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A TOWN WITH LIFE AND VITALITY
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MUCH IS BEING DONE TO MAKE TUEN MUN +A TOWN WITH A LIFE AND VITALITY OF ITS OWN+ AND A BETTER PLACE TO LIVE IN, THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

CITING EXAMPLES, HE SAID A LEISURE SWIMMING POOL WAS NOW SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLETE AND WAS TO OPEN BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR.

+WORK STARTED ON TUEN MUN CENTRAL PARK IN SEPTEMBER AND THIS WILL PROVIDE A LARGE ORNAMENTAL LAKE FOR BOATING, AN AMPHITHEATRE FOR OUTDOOR PERFORMANCES AND CHILDREN'S PLAY AREAS,+ SAID SIR EDWARD AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE TWO-WEEK TUEN MUN FESTIVAL.

+THE TUEN MUN TOWN HALL, WITH A CAPACITY FOR 1 450 PEOPLE, IS ALSO UNDER CONSTRUCTION, AND SHOULD BE COMPLETED IN DECEMBER 1985.+

IN ADDITION, HE SAID HE HAD JUST OPENED THE TUEN MUN COMMUNITY AND INDOOR SPORTS CENTRE BEFORE OFFICIATING AT THE FESTIVAL OPENING.

THE GOVERNOR POINTED OUT THAT TUEN MUN NOW HAD A POPULATION OF 220 000 AND THE NUMBER WAS EXPECTED TO GROW BY 70 000 ANNUALLY OVER THE NEXT TWO YEARS TO REACH HALF A MILLION BY THE END OF THE DECADE.

+THE TASK OF ENSURING THAT THERE ARE SUFFICIENT ESSENTIAL FACILITIES TO SERVE THIS GROWING POPULATION IS A FORMIDABLE ONE.

+BUT IT IS IMPORTANT TOO THAT THE VITAL NEED FOR RECREATION AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES WHICH KNIT A COMMUNITY TOGETHER IS NOT FORGOTTEN.+

SIR EDWARD STRESSED THAT HAVING PROVIDED THE FACILITIES, WE MUST ENCOURAGE THE COMMUNITY TO USE THEM TO THE FULL.

+IT IS HEARTENING TO SEE THE DISTRICT BOARD AND OTHER COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS DEEPENING THEIR INVOLVEMENT AND EXTENDING THE RANGE OF THEIR ACTIVITIES.+

THE TUEN MUN FESTIVAL IS AN EXCELLENT EXAMPLE OF THIS WORK, THE GOVERNOR ADDED.

OVER THE NEXT TWO WEEKS, THE PEOPLE OF TUEN MUN WILL BE ABLE TO ENJOY A WIDE VARIETY OF PROGRAMMES INCLUDING AN EXHIBITION, A DISTRICT RUN, AN INTER-SCHOOL CONCERT, VARIETY SHOWS, SOCCER MATCHES, AND BASKETBALL AND BOWLING TOURNAMENTS.

PAINTING, DRAWING, SINGING, PHOTOGRAPHY, AND SLOGAN COMPETITIONS WILL ALSO BE HELD.

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GOVERNOR STRESSES VALUE OF COMMUNITY CENTRE
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THE YAN OI TONG COMMUNITY AND INDOOR SPORTS CENTRE IS REMARKABLE IN PROVIDING A FULL RANGE OF RECREATION AND WELFARE SERVICES FOR ALL AGES UNDER ONE ROOF, THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE CENTRE, SIR EDWARD SAID THERE COULD BE +NO BETTER EVIDENCE OF THE CENTRE'S VALUE TO THE COMMUNITY OF TUEN MUN+, AS HE UNDERSTOOD IT ALREADY HAD 30 000 MEMBERS AND WAS IN USE DAY AND NIGHT.

BUILT WITH FUNDS FROM PRIVATE DONATIONS, THE GOVERNMENT, THE JOCKEY CLUB AND THE LOTTERIES FUND, THE CENTRE WOULD BE USING PROFITS GENERATED BY RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES TO SUPPORT ITS WELFARE AND OTHER ACTIVITIES, THE GOVERNOR SAID.

