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16 SENIOR APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED

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THE GOVERNMENT TODAY ANNOUNCED A SERIES OF SENIOR APPOINTMENTS AT SECRETARY, HEAD OF DEPARTMENT AND DEPUTY HEAD OF DEPARTMENT LEVEL WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE IN STAGES OVER THE NEXT NINE MONTHS. A NUMBER OF OTHER APPOINTMENTS AT VARIOUS LEVELS WILL BE ANNOUNCED SHORTLY.

THE APPOINTMENTS TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE ORGANISATIONAL CHANGES WITHIN THE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT WHICH WERE ANNOUNCED BY THE CHIEF SECRETARY IN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ON NOVEMBER 11.

OTHERWISE, THEY ARE IN ACCORDANCE WITH NORMAL POSTINGS POLICY, ALTHOUGH SOME OF THEM ARE DUE TO THE FORTHCOMING RETIREMENT OF SEVERAL SENIOR OFFICERS AND THE DECISION TO UPGRADE THE LEVEL OF HONG KONG'S REPRESENTATION IN THE UNITED STATES BY OPENING A NEW OFFICE IN NEW YORK.

THE APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED TODAY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- \* SECRETARY FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY -  
MR ERIC HO (SECRETARY FOR SOCIAL SERVICES SINCE APRIL 1977) VICE MR DORWARD.
- \* SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE -  
MR HENRY CHING (DEPUTY FINANCIAL SECRETARY SINCE JULY 1976) VICE MR ERIC HO.
- \* HONG KONG TRADE COMMISSIONER IN THE UNITED STATES  
(NEW POST) -  
MR BILL DORWARD (SECRETARY FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY SINCE AUGUST 1982, AND PREVIOUSLY DIRECTOR OF TRADE INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS SINCE OCTOBER 1979).
- \* SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION AND MANPOWER -  
MR NEIL HENDERSON (COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR SINCE MARCH 1978) VICE MR KENNETH TOPLEY RETIRING.
- \* DIRECTOR OF URBAN SERVICES -  
MR GRAHAM BARNES (REGIONAL SECRETARY, HONG KONG AND KOWLOON SINCE SEPTEMBER 1980) VICE MR BRIAN WILSON RETIRING.
- \* DEPUTY FINANCIAL SECRETARY -  
MR SELWYN ALLEYNE (DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE SINCE OCTOBER 1980) VICE MR HENRY CHING.
- \* DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE -  
MR JOHN CHAMBERS (SECRETARY GENERAL, STANDING COMMISSION ON CIVIL SERVICE SALARIES AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE SINCE SEPTEMBER 1980) VICE MR S. ALLEYNE.

/\* DIRECTOR OF .....

- \* DIRECTOR OF HOUSING -  
MR DAVID FORD (PREVIOUSLY COMMISSIONER, HONG KONG GOVERNMENT OFFICE, LONDON, PRESENTLY ON STUDY LEAVE) VICE MR BERNARD WILLIAMS RETIRING.
- \* SECRETARY GENERAL, STANDING COMMISSION ON CIVIL SERVICE SALARIES AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE -  
MR ALAN BRISTOW (DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF URBAN SERVICES SINCE AUGUST 1979) VICE MR J. CHAMBERS.
- \* COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR -  
MR RON BRIDGE (DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION SINCE MARCH 1978) VICE MR N. HENDERSON.
- \* REGIONAL SECRETARY, HONG KONG AND KOWLOON -  
MR LAWRENCE MILLS (DIRECTOR OF TRADE SINCE SEPTEMBER 1977) VICE MR G. BARNES.
- \* DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION SERVICES -  
MR PETER TSAO (DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY SINCE JANUARY 1979) VICE MR R. SUN.
- \* COMMISSIONER FOR TELEVISION AND ENTERTAINMENT LICENSING -  
MR ROBERT SUN (DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION SERVICES SINCE JANUARY 1980) VICE MR N. WATT, RETIRING.
- \* DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF URBAN SERVICES -  
MR CHUI KAM (DIRECTOR, CITY SERVICES SINCE DECEMBER 1981) VICE MR A. BRISTOW.
- \* DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY -  
MR JOHN YAXLEY (POLICE ADMINISTRATION OFFICER SINCE SEPTEMBER 1980) VICE MR P. TSAO.
- \* DIRECTOR OF TRADE -  
MR HAMISH MACLEOD (DISTRICT COMMISSIONER, TSUEN WAN SINCE FEBRUARY 1982) VICE MR L. MILLS.

