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OVER 103,000 PRIMARY 6 LEAVERS ALLOCATED FORM 1 PLACES  
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ALL OF THE 103,122 PRIMARY 6 LEAVERS TAKING PART IN THE SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES ALLOCATION SYSTEM FOR THE FIRST TIME HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED FORM 1/MIDDLE 1 PLACES IN GOVERNMENT, AIDED OR PRIVATE SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

ANNOUNCING THIS TODAY, AN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID ALL THE SECONDARY PLACES WERE OF THREE YEARS' DURATION FOR WHICH NO TUITION FEES WOULD BE CHARGED.

PUPILS SHOULD CONTACT THEIR INDIVIDUAL PRIMARY SCHOOLS TOMORROW (JULY 17) TO FIND OUT IN WHICH SECONDARY SCHOOL THEY HAD BEEN ALLOCATED A PLACE. THEY SHOULD TAKE WITH THEM THEIR PRIMARY 6 IDENTIFICATION FORMS TO WHICH INDIVIDUAL ALLOCATION SLIPS WILL BE ATTACHED.

ALL PUPILS SHOULD REPORT TO THE SECONDARY SCHOOLS TO WHICH THEY HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED DURING THE FIRST REGISTRATION PERIOD ON THE DATES AND TIMES SPECIFIED FOR INDIVIDUAL SECONDARY SCHOOLS. THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN SUPPLIED TO ALL PRIMARY SCHOOLS TAKING PART IN THE SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES ALLOCATION SYSTEM.

PUPILS WHO FAIL TO REPORT TO THEIR ALLOCATED SECONDARY SCHOOLS DURING THE FIRST REGISTRATION PERIOD -- NORMALLY ON JULY 25, 26 OR 27, 1978 -- WILL BE TAKEN TO HAVE CHOSEN NOT TO TAKE UP THE PLACES ALLOCATED THEM.

PUPILS OR PARENTS WHO HAVE GENUINE DIFFICULTY REPORTING TO ALLOCATED SECONDARY SCHOOLS DURING THE FIRST REGISTRATION PERIOD ARE THEREFORE URGED TO CONTACT THE SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES ALLOCATION SECTION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT BEFORE JULY 27 SO THAT SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE FOR THEM.

THE SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES ALLOCATION SECTION HAS TWO OFFICES. THEY ARE LOCATED AT ROOM 529, FIFTH FLOOR, LEE GARDENS, HYSAN AVENUE, HONG KONG (TELEPHONE 5-794679, 5-794680, 5-794774 AND 5-794775) AND AT FOURTH FLOOR, CAROLINE HILL MANSION, 8, YUN PING ROAD, HONG KONG (TELEPHONE 5-779106, 5-779107, 5-792993 AND 5-793042).

A SECOND REGISTRATION PERIOD ON AUGUST 4, 5 AND 8 WILL BE HELD MAINLY FOR PUPILS WHO WANT TO TRANSFER TO ANOTHER SCHOOL NET OR DISTRICT AS A RESULT OF THEIR MOVING HOUSE RECENTLY. THEY OR THEIR PARENTS SHOULD THEREFORE CONTACT THE DISTRICT COUNCIL SECRETARY OF THE NET TO WHICH THEY HAVE RECENTLY MOVED. GENUINE CASES MAY THEN BE HELPED TO SECURE A PLACE IN THE NET CONCERNED.

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ALTERNATIVELY, PUPILS OR PARENTS MAY CONTACT A SECONDARY SCHOOL OF THEIR CHOICE IN THE NET TO WHICH THEY HAVE MOVED. THE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL SHOULD THEN SEEK APPROVAL FROM THE DISTRICT COUNCIL SECRETARY OF THAT NET ON BEHALF OF THE PUPILS BEFORE ADMITTING THEM.

THE NAMES, TELEPHONE NUMBERS AND OFFICE ADDRESSES OF THE DISTRICT COUNCIL SECRETARIES AND THE 24 SCHOOL NETS THEY REPRESENT ARE :-

HK 1, H.H. WOO, 5-798427= HK 2, C.N. JIM, 5-798423=  
HK 3, S.K. LUK, 5-798423= HK 4, S.T. KWAN, 5-798427 (3RD FLOOR,  
LEE GARDENS, HYSAN AVENUE, HONG KONG).

K 1, G. LAW, 3-884111 EXTENSION 264= K 2, T.T. LIU,  
EXTENSION 262= K 3, S.H. MAK, EXTENSION 252= K 4, P.K. IP,  
EXTENSION 264= K 5, C.H. WEI, EXTENSION 263= K 6, W.L. TSE,  
EXTENSION 287= K 7, I.L. IEONG, EXTENSION 275= K 8, Y.K. MAK,  
EXTENSION 288= K 9, M.T. CHAN, EXTENSION 253= K 10, S.H. HSU,  
EXTENSION 256= K 11, T.O. TSE, EXTENSION 256 (6TH AND 7TH FLOOR,  
KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 405 NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON).

NT 1, W.C. KWOK, 3-688562= NT 2, K.C. LIU, 3-688568=  
NT 3, C. PANG, 3-688568= NT 4, C.K. WONG, 3-688560=  
NT 5, T.F. MAN, 3-688560= NT 6, G. LEUNG, 3-688464=  
NT 7, W.M. HO, 3-688462= NT 8, G. FUNG, 3-688462=  
NT 9, K.H. TONG, 3-688464 (9TH FLOOR, CANTON ROAD GOVERNMENT  
OFFICES, 393 CANTON ROAD, KOWLOON).

