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TRADE AND INDUSTRY ADVISORY BOARD REPLACED
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TWO SPECIALIST ADVISORY BOARDS, REPLACING THE FORMER TRADE AND INDUSTRY ADVISORY BOARD, HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED, UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE DIRECTOR OF TRADE, INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS.

THE TRADE ADVISORY BOARD (TAB), WILL MEET FOR THE FIRST TIME TOMORROW (OCTOBER 13), AND THE INDUSTRY ADVISORY BOARD (IAB) FIRST MET ON SEPTEMBER 29.

THE RANGE AND DIVERSE NATURE OF THE ISSUES ON WHICH ADVICE HAS BEEN SOUGHT FROM THE TIAB IN RECENT YEARS, TOGETHER WITH THE SIZE AND VARIETY OF INTERESTS AND EXPERTISE REPRESENTED IN ITS MEMBERSHIP, UNDERLINED THE NEED FOR A RESTRUCTURING OF THE TIAB.

THE TAB, WHICH IS TO MEET MONTHLY, WILL ADVISE THE DIRECTOR OF TRADE, INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS ON MATTERS AFFECTING HONG KONG'S TRADE, OTHER THAN IN TEXTILES AND GARMENTS. MATTERS CONCERNING TRADE IN TEXTILES AND GARMENTS WILL CONTINUE TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE TEXTILES ADVISORY BOARD.

APPOINTMENTS TO THE TAB HAVE BEEN MADE BY THE GOVERNOR FOR A ONE-YEAR PERIOD. THE MEMBERS ARE : THE HON WONG PO-YAN, THE HON D.K. NEWBIGGING, THE HON ALLEN LEE, MR L. DUNNING, MR D.R.Y. BLUCK, MR JOHN L. BOYER, MR I.R.A. MACCALLUM, MR WILLIAM K.P. CHAN, DR VICTOR FUNG, MR DANIEL KOO, MR K.B. RATHI, MR A.W. WERNAS, MR T.F. YING AND MR EDMUND K.S. YOUNG.

THE IAB, WHICH EXPECTS TO MEET EVERY TWO MONTHS OR MORE FREQUENTLY AS MAY BE NECESSARY, HELD ITS FIRST MEETING RECENTLY. THE BOARD ADVISES THE DIRECTOR OF TRADE, INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS ON INDUSTRIAL MATTERS, OTHER THAN LABOUR AND THOSE FALLING WITHIN THE PURVIEW OF THE TEXTILES ADVISORY BOARD AND THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD (IDB).

THE IDB IS BEING ESTABLISHED UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE IAB COMPRISES BOTH EX-OFFICIO AND AD PERSONAM APPOINTMENTS MADE BY THE GOVERNOR FOR A ONE-YEAR PERIOD. THE EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS COMPRISE EITHER THE CHAIRMAN OR PRESIDENT, OR A SENIOR NON-EXECUTIVE MEMBER OF THE CHINESE MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION, THE FEDERATION OF HONG KONG INDUSTRIES, THE HONG KONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, THE HONG KONG INDUSTRIAL ESTATES CORPORATION, AND THE HONG KONG TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL.

THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD FOR THE FIRST YEAR IS : THE HON LI FOOK-WO, THE HON ALEX WU SHU-CHIH, THE HON WONG PO-YAN, MR J.L. MARDEN, MR C.K. CHOW, MR DENNIS TING HOK-SHOU, MR MICHAEL K. BROWN, MR DAVID C. DASILVA, MR NGAI SHIU-KIT, MR S.J. OSMOND, MR HARRY PONG, MR HENRY C. RICHARDS AND MR H.C. TANG.

/THE IAB

THE IAB, HAVING REGARD TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON DIVERSIFICATION (ACD) THAT INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT PROMOTION SHOULD BE BETTER ORGANISED AND PURSUED, DECIDED AT ITS FIRST MEETING TO SET UP AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE COMMISSIONER OF INDUSTRY, TO HANDLE THE DETAILED PLANNING AND CO-ORDINATION OF THE PROMOTION OF INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES BY THE TICD AND OTHER HONG KONG ORGANISATIONS. THIS SPECIALIST STANDING COMMITTEE IS CALLED THE INDUSTRIAL PROMOTION COMMITTEE (IPC).