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#### GREATER EXPANSION SEEN FOR TERTIARY EDUCATION

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+TERTIARY EDUCATION IN HONG KONG HAS SEEN SIGNIFICANT GROWTH IN THE LAST DECADE AND WILL BE EXPANDING AT AN EVEN HIGHER RATE IN THE NEAR FUTURE,+ SAID THE SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION, MR K.W.J. TOPLEY, AT TODAY'S PO LEUNG KUK DIRECTORS' LUNCHEON MEETING.

MR TOPLEY CITED AS AN EXAMPLE THE GROWTH IN THE UNIVERSITY STUDENT POPULATION, WHICH INCREASED FROM LESS THAN 1 000 BEFORE 1956 TO THE PRESENT 11 200. HE SAID THAT THE UNIVERSITIES NOW GREW AT A RATE OF FOUR PER CENT A YEAR, WHICH EXCEEDED THE TARGET OF THREE PER CENT GROWTH RATE LAID DOWN IN THE 1978 WHITE PAPER ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF SENIOR SECONDARY AND TERTIARY EDUCATION.

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ADDITIONALLY, TO MEET THE GOVERNMENT'S REQUEST THAT MORE PLACES SHOULD BE PROVIDED FOR THE TRAINING OF DOCTORS, LAWYERS, SOCIAL WORKERS, AND TEACHERS IN ORDER TO MEET THE CURRENT SHORTAGE OF PROFESSIONAL MANPOWER IN THESE AREAS, THE UNIVERSITIES WOULD INCREASE THE INTAKE OVER AND ABOVE THE FOUR PER CENT GROWTH RATE. HENCE, BY 1987-88, THE TWO UNIVERSITIES TOGETHER WOULD HAVE 15 000 STUDENTS, 3 000 IN EXCESS OF THE PROJECTION MADE IN THE 1978 WHITE PAPER, HE SAID.

+THE SUPPLY OF DEGREE PLACES WOULD BE FURTHER AUGMENTED WHEN THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC BEGINS TO OFFER DEGREE PROGRAMMES IN 1983, AND THE BAPTIST COLLEGE IS LIKELY TO FOLLOW SUIT A FEW YEARS LATER,+ MR TOPLEY ADDED.

HE STRESSED THAT THE GOVERNMENT FULLY RECOGNISED THE NEED TO EXPAND TERTIARY EDUCATION TO MEET SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEMANDS. IN TERMS OF DEGREE PLACES, THE LONG-TERM TARGET WOULD BE TO PROVIDE FIRST YEAR PLACES FOR SIX PER CENT OF THE MEAN 17-20 AGE GROUP IN 1989-90, AND EIGHT PER CENT IN 1994-95, WHICH COMPARED VERY FAVOURABLY WITH THE PRESENT 2.5 PER CENT PROVISION.

AS REGARDS NON-DEGREE TERTIARY PLACES, THE MAJOR EXPANSION WOULD BE THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SECOND POLYTECHNIC, FOR WHICH A SITE HAD ALREADY BEEN RESERVED AT TAT CHEE AVENUE, KOWLOON TONG WEST.