+THE IDEA IS FOR THE HEALTHY TO SUPPORT THE NEEDY. THIS CONCEPT REFLECTS THE CREATIVITY AND IMAGINATION WHICH HAS GONE INTO THE PLANNING OF THIS PROJECT,+ SIR EDWARD SAID.

HE POINTED OUT THAT THE YAN OI TONG, FORMED OVER 50 YEARS AGO, +HAS RISEN MAGNIFICENTLY TO THE CHALLENGE PRESENTED BY THE GROWTH OF THE TUEN MUN NEW TOWN, AND HAS CONTRIBUTED TOWARDS THE PROVISION OF A POLYCLINIC, KINDERGARTENS, PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND NOW TO THIS COMMUNITY AND INDOOR SPORTS CENTRE.+

HE THEN CONGRATULATED ALL THOSE INVOLVED FOR THEIR DETERMINATION AND INSPIRATION TO BRING THE CENTRE INTO BEING.

THE YAN OI TONG COMMUNITY AND INDOOR SPORTS CENTRE, WITH AN AREA OF ABOUT 4 360 SQUARE METRES, IS CENTRALLY LOCATED IN TUEN MUN NEW TOWN.

THE EIGHT-STOREY COMPLEX HAS FACILITIES WHICH INCLUDE AN INDOOR HEATED SWIMMING POOL, A SKATING RINK, A BOWLING ALLEY, BADMINTON COURTS, SQUASH COURTS AND A DANCE STUDIO FOR YOUTHS- A SERVICES CENTRE FOR THE ELDERLY, THE ONLY SUCH CENTRE IN TUEN MUN- AND A NURSERY.

AMONG OTHER FACILITIES ARE A LIBRARY WITH A STUDY ROOM, A RESTAURANT AND A SUPERMARKET.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

GOVERNOR LEAVES FOR PEKING TOMORROW

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A FACILITY HAS BEEN ARRANGED FOR PRESS PHOTOGRAPHERS AND CAMERAMEN TO COVER THE DEPARTURE OF THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, FOR PEKING TOMORROW (SUNDAY).

SIR EDWARD, ACCOMPANIED BY THE POLITICAL ADVISER, MR ROBIN MCLAREN, WILL BE LEAVING ON FLIGHT CA 102, ETD 12.45 PM.

PLEASE ADVISE THOSE ASSIGNED TO COVER THE DEPARTURE TO ASSEMBLE IN THE PRESS CONFERENCE ROOM ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF THE AIRPORT TERMINAL BUILDING NOT LATER THAN 11.30 AM TOMORROW. GIS OFFICERS WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST.

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CORRECTIONAL SERVICES PLAYING IMPORTANT ROLE

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HONG KONG'S CONTINUED WELL-BEING AS A SUCCESSFUL TRADING TERRITORY DEPENDS ON ITS STABILITY WHICH IN TURN DEPENDS ON ITS EFFECTIVE LAW ENFORCEMENT, MR MICHAEL SANDBERG, UNOFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

SPEAKING AT A PASSING-OUT PARADE OF THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, MR SANDBERG SAID THAT THE DEPARTMENT WAS PLAYING AN INCREASINGLY IMPORTANT PART IN ENSURING THAT THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG COULD LIVE IN FREEDOM AND SECURITY.

HE POINTED OUT THAT OVER THE YEARS THE PRISON SYSTEM HAD IMPROVED GREATLY WITH THE EMPHASIS BEING CHANGED FROM CUSTODIAL TO REMEDIAL SENTENCING.

FURTHERMORE, MUCH MORE EMPHASIS WAS NOW PLACED ON AFTER-CARE AND A PRISONER'S RE-ESTABLISHMENT IN SOCIETY AFTER RELEASE, HE ADDED.

SUCH DEVELOPMENT COULD ALSO BE REFLECTED BY THE CHANGE OF NAME OF THE DEPARTMENT FROM PRISONS TO CORRECTIONAL SERVICES WHICH IMPLIED THAT SOMETHING COULD BE MADE CORRECT OR PUT RIGHT.