MEMBERSHIP OF THE IPC WILL COMPRISE THE SENIOR EXECUTIVES OF THE CHINESE MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION, FEDERATION OF HONG KONG INDUSTRIES, HONG KONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, HONG KONG INDUSTRIAL ESTATES CORPORATION, HONG KONG PRODUCTIVITY COUNCIL, HONG KONG TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, AND SUCH OTHER PERSONS AS THE IAB MAY WISH TO CO-OPT.

THE GOVERNMENT EARLIER THIS YEAR ACCEPTED THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON DIVERSIFICATION (ACD) THAT THE TRADE, INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE GIVEN CENTRAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR DEVELOPING OVERALL PROMOTIONAL STRATEGY AND FOR CO-ORDINATING SUCH ACTIVITIES.

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HIGHER PAYMENT RATES FOR TRAFFIC ACCIDENT VICTIMS
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VICTIMS OR THEIR DEPENDANTS OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS OCCURRING THIS MONTH WILL GET 15 PER CENT MORE IN CASH RELIEF UNDER THE +NO FAULT+ TRAFFIC ACCIDENT VICTIMS ASSISTANCE SCHEME (TAVAS).

THIS FOLLOWS A SIMILAR INCREASE IN THE PAYMENT SCHEDULE OF THE EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND TO WHICH TAVAS PAYMENTS ARE LINKED.

MRS DIANA LEE, HEAD OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT'S TAVAS SECTION, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY) THE NEW RATE OF BURIAL GRANT IS \$1 600 A PERSON.

FOR THE LOSS OF A SOLE WAGE-EARNER, THE MAXIMUM DEATH GRANT IS NOW \$23 000, AND FOR THE LOSS OF HUSBAND OR WIFE WHO IS NOT A WAGE-EARNER BUT WITH CHILDREN, IT IS \$16 200, SHE SAID.

THE RATES FOR INJURY GRANTS ARE \$160 UP TO A MAXIMUM OF \$4 960 DEPENDING ON THE GRAVITY OF INJURY, SHE ADDED.

ACCORDING TO MRS LEE, MORE THAN \$19.1 MILLION HAVE BEEN PAID OUT SO FAR UNDER THE SCHEME WHICH WAS IMPLEMENTED IN MAY LAST YEAR.

ANOTHER \$412 279 HAVE BEEN AUTHORISED FOR PAYMENT TO 106 CASES AND NOW AWAIT COLLECTION AT THE DEPARTMENT, SHE SAID.

/+GRANTS ALREADY

+GRANTS ALREADY MADE WERE PAID TO 470 CASES INVOLVING DEATH, AND TO 4 714 CASES INVOLVING INJURIES WHICH HAVE CAUSED AT LEAST SEVEN DAYS' LOSS OF EARNING CAPACITY,+ SHE SAID.

MRS LEE SAID PAYMENTS AMOUNTED TO \$3.4 MILLION FOR FATAL CASES, AND \$15.8 MILLION FOR INJURY CASES, OF WHICH \$3.5 MILLION WERE FOR FURTHER PAYMENTS TO THOSE WHO REQUIRED EXTENDED SICK LEAVE.

THE HIGHEST PAYMENT SO FAR IS \$25 040 IN ONE FATAL CASE, WHILE OTHER PAYMENTS RANGED FROM \$800 TO \$21 100, SHE SAID.

AT PRESENT, 326 OTHER APPLICATIONS ARE BEING PROCESSED AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE AND THE APPLICANTS SHOULD BE ABLE TO RECEIVE PAYMENTS SOON, SHE ADDED.

THE SCHEME, WHICH IS NON-MEANS TESTED, PROVIDES QUICK CASH RELIEF FOR TRAFFIC ACCIDENT VICTIMS OR THEIR DEPENDANTS REGARDLESS OF WHO WAS AT FAULT IN CAUSING THE ACCIDENT.