+ON THE OTHER HAND, THE TECHNICAL INSTITUTES WOULD ALSO BE EXPANDED SIGNIFICANTLY THROUGH THE COMPLETION OF TWO NEW INSTITUTES AT TUEN MUN AND SHA TIN BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1985, WITH ANOTHER ONE AT CHAI WAN EXPECTED TO BE READY IN 1986,+ MR TOPLEY SAID.

+LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD, THE GOVERNMENT IS CONSIDERING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A THIRD UNIVERSITY OR ANOTHER MAJOR TERTIARY INSTITUTION BY EARLY 1990'S.

+BESIDES, THE GOVERNMENT WILL ALSO BE EXAMINING THE FEASIBILITY OF SETTING UP AN OPEN UNIVERSITY IN HONG KONG,+ HE ADDED.

THE GOVERNMENT MAINTAINS THE POLICY THAT NO STUDENT SHOULD BE PREVENTED FROM RECEIVING FULL-TIME TERTIARY EDUCATION BECAUSE OF LACK OF MEANS AS GRANTS AND LOANS ARE MADE AVAILABLE THROUGH THE STUDENT FINANCE SCHEMES OPERATED BY THE UNIVERSITY AND POLYTECHNIC GRANTS COMMITTEE AND THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

MR TOPLEY POINTED OUT THAT THE GOVERNMENT WAS CONCERNED ABOUT THE FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES THAT MIGHT BE FACED BY THOSE HONG KONG STUDENTS, AND FOLLOWING THE RECENT REPORT OF THE OVERSEAS STUDENTS TRUST, A PROPOSAL ON A JOINT SUBSIDY SCHEME HAD BEEN FORWARDED TO THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT FOR CONSIDERATION.

A RESPONSE FROM THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT WAS EXPECTED BY THE END OF THIS YEAR, HE SAID.

DIRECTOR OF NT SERVICES VISITS KWAI CHUNG  
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THE DIRECTOR OF NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES, MR JOHN HEYWOOD, TODAY (WEDNESDAY) VISITED VARIOUS RECREATIONAL AND MARKET FACILITIES UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN KWAI CHUNG.

THE PROJECTS, COSTING \$140 MILLION, INCLUDE AN INDOOR GAMES HALL, A PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX, A TOWN PARK, AND TWO MARKETS.

MR HEYWOOD WAS ACCOMPANIED ON THE TOUR BY THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (SOUTH REGION) OF NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES, MR DAVID DOWDING.

THE PARTY FIRST CALLED AT THE WORK SITE OF THE \$70-MILLION GIN DRUNKER'S TOWN PARK, WHERE MR HEYWOOD WAS TOLD BY THE URBAN SERVICES OFFICER OF KWAI CHUNG, MR CHAN TAI-YIU, THAT THE FIRST STAGE OF LANDSCAPE PLANTING AT THE PARK ON A SITE FORMERLY USED AS A RUBBISH TIP HAD BEEN COMPLETED RECENTLY.

OTHER FACILITIES TO BE BUILT ON THE 2.72 HECTARES SITE WILL BE A GARDEN WITH A PAVILION, A GREEN-HOUSE, A CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND, 14 TENNIS COURTS, AN AMPHITHEATRE AND A MULTI-PURPOSE GAMES PITCH WHICH WILL INCLUDE A STANDARD SOCCER PITCH AND A RUNNING, CYCLING AND JOGGING TRACK.

MR HEYWOOD THEN PROCEEDED TO THE CONSTRUCTION SITE FOR NORTH KWAI CHUNG SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX AND SAW WORK IN PROGRESS ON THE SERVICE BUILDING, FOUR POOLS AND A GENERAL RESTAURANT. THE COST FOR THE PROJECT IS ESTIMATED AT ABOUT \$26.4 MILLION.

THIS WILL BE THE SECOND PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX FOR THE RESIDENTS OF KWAI CHUNG.