+PUNISHMENT BY ITSELF IS NOT ENOUGH, AND IS NOT THE WHOLE OBJECT OF THE SENTENCE,+ HE EMPHASISED.

HE SAID THAT THESE CHANGES WERE ALL PART OF A MODERN THINKING AND CARING SOCIETY AND THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES OFFICERS WERE NOW PLAYING THEIR PART IN THE EVENTUAL REHABILITATION OF THE PRISONERS.

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HE POINTED OUT THAT THE NEW APPROACHES WERE EFFECTIVE, AS SHOWN BY THE HIGH SUCCESS RATE OF THE TRAINING AND DETENTION CENTRE PROGRAMMES.

NEARLY 65 PER CENT OF PEOPLE DISCHARGED FROM THE TRAINING CENTRES ARE NOT RE-CONVICTED WITHIN A THREE-YEAR FOLLOW-UP PERIOD- WHILE FROM THE DETENTION CENTRE, AT THE END OF A ONE-YEAR AFTER-CARE PERIOD, IT IS AS HIGH AS 94.5 PER CENT.

HE SAID MEMBERS OF THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT COULD GET IMMENSE JOB SATISFACTION BECAUSE THEY WOULD BE CONTRIBUTING TO THIS EFFORT.

MR SANDBERG WAS THE INSPECTING OFFICER AT THE PASSING-OUT PARADE HELD AT THE DEPARTMENT'S STAFF TRAINING INSTITUTE IN STANLEY.

ON PARADE WERE 27 OFFICERS AND 116 ASSISTANT OFFICERS WHO HAD JUST COMPLETED THEIR SIX-MONTH BASIC TRAINING.

HE ALSO PRESENTED SILVER WHISTLES TO THE TWO BEST ALL-ROUND RECRUITS, MR LAU CHUNG-YIN AND MR LUI SHIU-CHOY.

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BUS STATION TO BE BUILT IN TUEN MUN
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THE CIVIC AND CULTURAL COMPLEX NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN THE CENTRAL AREA OF TUEN MUN NEW TOWN IS TO INCLUDE A NEW BUS STATION.

TENDERS FOR THE WORK ARE BEING INVITED NOW BY THE ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE OF THE BUILDING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID THE COMPLEX INCLUDES AN AUDITORIUM, GOVERNMENT OFFICES, LAW COURTS, A MULTI-STOREY CARPARK, A LIBRARY, A POST OFFICE AND A MARRIAGE REGISTRY, ALL OF WHICH WILL SURROUND A LANDSCAPED GARDEN.

HE SAID ALL THESE BUILDINGS WERE AT DIFFERENT STAGES OF DEVELOPMENT.

THE SIX-LANE BUS STATION, OCCUPYING ABOUT 8 250 SQUARE METRES, WILL BE COVERED WITH A LANDSCAPED PODIUM LINKED BY COVERED WALKWAYS TO BUILDINGS WITHIN THE COMPLEX AND ALSO TO TUEN MUN TOWN PARK AND THE SURROUNDING COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL BLOCKS. IT WILL INCLUDE A BUS CREW CANTEEN AND A REGULATOR'S OFFICE.

WORK IS EXPECTED TO START EARLY NEXT YEAR AND BE COMPLETED IN 18 MONTHS. THERE ARE ALREADY FOUR OTHER BUS STATIONS IN TUEN MUN.

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DB MEMBERS COMPARE NOTES
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MEMBERS OF THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD TODAY MET THEIR COUNTERPARTS IN WAN CHAI, CENTRAL AND WESTERN TO EXCHANGE VIEWS AND SHARE EXPERIENCES ON SIMILAR PROBLEMS IN THEIR DISTRICTS.

ACCOMPANIED BY THEIR CHAIRMAN, MR DONALD TSANG, THE SHA TIN BOARD MEMBERS ALSO VISITED THE URBAN DISTRICTS TO LOOK AT DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.