PEOPLE INVOLVED IN TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS CAN APPLY WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF THE ACCIDENT AT THE TAVAS SECTION ON THE 14TH FLOOR OF THE WORLD TRADE CENTRE AT 280 GLOUCESTER ROAD, HONG KONG (TEL NOS. 5-779421 AND 5-7903650).

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HONG KONG TO PARTICIPATE IN MELBOURNE FAIR

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THE HONG KONG EXHIBITION STAND AT THE 2ND AUSTRALIAN TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES EXCHANGE FAIR (TRX '80) - BEING HELD IN MELBOURNE FROM OCTOBER 14 TO 17 - WILL OFFER FACILITIES FOR POTENTIAL AUSTRALIAN INVESTORS IN HONG KONG.

THE PRIMARY AIM OF HONG KONG'S PARTICIPATION IN THE FAIR IS TO ENCOURAGE OVERSEAS INVOLVEMENT IN HONG KONG IN THE FORM OF DIRECT INVESTMENT OR THE TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY THROUGH LICENSING, SUB-CONTRACTING AND JOINT VENTURES.

THE HONG KONG STAND AT TRX '80, RUN BY THE TRADE, INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT (TICD) IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE HONG KONG PRODUCTIVITY CENTRE (HKPC), WILL HAVE THE LATEST INFORMATION ON HONG KONG'S INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES, PLUS ADVICE AND CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR POTENTIAL INVESTORS AND TECHNOLOGY VENDORS.

LEADING THE MISSION FOR THE HKPC IS ITS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DR JOHN WRIGHT, AND FOR THE TICD IS ITS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT OFFICER MR C.L. CHU. MR CHU WILL BE PRESENT TO OFFER ASSISTANCE TO THOSE INTERESTED IN INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN HONG KONG.

+WE HOPE TO COME BACK FROM THIS FAIR WITH CONTACTS AND PROPOSALS THAT WILL OFFER OPPORTUNITIES FOR HONG KONG TO DIVERSIFY OUR MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY,+ SAID MR CHU.

THE TICD'S ROLE IN THE MISSION IS TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON ALL STATUTORY AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS IN SETTING UP A MANUFACTURING PROJECT IN HONG KONG, AS WELL AS ON OUR INVESTMENT ENVIRONMENT.

THE HKPC WILL PROVIDE TECHNICAL SUPPORT AND INFORMATION- INDUSTRIAL CONSULTANCY SERVICES- COMPUTER SERVICES- ECONOMIC ANALYSIS- AND TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER SERVICES, INCLUDING FEASIBILITY, MARKET AND INDUSTRY STUDIES. IT WILL ALSO BE OFFERING CONTACTS WITH HONG KONG PARTNERS IN THE TRANSFER PROCESS AS WELL AS IN LOCAL RECRUITMENT.

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EIGHT SHELTERED WORKSHOPS PLANNED FOR THE DISABLED * * * *

MORE HANDICAPPED PEOPLE WILL BE ABLE TO HAVE A USEFUL WORKING LIFE IN A SHELTERED ENVIRONMENT AS PLANS ARE IN HAND TO PROVIDE ANOTHER EIGHT SHELTERED WORKSHOPS OVER THE NEXT THREE YEARS.

THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT IS CO-ORDINATING PLANS FOR FIVE NEW SHELTERED WORKSHOPS TO BE RUN BY ITSELF AND THREE BY THE VOLUNTARY SECTOR.

THE NEW WORKSHOPS WILL PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL 1 010 PLACES FOR DISABLED PERSONS WHO ARE NOT READY TO GO INTO OPEN EMPLOYMENT.

AT PRESENT, THE DEPARTMENT OPERATES SEVEN SHELTERED WORKSHOPS AND VOLUNTARY AGENCIES RUN NINE, PROVIDING A TOTAL OF 1 358 PLACES.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (SUNDAY) THE PLANS WERE TO MEET AN INCREASING DEMAND FOR WORKSHOP PLACES OFFERING THE DISABLED PRODUCTIVE AND REMUNERATIVE JOBS IN A SHELTERED ENVIRONMENT.