FROM THERE, HE WENT TO THE SITE FOR NORTH KWAI CHUNG INDOOR GAMES HALL, THE SECOND SUCH FACILITY FOR KWAI CHUNG YOUNGSTERS. THIS \$16-MILLION PROJECT WILL HAVE A GAMES HALL WITH A SPECTATOR STAND, THREE SQUASH COURTS, TWO GAMES ROOMS AND A CHANGING ROOM.

MR HEYWOOD NEXT TOURED THE NEWLY COMPLETED \$5.8-MILLION WING FONG STREET MARKET, SCHEDULED TO BE OPENED TO THE PUBLIC NEXT MONTH. FINISHING TOUCHES ARE BEING PUT TO 120 STALLS FOR VARIOUS TRADES, A ROOF TOP GARDEN AND CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND.

MR HEYWOOD THEN VISITED THE WORK SITE FOR A MARKET AND LIBRARY COMPLEX AT SHEK YAM ROAD.

CONSTRUCTION OF THE \$22.6-MILLION COMPLEX HAS STARTED. IT WILL HOUSE 130 STALL HOLDERS NOW TRADING AT TWO TEMPORARY MARKETS AT SHEK YAM ROAD AND TAI LOONG STREET TOWARDS THE END OF NEXT YEAR.

FEWER MEN AND VESSELS BRING IN BIGGER CATCHES OF FISH  
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FEWER FISHERMEN WORKING FEWER VESSELS, BUT AIDED BY MORE EFFICIENT METHODS AND MODERN TECHNOLOGY, HAVE BEEN GREATLY INCREASING HONG KONG'S CATCHES OF FISH.

LAST YEAR, 28 000 FISHERMEN, MANNING SOME 4 760 VESSELS, BROUGHT IN 174 600 TONNES OF FISH, VALUED AT \$1 233 MILLION, A RECORD IN VALUE TERMS.

CONTRASTED WITH THIS, FOR INSTANCE, WERE THE 54 000 TONNES CAUGHT BY SOME 69 000 FISHERMEN WORKING ON 8 600 VESSELS IN 1965.

MUCH OF THIS INCREASE IN PRODUCTIVITY WAS DUE TO THE VIGOROUS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME AND TRAINING COURSES FOR FISHERMEN CONDUCTED BY THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT, BACKED BY SEVERAL FISHERIES LOAN FUNDS TO HELP THE FISHERMEN TO MODERNISE THEIR VESSELS AND INTRODUCE MORE EFFICIENT FISHING METHODS.

AS EXPLAINED BY MR T.Y. YIM, ACTING SENIOR FISHERIES OFFICER OF THE DEPARTMENT'S FISHERIES DEVELOPMENT DIVISION: +MODERN DIESEL ENGINES NOW ENABLE THE VESSELS TO OPERATE ALMOST UNHAMPERED BY THE VAGARIES OF WEATHER, SHORT OF TYPHOON CONDITIONS. THEY ALLOW THE FISH TRAWLERS TO TOW HEAVY TRAWLS AND TO FISH IN FAIRLY DEEP WATERS.+

+IN CONTRAST, THE WIND-DRIVEN JUNK TRAWLERS OF THE PAST DEPENDED HEAVILY ON THE SOUTHWEST MONSOON IN THE SUMMER AND THE NORTHEAST MONSOON IN THE WINTER TO PROVIDE THE POWER FOR THEM TO FISH EFFECTIVELY.+

+THE RELIABILITY AND POWER OF MODERN ENGINES AND THE NAVIGATIONAL KNOWLEDGE FISHERMEN GAINED FROM THE TRAINING COURSES GAVE THEM THE CONFIDENCE AND ABILITY TO FISH MUCH FARTHER FROM THE HOME PORT. THE USE OF RADARS AND MORE RECENTLY RADIO TELEPHONES TO COMMUNICATE WITH THEIR HOME PORT FURTHER ENCOURAGES THEM TO FISH IN MORE DISTANT WATERS IN SEARCH FOR BETTER CATCHES,+ MR YIM EXPLAINED.