THE DISTRICT OFFICER AND CHAIRMAN OF THE TWO URBAN DISTRICT BOARDS, MISS LOLLY CHIU, DESCRIBED TODAY'S VISIT AS +MEANINGFUL+.

+A SIMILAR VISIT WAS HOSTED BY THE SHA TIN BOARD TWO MONTHS AGO FOR OUR MEMBERS WHO FOUND IT MOST USEFUL AND IMPRESSIVE,+ SHE SAID.

THE GROUP THEN PROCEEDED TO THE ROOFTOP OF THE HOPEWELL CENTRE FOR A PANORAMIC VIEW OF DEVELOPMENTS IN WAN CHAI.

THEY WERE BRIEFED ON AN URBAN REDEVELOPMENT SCHEME AND ITS RELATED PROBLEMS.

LATER AT THE WESTERN TEMPORARY WHOLESALE FRUIT MARKET, WHICH WAS MOVED FROM THE WESTERN MARKET IN SHEUNG WAN SINCE JULY LAST YEAR, THE VISITORS WERE TOLD THAT MORE THAN 100 000 TONNES OF FRUITS WERE HANDLED AT THE MARKET ANNUALLY FOR CONSUMPTION ON HONG KONG ISLAND, OUTLYING ISLANDS AND MACAU.

THE FINAL STOP WAS THE CITY HALL WHERE THE PARTY ATTENDED A HISTORICAL EXHIBITION WHICH IS PART OF THE CURRENT MONTH-LONG CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT FESTIVAL.

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FIRST SAND SCULPTURING CONTEST IN HONG KONG
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A BEACH CARNIVAL FEATURING HONG KONG'S FIRST SAND SCULPTURING CONTEST WILL BE HELD AT CLEAR WATER BAY (SECOND BEACH) TOMORROW (SUNDAY).

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO THE CARNIVAL WHICH WILL BE STAGED BETWEEN 2 PM AND 5 PM.

MORE THAN 200 YOUNGSTERS ARE EXPECTED TO TAKE PART IN THE SAND SCULPTURING CONTEST, AND PHOTOGRAPHY ENTHUSIASTS ARE BEING INVITED TO TAKE COLOUR PICTURES OF THE COMPETITION.

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MEDALS AND SOUVENIRS, INCLUDING PHOTOGRAPHIC APPARATUS AND SPORTS GOODS, WILL BE AWARDED FOR THE 80 BEST PICTURES TAKEN.

THE CARNIVAL, WITH THE SCULPTURING COMPETITION, IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG, THE CHAMPION CLUB AND THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT. THE PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST IS A JOINT EVENT WITH THE UNITED ARTIST PHOTOGRAPHIC ASSOCIATION.

THE RECORDS OF THE SAND SCULPTURING COMPETITION WILL BE SENT TO THE GUINNESS BOOK OF RECORDS FOR CONSIDERATION, AN NTSD SPOKESMAN SAID.

THESE RECORDS WILL INCLUDE THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS, THE NUMBER OF SAND MODELS BUILT AND THE SIZE OF THE LARGEST MODEL.

FOUR SCULPTORS AND ARTISTS WILL MAKE UP THE PANEL OF ADJUDICATORS. THEY ARE MR MAN LAU, MR KAN TEI-KEUNG, MR LEUNG KUI-TING AND MR LI CHIN-FAI.

THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (OPERATIONS) OF NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES, MR ARTHUR JOHNSON, WILL PRESENT PRIZES AND SOUVENIRS TO THE WINNERS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CONTEST.

ALSO ATTENDING THE CARNIVAL WILL BE THE CHAIRMAN OF CULTURE, RECREATION AND SPORT COMMITTEE OF SAI KUNG DISTRICT BOARD, MR CHAN KWAI-SANG; THE PRESIDENT OF CHAMPION CLUB, MR HO SAU-CHUN; THE HEAD OF THE CULTURAL PROGRAMME DEVELOPMENT OF RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG, MR CHUNG WAI-MING; THE PRESIDENT OF UNITED ARTIST PHOTOGRAPHIC ASSOCIATION, MR LAW CHI-KAN; AND THE URBAN SERVICES OFFICER OF SAI KUNG, MR MA IU-KI.