HE SAID SHELTERED WORKERS WERE PRIMARILY ENGAGED IN ASSEMBLING WORK WHICH COULD BE PART-FINISHED, LABOUR-ADDED OR PACKING UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF TRADE INSTRUCTORS.

MATERIALS AND JOB ORDERS ARE SUPPLIED BY FIRMS AND MANUFACTURERS, HE SAID.

SHELTERED WORKERS INCLUDE MENTALLY RETARDED, PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED, EX-MENTALLY ILL, BLIND OR MULTI-HANDICAPPED PERSONS.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THEY WERE ASSIGNED TO DIFFERENT WORKSHOP CLASSES ON HANDICRAFT, MACHINE-SEWING OR METAL WORK, ACCORDING TO THEIR ABILITIES AND COULD EARN AS MUCH AS \$700 A MONTH ON A PIECE-RATE BASIS.

+IN ADDITION TO WAGES, SHELTERED WORKERS ARE GIVEN INCENTIVE PAYMENTS, FREE LUNCH AND REIMBURSEMENT OF TRAVELLING EXPENSES,+ HE ADDED.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE WHEELCHAIR-BOUND OR WHO HAVE DIFFICULTIES IN USING PUBLIC TRANSPORT, SPECIAL BUS SERVICES ARE PROVIDED TO TAKE THEM TO AND FROM WORK EVERY DAY.

AS RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES, WORKSHOP STAFF REGULARLY ORGANISE PICNICS, BARBECUES AND TEA PARTIES.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

GUANGDONG TRADE MISSION LEAVES TOMORROW

THE ECONOMIC AND TRADE DELEGATION FROM GUANGDONG PROVINCE WILL LEAVE HONG KONG BY THROUGH TRAIN AT 1 PM TOMORROW (MONDAY).

THE MISSION, LED BY MR FENG XUEYAN, DIRECTOR OF THE GUANGDONG FOREIGN TRADE BUREAU WILL BE SEEN OFF AT THE KOWLOON RAILWAY STATION BY SIR Y.K. KAN.

A PHOTOGRAPHIC FACILITY WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR THE MEDIA TO COVER THEIR DEPARTURE. PRESS REPRESENTATIVES SHOULD ASSEMBLE OUTSIDE THE ENQUIRY COUNTER, KOWLOON STATION, HUNG HOM AT 12 NOON. THEY SHOULD CARRY THEIR IDENTITY CARDS OR PASSPORTS TO FACILITATE ENTRY INTO THE RESTRICTED AREA. GIS OFFICERS WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST.

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PRIMARY SCHOOLS INVITED TO REGISTER
FOR ALLOCATION OF JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES

THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT HAS AGAIN INVITED ALL PRIMARY SCHOOLS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NEW SYSTEM OF ALLOCATION OF JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES IN 1982 FOR THEIR CURRENT PRIMARY 5 PUPILS.

THE DEPARTMENT HAS SENT CIRCULARS TO ALL SCHOOLS REMINDING THEM OF THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO INFORM PARENTS IF THEY CHOSE NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SCHEME.

THE CLOSING DATE OF APPLICATION FOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS WILL BE WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22. THE SCHEME WAS INTRODUCED IN 1976 TO REPLACE THE SECONDARY SCHOOL ENTRANCE EXAMINATION IN 1978.

AN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT PRIMARY 6 LEAVERS OF A PARTICIPATING SCHOOL WOULD BE PROVIDED WITH A THREE-YEAR FREE SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACE, AND WOULD HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF CHOOSING THEIR SECONDARY SCHOOL BUT NOT SO FOR NON-PARTICIPANTS.