OTHER MECHANICAL DECK GEAR INTRODUCED IN RECENT YEARS, SUCH AS POWER-DRIVEN WINCHES AND FISHING LINE HAULERS, CUT MANUAL LABOUR AND ALLOWED MORE FISHING TIME EACH DAY.

MOST OF THE FISHING IS CARRIED OUT ON THE HIGH SEAS IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS, BUT SOME OF THE BEST FISHING GROUNDS ARE IN CHINESE TERRITORIAL WATERS OR CLOSE TO THEM. VESSELS OPERATING IN THESE AREAS MUST OBTAIN A LICENCE FROM THE CHINESE AUTHORITIES IN ADDITION TO THE ONE ISSUED IN HONG KONG, AND A CONDITION OF THE CHINESE LICENCE IS THAT A PERCENTAGE OF THE CATCH MUST BE DISCHARGED IN CHINESE PORTS, IT WAS EXPLAINED.

TRAWLING IS THE MOST IMPORTANT OF THE FOUR MAJOR TYPES OF FISHING, THE OTHERS BEING LINING, GILL-NETTING AND PURSE-SEINING. LAST YEAR IT ACCOUNTED FOR 65 PER CENT OF MARINE FISH LANDED.

HONG KONG'S CONSUMPTION OF FISHERY PRODUCTS IS AMONG THE HIGHEST IN THE WORLD, WITH PER HEAD CONSUMPTION IN 1981 ESTIMATED AT 18 KG OF MARINE FISH, 9 KG OF FRESHWATER FISH AND 10 KG OF ALL OTHER FISHERY PRODUCTS. AND ITS FISHING FLEET WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR 90 PER CENT OF ALL FRESH MARINE FISH CONSUMED BY THE PEOPLE HERE.

THE IMPROVEMENT IN FISHING SKILLS HAS BEEN ACCOMPANIED, HOWEVER, BY A DECLINE IN INTEREST AMONG THE YOUNGER GENERATION IN FISHING FOR THEIR LIVELIHOOD.

THE YOUNGER FISHERFOLK FROM AMONG THE TANGKA AND HOKLO COMMUNITIES HAVE TENDED TO GIVE UP THE SEA FOR JOBS ON SHORE, ACCEPTING LOWER WAGES FOR SHORTER AND MORE REGULAR WORKING HOURS.

IMPROVEMENTS IN THE FISHING FLEET HAVE BEEN SUPPORTED THROUGH LOANS FROM THE VARIOUS FISHERMEN'S COOPERATIVE SOCIETIES AND LOANS FROM THE FISH MARKETING ORGANISATION AND THE GOVERNMENT ADMINISTERED BY THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT.

LAST YEAR, THE DEPARTMENT GRANTED 143 LOANS AMOUNTING TO \$11 MILLION. TWO OF THE LONG-TERM LOANS TOTALLING \$3.06 MILLION WERE ISSUED FROM THE FISHERIES DEVELOPMENT LOAN FUND, WHICH AIMS AT FINANCING PIONEERING AND OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS, INCLUDING BUILDING FISHING VESSELS OF NEW DESIGN, EMPLOYING NEW TECHNOLOGY AND FISHING METHODS, AND BUYING MODERN NAVIGATIONAL AIDS. AS A RESULT OF THESE TWO LOANS, A PAIR OF 27-METRE MODERN FISH TRAWLERS WERE BUILT AND STARTED FISHING IN EARLY 1982.

THE SHORT TO MEDIUM-TERM LOANS CAME MAINLY FROM THE FISH MARKETING ORGANISATION LOAN FUND, ESTABLISHED IN 1946 FOR MAKING LOANS TO FISHERMEN FOR PRODUCTIVE PURPOSES, SUCH AS REPLACEMENT OR REPAIR OF FISHING VESSELS AND PURCHASE OF FISHING GEAR, ENGINES AND OTHER EQUIPMENT.