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INTER-DISTRICT SWIMMING GALA
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ABOUT 300 SWIMMERS REPRESENTING THE EIGHT NT DISTRICTS WILL COMPETE IN THE THIRD NEW TERRITORIES INTER-DISTRICT SWIMMING GALA TOMORROW (SUNDAY).

STARTING AT 10 AM AT THE SHA TIN JOCKEY CLUB PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL, THE CONTESTANTS WILL TAKE PART IN 70 RACES, INCLUDING FREE-STYLE, BACK-STROKE, BREAST-STROKE, BUTTERFLY AND RELAY EVENTS.

MEDALS WILL BE AWARDED TO THE CHAMPION AND THE FIRST AND SECOND RUNNERS-UP OF EACH RACE.

THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR NEW TERRITORIES, MR HAIDER BARMA, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY.

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LION DANCE ON WHEELCHAIRS

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THE TRADITIONAL CHINESE LION DANCE IS A DEMANDING FEAT EVEN FOR ABLE-BODIED PEOPLE.

BUT TWO PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED YOUNG MEN IN WHEELCHAIRS WILL DEMONSTRATE TOMORROW (SUNDAY) THAT THEY ARE ALSO CAPABLE OF PERFORMING THE DANCE.

THEIR PERFORMANCE WILL HIGHLIGHT THE EASTERN DISTRICT PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED AND ABLE-BODIED FESTIVAL AT THE LADY MACLEHOSE CENTRE IN POKFULAM.

MORE THAN 120 HANDICAPPED AND ABLE-BODIED YOUTHS WILL TAKE PART IN THE SPORTS-AND-GAMES DAY WHICH HAS BEEN ORGANISED TO PROMOTE THE PUBLIC'S AWARENESS OF THE NEED TO INTEGRATE THE HANDICAPPED INTO THE COMMUNITY.

THE PROGRAMME WILL ALSO INCLUDE SPORTS COMPETITIONS AND A VARIETY SHOW BY THE EASTERN DISTRICT CHILDREN CHOIR.

THE EVENT IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD, THE EASTERN DISTRICT YOUTH AND RECREATION CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE, AND THE HONG KONG PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED AND ABLE-BODIED ASSOCIATION.

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TWO NEW PEDESTRIAN SUBWAYS FOR KOWLOON

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TWO PEDESTRIAN SUBWAYS ARE TO BE BUILT UNDER CHATHAM ROAD TO REPLACE AN EXISTING UNDERPASS.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT SAID THAT THE UNDERPASS WOULD BE CLOSED TO MAKE WAY FOR CONSTRUCTION OF AN ADDITIONAL RAIL TRACK IN CONJUNCTION WITH IMPROVEMENT WORKS FOR THE KOWLOON RAILWAY STATION.

THE NEW THREE-METRE WIDE SUBWAYS AND ASSOCIATED FOOTWAYS, WHICH WILL BE BUILT CLOSE TO THE UNDERPASS, WILL CONNECT OI MAN ESTATE TO WINSLOW STREET, HUNG HOM.

A NOTICE CONCERNING THE PROPOSAL IS PUBLISHED IN THE LATEST GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

A PLAN SHOWING THE PROJECT MAY BE INSPECTED AT CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, CENTRAL ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING, MAIN ENTRANCE LOBBY, HONG KONG; DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE (KOWLOON WEST), 10TH FLOOR, KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 405 NATHAN ROAD; KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT OFFICE, 141 - 143 KAU PUI LUNG ROAD, 1ST FLOOR; HUNG HOM SUB-OFFICE, 32 WUHU STREET, GROUND FLOOR, HUNG HOM; OR HOMANTIN SUB-OFFICE, BLOCK 8, HOMANTIN ESTATE, 123 - 126, SHEUNG SHING STREET, KOWLOON.