+SCHOOLS NOT TAKING PART IN THE SCHEME SHOULD CLEARLY INFORM PARENTS OF THE CONSEQUENCE,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

HE ADDED THAT THE DEPARTMENT COULD HELP TO ARRANGE PLACES FOR PUPILS CURRENTLY STUDYING IN PRIMARY 5 OF NON-PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS INTO OTHER PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS AT PARENTS' REQUEST.

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EXPLAINING THE SCHEME, THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT A PRIMARY 6 PUPIL'S CHANCES OF BEING ALLOCATED A SECONDARY SCHOOL OF HIS CHOICE DEPEND ON THE SCHOOL'S INTERNAL ASSESSMENT AT THE END OF HIS PRIMARY 5 YEAR AND AT THE END OF THE FIRST AND TOWARDS THE END OF THE SECOND TERM OF HIS PRIMARY 6 YEAR ON ALL SUBJECTS, EXCEPT PHYSICAL EDUCATION IN ALL SCHOOLS AND BIBLICAL KNOWLEDGE IN SOME SCHOOLS.

TO ENSURE FAIRNESS, PUPILS OF ALL PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS HAVE TO SIT THE DEPARTMENT'S ACADEMIC APTITUDE TEST, RESULTS OF WHICH WILL BE USED TO SCALE AND CONVERT INTERNAL ASSESSMENT INTO AN OVERALL ORDER OF MERIT.

+THE ACADEMIC APTITUDE TEST IS NECESSARY AS DIFFERENT SCHOOLS MAY HAVE DIFFERENT CURRICULUM AND THE STANDARD OF MARKING OR ASSESSMENT MAY VARY,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

UNDER THE SCHEME THE WHOLE OF HONG KONG IS DIVIDED INTO 24 +SCHOOL NETS+ BASED ON THE LOCATION OF PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

IN EACH NET IS A COMPARABLE MIX OF DIFFERENT TYPES OF SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES IN TECHNICAL SCHOOLS, GOVERNMENT SECONDARY GRAMMAR SCHOOLS, AIDED SECONDARY GRAMMAR SCHOOLS, PRIVATE NON-PROFIT-MAKING SECONDARY GRAMMAR SCHOOLS, AND PRIVATE INDEPENDENT SECONDARY GRAMMAR SCHOOLS. PRE-VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS, HOWEVER, ARE NOT LIMITED TO PARTICULAR NETS.

EACH PRIMARY 6 PUPIL HAS A CHOICE OF UP TO 30 SECONDARY SCHOOLS WITHIN HIS NET.

ALL THE PUPILS LISTED IN THE ORDER OF MERIT ARE THEN GROUPED INTO FIVE BANDS AND FED INTO A COMPUTER FOR ALLOCATION OF A PLACE IN A SECONDARY SCHOOL BASED ON PARENTAL CHOICE.

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SNT WALKS FOR A GOOD CAUSE

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SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR DAVID AKERS-JONES, THIS (SUNDAY) MORNING JOINED A CELEBRITY WALK AT THE HONG KONG STADIUM.

THE EVENT - 'WALK FOR A GOOD CAUSE' - WAS PART OF A FUND RAISING CAMPAIGN ORGANISED BY THE HONG KONG GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION.

MONEY RAISED IN THE EVENT WILL GO TOWARDS FUNDING THE GIRL GUIDES HEADQUARTERS BUILDING AND ACTIVITY PROGRAMMES.

A TOTAL OF 24 TEAMS OF CELEBRITIES CONSISTING OF 240 PEOPLE TOOK PART IN THIS MORNING'S WALK.

MR AKERS-JONES WAS LEADER OF THE 'YAT KIT' TEAM CONSISTING OF MRS VERONICA CHA, MR PETER PUN, MISS ELEANOR WONG, MR BOB LOCKING, MRS IVY WU, MR SIMON AKERS-JONES, MRS BARBARA RUST, MADAM LEUNG SING-TAK AND MR LAM KIN-MING.

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THE WALK TOOK THE FORM OF A RELAY ROUND THE STADIUM'S RUNNING TRACK, EACH TEAM MEMBER WALKING 400 METRES.