DESPITE THE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE FISHING FLEET AND THE INCREASE IN FISHING EFFICIENCY, IT IS NOT EXPECTED THAT THE FLEET CAN BRING BACK FROM THE PRESENT FISHING GROUNDS ENOUGH FISH TO MEET HONG KONG'S DEMAND FOR MARINE FISH. THESE FISHING GROUNDS ARE SHOWING SIGNS OF BEING OVER-FISHED.

IN AN ATTEMPT TO MEET THIS LIKELY SHORTFALL, THE DEPARTMENT HAS DIRECTED MUCH EFFORT TO A RESEARCH PROGRAMME TO EXPLORE NEW STOCKS OF FISH. AT THE SAME TIME, IT IS STRIVING CONSTANTLY TO IMPROVE THE EFFICIENCY AND CAPABILITY OF THE FISHING FLEET.

TOWARDS THIS END, IT PROVIDES, AMONG OTHER THINGS, MANY TRAINING COURSES FREE OF CHARGE TO FISHERMEN ON SUCH SUBJECTS AS NAVIGATION, USE OF RADAR, ECHO-SOUNDER, RADIO-TELEPHONE, RADIO DIRECTION FINDER, AND EVEN BASIC BUSINESS MANAGEMENT.

THERE HAS ALSO, IN THE LAST DECADE, BEEN CONSIDERABLE DEVELOPMENT OF MARINE FISH CULTURE, A PROCESS IN WHICH LIVE MARINE FISH ARE RAISED IN CAGES SUSPENDED FROM RAFTS IN SHELTERED BAYS.

LAST YEAR, LIVE MARINE FISH SUPPLIED BY THIS ACTIVITY IN 60 LOCATIONS AMOUNTED TO 960 TONNES, VALUED AT \$53 MILLION.

APART FROM THAT, IN 1981 SOME 1 820 HECTARES OF FISH PONDS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES YIELDED 6 780 TONNES OF FRESHWATER FISH, VALUED AT \$97 MILLION, OR 16 PER CENT OF LOCAL CONSUMPTION OF FRESHWATER FISH. HOWEVER, THESE LOCAL PONDS YIELDED ONLY ABOUT FOUR PER CENT BY WEIGHT OF THE TOTAL LOCAL FISH PRODUCTION.

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ELITE SCHOOLS ALSO OPEN TO POOR : HAYE  
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THE SELECTION AND ALLOCATION SYSTEMS OF HONG KONG'S EDUCATION ARE SO GEARED THAT ABILITY IS RECOGNISED AND THE CHILDREN OF THE POOR HAVE ACCESS TO ELITE SCHOOLS, THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR COLVYN HAYE, SAID TODAY (WEDNESDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE SPEECH DAY OF THE DIOCESAN GIRLS' SCHOOL, MR HAYE SAID A FEW WEEKS AGO IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT HONG KONG MIGHT HAVE A TWO-TIERED EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM, WITH SOME SCHOOLS FOR THE RICH AND OTHER SCHOOLS FOR THE NOT SO RICH.

+IN REJECTING THE SUGGESTION I SAID THAT WHILE I HAD HEARD MANY CRITICISMS OF OUR EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM I HAD NEVER HEARD IT SAID THAT BRIGHT CHILDREN WERE TURNED AWAY FROM OUR SCHOOLS BECAUSE THEY COULD NOT AFFORD THE FEES. NOR SHOULD THEY.+

HE ADDED THAT WHILE THE POOR HAD ALWAYS HAD ACCESS TO DGS AND THE OTHER ELITE SCHOOLS THROUGH SCHOLARSHIPS, +WE HAVE THROWN THE DOORS WIDER, AND, TO THE GREAT HONOUR OF YOUR PRINCIPAL AND HER COLLEAGUES, DGS HAS GONE ALONG WITH US.+

NEVERTHELESS, MR HAYE PROMISED THAT THE PROCESS WOULD NOT BE EXTENDED TO DESTROY THE ESSENTIAL CHARACTER OF DGS AND OTHER SUCH SCHOOLS.

