THROUGH COLLEGE,+ HE SAID.

THE COST OF LIVING IN THE UNITED KINGDOM IS HIGH, AND THE ANNUAL EXPENSES FOR A STUDENT MAY NOW RANGE FROM 4 500 POUNDS-STERLING TO 7 500 POUNDS-STERLING DEPENDING ON HIS COURSE OF STUDY.

APPLICANTS OVER THE AGE OF 18 MAY APPLY FOR ACCOMMODATION IN THE HONG KONG STUDENTS CENTRE IN LONDON AND THIS SHOULD BE MADE THROUGH THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

STUDENTS WISHING TO APPLY FOR A PLACE IN THE CENTRE AND WHO WISH TO OBTAIN THE HELP AND ADVICE OF THE STUDENT ADVISER OR THE BRITISH COUNCIL DURING THEIR STAY IN THE UNITED KINGDOM SHOULD COMPLETE ALL FORMALITIES WITH THE DEPARTMENT AT LEAST ONE MONTH BEFORE THEIR DEPARTURE.

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+WEDDING BUSES+ ATTRACT CROWDS  
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THREE COUPLES IN WEDDING DRESSES TODAY RODE SEPARATELY ON THREE +WEDDING BUSES+ AND MADE DAY-LONG TOURS OF HONG KONG ISLAND, KOWLOON AND THE NEW TERRITORIES TO SPREAD THE MESSAGE OF +HAPPY MARRIAGE, HAPPY LIFE+.

DECORATED WITH BALLOONS, POSTERS AND BANNERS, THE BUSES ATTRACTED THE ATTENTION OF MANY HOLIDAY-MAKERS ON THE MAIN TRAFFIC ROUTES.

LARGE CROWDS OF PEOPLE GATHERED AT THE STOPOVERS TO WATCH THE +BRIDES AND BRIDEGROOMS+ AS THEY ALIGHTED TO HAND OUT BOOKLETS AND LEAFLETS TO PROMOTE HAPPINESS IN MARRIAGE.

THE +WEDDING TOURS+ WERE PART OF THE TERRITORY-WIDE FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT AND VOLUNTARY AGENCIES TO FOSTER A POSITIVE ATTITUDE TOWARDS MARRIAGE.

WITH ITS THEME ON +MARITAL RELATIONSHIP+, THE CAMPAIGN AIMS TO REMOVE MARITAL CONFLICTS TO FORESTALL FAMILY BREAKDOWNS AND TO IMPART KNOWLEDGE ON PREPARATION FOR, ADJUSTMENT IN, AND ENRICHMENT OF MARRIAGE.

THE BUSES, CONVERTED FROM CITY BUSES, STARTED ON THEIR JOURNEYS ALMOST AT THE SAME TIME IN THE MORNING ON BOTH SIDES OF THE HARBOUR.

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AT EACH STOPOVER, THEY WERE PARKED FOR BRIEF PERIODS FOR THE +BRIDES AND BRIDEGROOMS+ TO MIX WITH THE CROWDS. BANDS PLAYED AND PARADED TO THE DELIGHT OF ON-LOOKERS.

SLOGANS WERE BROADCAST TO BRING HOME THE MESSAGES OF +GOOD PRE-MARITAL PREPARATION IS THE SEED OF HAPPINESS IN MARRIAGE+, +HAPPY MARRIED COUPLE RESPECT, CARE AND ARE CONSIDERATE TO EACH OTHER+, AND +LOVE, RESPECT AND MUTUAL SUPPORT ARE ESSENTIAL FOR HAPPY MARRIAGE+.

MEANWHILE, THE SECOND SPECIAL TELEVISION SHOW TO PROMOTE HARMONIOUS MARITAL RELATIONSHIP WILL BE SCREENED ON RTV 1 ON WEDNESDAY (SEPTEMBER 10) AT 9.30 PM.

IT IS ONE OF A SERIES OF 13 WEEKLY TV SHOWS, +FAMILY QUIZ+, JOINTLY PRODUCED BY RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG AND THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT AS ANOTHER CAMPAIGN PROGRAMME.

THE HALF-HOUR SHOWS ARE BOTH EDUCATIONAL AND ENTERTAINING, FEATURING QUIZ AND COMPETITIVE GAMES WHICH TEST THE CLOSE COOPERATION AND MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING OF PARTICIPATING FAMILY MEMBERS.

THEY ARE BEING SCREENED ON WEDNESDAY EVENINGS ON RTV 1.

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#### RAILWAY IMPROVEMENT WORKS

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THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR DOUBLE TRACKING THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY AND ASSOCIATED WORKS FROM SHEUNG SHUI TO LO WU STATION.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY THAT THE PROJECT WOULD PLAY AN IMPORTANT PART IN THE KCR MODERNISATION AND ELECTRIFICATION PROGRAMME.

IT CONSISTS OF A WIDENED EMBANKMENT AND A SECOND TRACK OF ABOUT THREE KILOMETRES LONG, AND THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THREE EXISTING BRIDGES.

ON COMPLETION, HE SAID, THERE WILL BE MAJOR IMPROVEMENTS TO BOTH PASSENGER AND FREIGHT CARRYING CAPACITY TO MEET THE NEW REQUIREMENTS OF THE RAILWAY.