MORE THAN 10 000 PEOPLE ATTENDED THE EVENT WHICH INCLUDED PERFORMANCES BY THE JOINT SERVICE PARACHUTE CENTRE, THE POLICE BAND AND CHINESE DANCERS.

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CLEANER EMISSION FROM INCINERATORS

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THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT PLANS TO INSTALL TWO ELECTROSTATIC PRECIPITATORS AT THE KENNEDY TOWN INCINERATION PLANT.

TENDERS FOR THE WORK WILL BE INVITED NEXT FEBRUARY FROM PREQUALIFIED CONTRACTORS FOR THE DESIGN, SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF THESE ELECTROSTATIC PRECIPITATORS AT THE PLANT.

A SPOKESMAN FOR PWD SAID THAT THE HIGH EFFICIENCY EQUIPMENT WOULD REMOVE MOST OF THE DUST FROM THE FLUE GAS PRIOR TO DISCHARGE TO THE ATMOSPHERE.

THEREFORE, HE SAID, EMISSION FROM THE CHIMNEY WOULD BE CLEAN AND THE ENVIRONMENT FURTHER PROTECTED.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT A NOTICE INVITING APPLICATIONS FROM APPROPRIATE CONTRACTORS FOR INCLUSION IN THE PREQUALIFICATION LIST WAS PUBLISHED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE LAST FRIDAY (OCTOBER 10).

ONLY CONTRACTORS OR EQUIPMENT SUPPLIERS WITH EXPERIENCE IN THE DESIGN, SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF THESE EQUIPMENT WILL BE CONSIDERED IN THE LIST OF PREQUALIFIED CONTRACTORS.

FURTHER INFORMATION ON REQUIREMENTS FOR PREQUALIFICATION MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AT CAROLINE HILL ROAD.

IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE CONSTRUCTION AND INSTALLATION OF THE NEW EQUIPMENT WOULD START IN 1982 AND BE COMPLETED IN EARLY 1983.

THE PROJECT WILL BE SUPERVISED BY THE ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL OFFICE OF THE PWD.

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SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX FOR YUEN LONG

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A MULTI-MILLION-DOLLAR SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX AND GARDEN WILL SOON BE BUILT ON A 2.3-HECTARE SITE TO THE SOUTH OF THE YUEN LONG STADIUM IN YUEN LONG.

TENDERS FOR THE PROJECT ARE BEING INVITED BY THE ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

A SPOKESMAN FOR PWD SAID THAT WORK ON THE PROJECT WOULD BEGIN IN DECEMBER AND BE COMPLETED IN AUGUST 1982.

HE SAID THE SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX WOULD HAVE A MAIN POOL, A SECONDARY POOL, A TEACHING POOL, A DIVING POOL, A PADDLING POOL, AND A SPECTATOR STAND.

OTHER FACILITIES WILL INCLUDE CHANGING ROOMS, TOILETS, A LIGHT REFRESHMENT CAFE AND OFFICE ACCOMMODATION.

THE GARDEN, WHICH IS TO BE BUILT TO THE NORTH OF THE SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX, WILL INCLUDE A PLANTING AND SITTING-OUT AREA, A SHALLOW POOL AND A FOUNTAIN.

IN ADDITION, A TEMPORARY RECREATION GROUND WITH TWO BASKETBALL COURTS AND A SMALL REST GARDEN WILL BE ON THE SOUTHERN SIDE OF THE COMPLEX.

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FIFTH NT SWIMMING GALA HELD

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PROMOTING SPORTS ACTIVITIES AND COMPETITIONS ARE A MAJOR PART OF GOVERNMENT'S PLAN FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, DEPUTY NEW TERRITORIES SECRETARY, MR AUGUSTINE CHUI KAM, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

MR CHUI WAS SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE FIFTH NEW TERRITORIES SWIMMING GALA HELD AT KWAI SHING SWIMMING POOL.

SOME BASIC REQUIREMENTS WERE NEEDED IN ACHIEVING THIS, HE SAID.