HE SAID, +IN WIDENING THE ABILITY RANGE OF THE PUPIL INTAKE WE HAVE OPENED THE DOOR TO A LIBERALISATION OF THE CURRICULUM TO REFLECT THAT ABILITY RANGE; BUT THE AIM IS NOT A COMPREHENSIVISATION OF THE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

+THE AIM IS STILL EXCELLENCE, BUT SOMEWHAT BROADER BASED THAN THE RATHER NARROW ACADEMIC TRADITION OF THE PAST.+

HE WELCOMED A REMARK BY THE PRINCIPAL OF DGS, DR JOYCE SYMONS, THAT ALTHOUGH SHE WAS WORRIED ABOUT +THE GENERAL MALAISE OF SOME OF THE GIRLS DGS NOW HAS TO ADMIT+, SHE WAS DETERMINED TO DO THE BEST FOR THEM TO EQUIP THEM FOR THE FUTURE.

HE ADDED THAT HE WAS CONFIDENT THAT THE +GENERAL MALAISE+ TO WHICH DR SYMONS REFERRED WOULD RESPOND TO THE THERAPY OF TRADITION AND EXCELLENCE, THE HIGH STANDARDS SET BY THE STAFF AND THE REST OF THE PUPILS.

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NEW ROAD BRIDGE FOR YUEN LONG NEW TOWN  
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THE NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT BRANCH OF THE NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT TODAY AWARDED A \$5.58 MILLION CONTRACT TO LEADER CIVIL ENGINEERING CORPORATION LIMITED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW ROAD BRIDGE AND ASSOCIATED ROADWORKS IN YUEN LONG NEW TOWN.

THE CONTRACT WAS SIGNED TODAY BY MR S.S. LEE, CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE BRANCH, AND MR LEUNG KWONG-HA, DIRECTOR OF THE CORPORATION.

THE BRIDGE WILL BE BUILT ACROSS THE NULLAH NEAR THE EASTERN ROUNDABOUT OF THE NEW TOWN, AND WILL FORM AN IMPORTANT SECTION OF A NEW ROAD UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT THE NORTHERN SIDE OF YUEN LONG.

THIS NEW ROAD WILL CONNECT THE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE AND THE NEWLY-FORMED INDUSTRIAL AREA WITH THE DUAL CARRIAGEWAY BETWEEN YUEN LONG AND AU TAU.

ALSO INCLUDED IN THE CONTRACT WILL BE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A COVER TO THE EXISTING FOOTBRIDGE ACROSS THE NULLAH AT TAI KIU ROAD.

WORK ON THE CONTRACT WILL START AT THE END OF THE MONTH AND TAKE ABOUT 12 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

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QUARRY BAY AND SAI WAN HO TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS  
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FROM 7 AM ON FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 19), THE EASTBOUND KERBSIDE LANE OF KING'S ROAD BETWEEN TONG CHONG STREET AND A POINT 30 METRES WEST OF MOUNT PARKER ROAD WILL BE RESERVED FOR BUSES EXCLUSIVELY FROM 7 AM TO 10 AM AND FROM 4 PM TO 7 PM DAILY.

HOWEVER, THE EXISTING BUS ONLY LANES ON FOUR SECTIONS OF KING'S ROAD WILL BE OPENED TO ALL VEHICLES.

THEY ARE:

- \* THE EASTBOUND KERBSIDE LANE BETWEEN JAVA ROAD AND FINNIE STREET;
- \* THE EASTBOUND KERBSIDE LANE BETWEEN THE EASTERN JUNCTION OF SHIPYARD LANE AND TAI KOO SHING ROAD;
- \* THE WESTBOUND KERBSIDE LANE BETWEEN TAI KOO SHING ROAD AND A POINT ABOUT 80 METRES EAST OF GREIG ROAD; AND
- \* THE WESTBOUND KERBSIDE LANE BETWEEN MOUNT PARKER ROAD AND MANSION STREET.

