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DANGEROUS GOODS ANCHORAGE TO BE REOPENED

The Western Dangerous Goods Anchorage, which was closed on February 20 after a number of cases of explosives were accidentally dropped in the area, will be reopened from noon next Tuesday (March 6).

In reaching this decision, the Director of Marine said he had considered all aspects of the situation.

"Since the accident occurred," he said, "research has been undertaken to ascertain as far as possible the spot where the explosives fell into the water."

The buoyancy factors relating to the cases, possible directions in which the explosives might have drifted before settling on the seabed and the nature of the seabed itself had all been taken into account, he added.

The operations on these aspects were carried out by Marine Department officers and a Royal Navy diving team.

After four days of diving and searching the seabed, no cases were found but the Director said he was confident "the cases had lost buoyancy and sunk into those parts of the seabed where soft mud was present."

Practical tests carried out by officers of the Mines Department had shown that it would take explosives in similar cases not more than 14 days to become ineffective, he said.

The Director expressed his thanks to all those involved in the exercise.

In particular, he thanked the Commodore, Hong Kong, for offering the services of naval divers from H.M.S. Tamar and HMS Mohawk. He also thanked the divers themselves for their unstinted efforts.

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WONG CHUK HANG ROAD TO BE WIDENED

A section of Wong Chuk Hang Road between the Aberdeen Technical School and the Aberdeen Fire Station will be widened to provide a dual three lane carriageway road.

A footbridge will be built at its junction with Nam Long Shan Road to facilitate pedestrian movement.

The project also includes the laying of a trunk sewer to cater for the rapid development in the area.

Work is expected to begin in May this year and will take about 18 months to complete.

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BOWLING GREEN TO BE CLOSED TEMPORARILY

The bowling green at Victoria Park is to be closed for six weeks starting on Monday (March 5).

A spokesman for the Urban Services Department said the temporary closure was to facilitate renovation work on the green.

"It will be re-opened on April 16," he said.

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REGISTRATION TEAM TO VISIT SHEUNG SHUI

Staff from the Registration of Persons Department will visit Sheung Shui Po Nga Shan Fong next week to register people for identity cards. They will be there from Thursday (March 8) to Friday (March 16), excluding Saturday and Sunday (March 10 and 11).

The visit is to enable parents to register their children for juvenile identity cards.

Young people 17 years of age and over and holding juvenile identity cards, can register for adult identity cards.

Residents of the area are reminded of their responsibility to register themselves and their children for identity cards.

They must report to the Registration of Persons Department any changes in employment, residential address or any other particulars since registering for their identity cards.

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CHINESE MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS ON DISPLAY

During the period of the Hong Kong Arts Festival, visitors attending the performances at the City Hall will find an extra attraction in the Main Foyer - a neat and informative display of Chinese musical instruments.

The display is a contribution by the Urban Council to the Hong Kong Arts Festival and the instruments are from the collection of the City Museum and Art Gallery.

There are altogether over 40 Chinese musical instruments displayed, including stringed, wind and percussion instruments.

Although they are not rare items, the collection illustrates all the main types of instruments now in use in performances and the opera.

It is of special interest to students and visitors who would like to have a quick visual introduction to Chinese musical instruments, and to see the variety of instruments well displayed.

The display will last until March 24, 1973.

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SUNDAY D.I.B.

Note to Editors: There will be an issue of the Daily Information Bulletin tomorrow (Sunday). Copies (in English and Chinese) will be available for collection from the G.I.S. press room from 3 p.m.

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