FIRST, MORE SPORTS GROUNDS SHOULD BE PROVIDED. GOVERNMENT HAD GIVEN PRIORITY TO PLANS FOR BUILDING ADDITIONAL SPORTS FACILITIES WHICH IT WAS BELIEVED WOULD BE GREATLY INCREASED IN THE COMING FEW YEARS. SWIMMING POOLS, IN PARTICULAR, WOULD BE BUILT IN MANY PARTS OF HONG KONG.

+AQUATIC SPORTS FACILITIES WILL BE ADEQUATE IN FUTURE TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THE POPULATION DENSITY OF HONG KONG,+ MR CHUI SAID.

SECOND, ACTIVE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND CONTINUOUS EFFORTS TO ENCOURAGE PARTICIPATION BY OUR YOUNG PEOPLE WERE REQUIRED.

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THIS WOULD CREATE NO DIFFICULTY AS YOUNG PEOPLE ACCOUNTED FOR A LARGE PERCENTAGE OF HONG KONG'S POPULATION, HE SAID.

MOREOVER, SUSTAINED EFFORTS BY GOVERNMENT TO PROMOTE SPORTS ACTIVITIES IN THE PAST HAD PRODUCED MANY FINE SPORTSMEN AND STIMULATED WIDESPREAD INTEREST IN SPORT AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE.

THEREFORE, ALTHOUGH INCREASED SPORTS FACILITIES HAD BEEN BUILT, THEY STILL FELL SHORT OF DEMAND.

THIRD, MR CHUI WENT ON, A COMPREHENSIVE EXPANSION PLAN AND ORGANISATION WERE REQUIRED TO PROMOTE SPORTS ACTIVITIES.

THE RECREATION AND SPORT SERVICE FORMED A FEW YEARS AGO HAD BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL IN THIS ASPECT.

THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS IN ACTIVITIES ORGANISED BY THE SERVICE WAS RAPIDLY RISING.

THE SERVICE HAD ALSO RECEIVED ENTHUSIASTIC SUPPORT FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, ATHLETES AND COMMUNITY LEADERS. THIS, COUPLED WITH EFFORTS IN TRAINING AND ORGANISATION HAD ACHIEVED REMARKABLE RESULTS, MR CHUI SAID.

MORE THAN 300 PEOPLE TOOK PART IN TODAY'S GALA WHICH WAS ORGANISED BY THE RECREATION AND SPORT SERVICE, THE HEUNG YEE KUK AND THE NEW TERRITORIES SCHOOLS' SPORTS ASSOCIATION.

THE RACES WERE DIVIDED INTO MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SECTIONS AND INCLUDED PARTICIPANTS FROM THE EIGHT NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION DISTRICTS.

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PROJECT TO INCREASE WATER SUPPLY TO TAI O
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MORE FRESH WATER WILL BE AVAILABLE TO RESIDENTS AT TAI O ON LANTAU ON COMPLETION OF A WATERWORK PROJECT NEXT YEAR.

THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE LAYING OF A 200MM DIAMETER WATERMAIN AT SHEK PIK DAM AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF TWO PRESSURE TANKS AT KEUNG SHAN AND YI O.

ON COMPLETION, IT WILL INCREASE THE DAILY CAPACITY OF TREATED FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO TAI O FROM 910 CUBIC METRES TO 1 460 CUBIC METRES.

WORK WILL BEGIN IN DECEMBER AND WILL TAKE ABOUT NINE MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

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WATER CUT
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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN SHAM SHUI PO WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR SIX HOURS FROM MIDNIGHT ON TUESDAY (OCTOBER 14) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY (WEDNESDAY) FOR A LEAKAGE TEST.

THE PREMISES TO BE AFFECTED ARE THOSE ON CHEUNG SHA WAN ROAD, KIU KIANG STREET, SHUN NING ROAD, PRATAS STREET, UN CHAU STREET, TONKIN STREET, FUK WING STREET, CASTLE PEAK ROAD, CAMP STREET AND BLOCKS NO. A, B AND C LEI CHENG UK ESTATE.