AT THE SAME TIME, VEHICLES WILL BE BANNED FROM ENTERING THE TRAFFIC LANE ON THE EASTBOUND AND WESTBOUND TRAM TRACKS ON KING'S ROAD OUTSIDE NORTH POINT GOVERNMENT PRIMARY SCHOOL.

THE EXISTING TRAM ONLY LANE ON KING'S ROAD BETWEEN FINNIE STREET AND TONG CHONG STREET WILL BE EXTENDED EASTWARD UP TO A POINT 25 METRES WEST OF MOUNT PARKER ROAD.

FROM 10 AM ON FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 19), THE BUS ONLY LANE ON SHAU KEI WAN ROAD IN SAI WAN HO BETWEEN HOI NING STREET AND HOI FOO STREET WILL BE TEMPORARILY OPENED TO ALL VEHICLES FOR ABOUT 10 WEEKS WHILE THE TRAM TRACK ON THAT ROAD SECTION IS BEING RENEWED.

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CORRECTIONAL SERVICES OFFICERS COMMENDED

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THREE ASSISTANT OFFICERS OF THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT WERE TODAY (WEDNESDAY) AWARDED THE COMMISSIONER'S COMMENDATION CERTIFICATES FOR EXCELLENT PERFORMANCE OF DUTY.

THE RECIPIENTS ARE MISS LAU LAI-YEE, MISS LONG SUK-KAN AND MR CHU AH-WAH.

AT A CEREMONY HELD IN TAI TAM GAP CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES, DR ROBERT ANDRY PRESENTED THE CERTIFICATES TO THE OFFICERS.

BOTH MISS LAU AND MISS LONG WERE COMMENDED FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING ZEAL AND TENACITY IN THE RECAPTURE OF AN ESCAPEE FROM TAI TAM GAP CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION IN LATE AUGUST.

MR CHU WAS PRAISED FOR HIS INITIATIVE AND ALERTNESS IN THE INTERCEPTION OF UNAUTHORISED ARTICLES BROUGHT INTO HEI LING CHAU DRUG ADDICTION TREATMENT CENTRE IN JANUARY, WHICH LED TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF A PERSON IN CONNECTION WITH THE CASE.

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INTER-DISTRICT PAINTING COMPETITION

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RESIDENTS OF YAU MA TEI AND MONG KOK WHO ARE INTERESTED IN PAINTING WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW THEIR TALENTS AT THE TSIM SHA TSUI PROMENADE ON SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 21).

A PAINTING COMPETITION, WHICH IS PART OF A SERIES OF INTER-DISTRICT COMPETITIONS ORGANISED BY THE TWO DISTRICT BOARDS, WILL BE HELD AT THE PROMENADE FROM 2 PM TO 5 PM.

THE COMPETITION WILL BE DIVIDED INTO THREE SECTIONS: THE CHILDREN SECTION FOR THOSE WHO ARE UNDER 12, AND THE YOUTH SECTION FOR THOSE BETWEEN 13 AND 21. THOSE WHO ARE ABOVE 21 WILL ENTER THE OPEN SECTION.

APPLICATIONS CAN NOW BE MADE TO THE DISTRICT OFFICES. ANYBODY WHO WISH TO JOIN IN ON SUNDAY WILL ALSO BE WELCOMED, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE SAID.

JUDGES WILL INCLUDE INSPECTORS OF ART FROM THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, MRS MAN TAM WAI-HA AND MR LEE SAU-KEE, AND PAINTERS MR LAI KING-MAN, MR CHAN SHEUNG AND MR CHAN WAI-TAK.

OUTSTANDING PAINTINGS WILL BE SELECTED AND DISPLAYED AT NEW WORLD CENTRE, TSIM SHA TSUI FROM NOVEMBER 27 TO 29.

ALL PARTICIPANTS WILL BE GIVEN SOUVENIRS.

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