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NEW FOOTBRIDGE FOR KWUN TONG

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A PEDESTRIAN FOOTBRIDGE WILL BE BUILT ACROSS KWUN TONG ROAD AT ITS JUNCTION WITH THE UNNAMED ROAD NEAR BLOCK 1 OF LOWER NGAU TAU KOK ESTATE.

TO FACILITATE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROJECT, A RESTRICTED HEIGHT OF 4.75 METRES WILL BE APPLIED UNDER THE FOOTBRIDGE FALSEWORKS FOR ABOUT SIX MONTHS FOR TRAFFIC ON KWUN TONG ROAD.

THE PERIOD WILL START ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 14) FOR EASTBOUND TRAFFIC AND ON DECEMBER 1 FOR WESTBOUND TRAFFIC.

DURING THIS PERIOD, HEAVY VEHICLES OVER 4.75 METRES IN HEIGHT TRAVELLING TO OR FROM KWUN TONG WILL BE DIVERTED VIA WAI YIP STREET OR NGAU TAU KOK ROAD.

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'MOST COURTEOUS' HOTEL EMPLOYEES CHOSEN

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THIRTEEN COURTEOUS HOTEL EMPLOYEES WILL RECEIVE PRIZES AT A VARIETY SHOW TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AFTERNOON AT THE TSIM SHA TSUI CENTRE BASEMENT.

THEY ARE THE WINNERS OF THE MOST COURTEOUS HOTEL EMPLOYEES COMPETITION ORGANISED BY THE YAU MA TEI DISTRICT BOARD TO PROMOTE ITS CURRENT MONTH-LONG COURTESY CAMPAIGN.

A FASHION SHOW AND A POP CONCERT WILL PRECEDE THE PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY.

STARTING AT 3 PM, THE FASHION SHOW WILL FEATURE BOTH CASUAL AND SPORTSWEAR. ADMISSION IS FREE.

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TRAFFIC BAN LIFTED

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FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 14), THE EXISTING TRAM-ONLY AND BUS-ONLY LANES ON EASTBOUND SHAU KEI WAN ROAD BETWEEN TAI CHEONG STREET AND TAI HONG STREET WILL BE OPENED TO ALL VEHICLES FOR ABOUT FIVE WEEKS.

DURING THE PERIOD, THE ROAD SECTION WILL BE DESIGNATED AS URBAN CLEARWAY WITHIN WHICH NO VEHICLES OTHER THAN FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS FROM 7 AM TO MIDNIGHT DAILY.

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SHAU KEI WAN TAPS OFF

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO SOME AREAS IN SHAU KEI WAN WILL BE INTERRUPTED FROM 11 PM ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 14) TO 6 AM ON TUESDAY (NOVEMBER 15) FOR WATER LEAKAGE TESTS.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT SHAU KEI WAN MAIN STREET EAST, KAM WAH STREET, MONG LUNG STREET, FACTORY STREET, BASEL ROAD AND CHURCH LANE.

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NEW FEES FOR UK PASSPORTS

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THE UNITED KINGDOM GOVERNMENT HAS ANNOUNCED THAT FROM MONDAY (NOVEMBER 14), FEES FOR UK PASSPORTS WILL BE INCREASED FROM 11 POUND STERLING TO 15 POUND STERLING.

THIS INCREASE IN FEES WILL ONLY AFFECT BRITISH CITIZENS IN HONG KONG WHO APPLY FOR UK PASSPORTS TO THE PASSPORT OFFICE IN LONDON THROUGH THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY.

FEES FOR HONG KONG BRITISH PASSPORTS WILL REMAIN UNCHANGED, HE SAID.

OTHER NEW FEES ON UK PASSPORTS CHARGED BY THE PASSPORT OFFICE IN LONDON ARE :-

- * FOR ISSUING A PASSPORT OF 94 PAGES - 30.00 POUND STERLING
- * FOR ISSUING A PASSPORT WHICH INCLUDES THE PARTICULARS OF A SPOUSE :
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