ALSO INCLUDED IN THE CONTRACT IS THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FENCE ALONG EACH SIDE OF THE TRACKS. THIS WILL ENSURE THE SAFE OPERATION OF THE ELECTRIFIED TRAIN SERVICE AND SAFEGUARD THE PUBLIC IN VIEW OF INCREASED TRAIN SPEED AND FREQUENCY.

WORK IS EXPECTED TO START IN NOVEMBER AND BE COMPLETED BY MID-1982.

THE PROJECT HAS BEEN DESIGNED AND CONSTRUCTION WILL BE SUPERVISED BY THE PWD RAILWAY DIVISION ON BEHALF OF THE KCR.

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PRISONS RECRUITMENT CENTRE SET UP IN CDO'S  
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THE PRISONS DEPARTMENT IS BEGINNING A NEW RECRUITMENT DRIVE TO ENCOURAGE MORE PEOPLE TO JOIN THE SERVICE.

FROM TOMORROW (MONDAY), A MOBILE RECRUITMENT CENTRE WITH PRISON OFFICERS ON HAND TO ANSWER QUERIES, WILL BE SET UP IN ROTATION AT CITY DISTRICT OFFICES ON WEEKDAYS DURING OFFICE HOURS.

THE MOBILE CENTRE WILL BE AT THE CDO AT :

- \* WAN CHAI (TUNG WAH MANSION, 201 HENNESSY ROAD) ON SEPTEMBER 8, 9 AND 10,
- \* EASTERN (884-886 KING'S ROAD) ON SEPTEMBER 11, 12 AND 15,
- \* MONG KOK (157 PRINCE EDWARD ROAD, TUNG PING BUILDING) ON SEPTEMBER 16, 17 AND 18,
- \* SHAM SHUI PO (299-303 LAI CHI KOK ROAD) ON SEPTEMBER 19, 22 AND 23,
- \* WONG TAI SIN (SAN PO KONG GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, 4TH FLOOR, NORTH WING, KING FUK STREET) ON SEPTEMBER 26, 29 AND 30, AND
- \* KWUN TONG (KWUN TONG DISTRICT BRANCH OFFICES BUILDING, TUNG YAN STREET) ON OCTOBER 1, 2 AND 3.

ANYONE INTERESTED IN A MEANINGFUL CAREER WITH THE PRISON SERVICE IS WELCOME TO CALL AT ANY OF THE CITY DISTRICT OFFICES FOR MORE INFORMATION. THEY CAN ALSO TELEPHONE THE DEPARTMENT'S RECRUITING OFFICE ON 5-938455 FOR AN APPOINTMENT.

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NT NORTH DISTRICT HOLDS LANTERN DESIGN COMPETITION  
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NORTH DISTRICT OF THE NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION IS HOLDING A LANTERN DESIGN COMPETITION AS PART OF ITS FIRST ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS.

THERE WILL BE NO RESTRICTIONS ON SIZE, COLOUR OR MATERIAL USED.

+THE LANTERNS CAN BE AS IMAGINATIVE AS POSSIBLE. BEAUTY WILL BE THE MAIN CONSIDERATION,+ A NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE COMPETITION CONSISTS OF PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL DIVISIONS CONFINED TO LOCAL STUDENTS AND AN OPEN DIVISION WHICH ANYONE CAN ENTER.

/THE WINNER .....

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THE WINNER OF THE OPEN DIVISION WILL BE AWARDED \$1 000, WHILE WINNERS OF THE OTHER DIVISIONS WILL EACH RECEIVE \$100. THERE WILL BE A TOTAL OF 30 PRIZES.

ENTRIES SHOULD BE SENT TO SHEUNG SHUI SOCIAL CENTRE, FANLING ROTARY YOUTH CENTRE, OR SHEUNG SHUI, FANLING, SHA TAU KOK AND TA KWU LING RURAL COMMITTEE OFFICES BY SEPTEMBER 15.

PRIZES WILL BE PRESENTED AT A VARIETY SHOW TO BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 22 - THE EVE OF THE MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL - AT SHEK WU HUI PLAYGROUND, WHERE ALL ENTRIES WILL BE PUT ON DISPLAY.

THE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS, ORGANISED BY THE LOCAL DISTRICT OFFICE, RURAL COMMITTEES AND CIVIC ASSOCIATIONS, WILL LAST A MONTH.

BESIDES THE LANTERN COMPETITION, THE CELEBRATIONS WILL INCLUDE A CHINESE COUPLET WRITING COMPETITION, A QUIZ CONTEST, A SOCCER TOURNAMENT, A LANTERN PARADE AND VARIETY SHOWS.

NORTH DISTRICT, COVERING THE TOWNS OF SHA TAU KOK, SHEUNG SHUI, SHEK WU HUI AND FANLING AND A LARGE PART OF THE BORDER AREA, WAS FORMERLY WITHIN TAI PO DISTRICT. IT BECAME A SEPARATE DISTRICT LAST OCTOBER AS DEVELOPMENT IN THE NEW TERRITORIES EXTENDED RAPIDLY TO THE NORTH AREA.

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WATER CUT

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WATER SUPPLY TO AN AREA OF YAU MA TEI WILL BE TURNED OFF FROM 10 PM ON TUESDAY (SEPTEMBER 9) TO 7 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY.

THE AREA IS BOUNDED BY CHI WO STREET, CHEONG LOK STREET, MAU LAM STREET AND NATHAN ROAD.

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