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FIRST SOLAR POWERED NAVIGATIONAL LIGHT BEACON  
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THE MARINE DEPARTMENT HAS STARTED A PILOT SCHEME USING SOLAR ENERGY TO OPERATE NAVIGATIONAL LIGHT BEACONS WHICH HAS BEEN PROVED TO BE RELIABLE AND ECONOMICAL IN EXPERIMENTS CONDUCTED BY MARITIME AUTHORITIES IN THE UNITED STATES, BRITAIN AND JAPAN.

THE FIRST LIGHT BEACON IN HONG KONG TO USE SOLAR POWER FOR ITS ELECTRICITY CAME INTO OPERATION IN MAY AND IS LOCATED AT KI YAN SIAK, WEST OF HIGH ISLAND ON SAI KUNG PENINSULA.

MR. JIMMY DEAKIN, SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTS OF THE MARINE DEPARTMENT SAID : +THIS SOLAR ENERGY UNIT COSTS \$6,000 AND IT WILL PAY OFF WITHIN TWO YEARS BY REDUCING EXPENSES ON MAINTENANCE, PARTICULARLY ON BATTERIES.+

EXPLAINING THE ADVANTAGES OF THIS UNIT OVER THE CONVENTIONAL LIGHT BEACON OPERATED BY BATTERIES, MR. DEAKIN SAID : +IT IS MORE ECONOMICAL TO OPERATE AND NO FUEL IS REQUIRED.

+THE ONLY RUNNING COST INVOLVED IS IN MAKING PERIODIC CHECKS ON THE UNIT WHICH WE INTEND TO DO ONCE EVERY SIX MONTHS AT THE BEGINNING AND GRADUALLY REDUCE IT TO ONCE A YEAR.

+ON THE OTHER HAND BATTERIES OF CONVENTIONAL LIGHT BEACONS HAVE TO BE CHECKED EVERY MONTH,+ HE ADDED.

THE SOLAR ENERGY BEACON AT KI YAN SIAK IS OF AN INTENSITY SUCH THAT ITS LIGHT CAN BE SEEN FIVE MILES AWAY. IT CONTAINS MODULI OF PHOTO-VOLTAIC-CELLS AND POWER STORAGE PACKS.

+EACH OF THE MODULI,+ EXPLAINED MR. DEAKIN,+CONSISTS OF 16 PHOTO-VOLTAIC-CELLS CONNECTED IN SERIES. THE FUNCTION OF THESE PHOTO-VOLTAIC-CELLS IS TO CONVERT SUN RAYS INTO ELECTRICITY WHICH IS STORED IN THE POWER STORAGE PACKS.

+THE MODULI ARE BUILT INSIDE PROTECTIVE GLASS WHICH CAN ELIMINATE ULTRA VIOLET AND INFRA RED RAYS THAT WOULD DAMAGE THE PHOTO-VOLTAIC-CELLS. THE PROTECTIVE GLASS ALSO ENABLES THE UNIT TO WITHSTAND ROUGH WEATHER.+

HE ALSO POINTED OUT THAT THE POWER SUPPLY TO THE LIGHT BEACON WILL NOT BE AFFECTED BY WET WEATHER.

+ANOTHER SPECIAL FEATURE THAT ENABLES MINIMUM MAINTENANCE ON THE UNIT IS THAT THE LIGHT BULB CAN BE AUTOMATICALLY REPLACED BY SPARE BULBS IN THE UNIT IN CASE OF FAILURE,+ MR. DEAKIN SAID.

THE SOLAR ENERGY LIGHT BEACON AT KI YAN SIAK IS PART OF THE MORE THAN \$1 MILLION PROJECT OF THE MARINE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE A SAFER, FASTER AND EASIER PASSAGEWAY FOR FISHING BOATS AND PLEASURE CRAFT IN SAI KUNG AREA.

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STRESS ON GREATER USE OF MACHINES IN BUILDING INDUSTRY  
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THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, MR. DAVID MCDONALD, TODAY REITERATED THAT +THE LABOUR FORCE AT OUR DISPOSAL IS LIMITED AND THAT GREATER USE MUST BE MADE OF MECHANISATION IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY.+

HE SAID : +THIS HAS BECOME EVEN MORE IMPERATIVE DUE TO THE HIGHER LEVEL OF ACTIVITY AND TO THE LARGER AND MORE SOPHISTICATED STRUCTURES NOW BEING PROMOTED.+

MR. MCDONALD WAS SPEAKING AT A DINNER GIVEN BY THE BUILDING CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION TO MARK LO PAN FESTIVAL.

REFLECTING ON HIS FORECAST MADE AT LAST YEAR'S FESTIVAL HE SAID THAT WITH A FAIR KNOWLEDGE OF THE PROJECTS LIKELY TO COMMENCE DURING THE YEAR, IT DID NOT REALLY NEED ANY GREAT AMOUNT OF FORESIGHT ON HIS PART TO TELL THAT IT WOULD BE A PROSPEROUS ONE FOR THE INDUSTRY.

BUT HE POINTED OUT THAT +HONG KONG'S CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMMES CAN BE VERY EASILY DISRUPTED WHEN PROBLEMS ARISE IN OTHER COUNTRIES ON WHICH WE DEPEND SO HEAVILY FOR OUR SUPPLY OF MATERIALS.+

AS FOR THE COMING YEAR, MR. MCDONALD SAID, HE COULD NOT SEE IN IT ANY DIMINUTION IN THE LEVEL OF BUILDING ACTIVITY IN EITHER THE PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SECTORS.

+AND THERE IS LITTLE DOUBT THAT, BARRING ANY UNFORESEEN PROBLEMS SUCH AS IN THE SUPPLY OF MATERIALS WHICH I MENTIONED EARLIER, THE ONLY LIMITING FACTOR WILL BE THAT OF THE CAPACITY OF THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY TO UNDERTAKE THE VOLUME OF WORKS WITHIN REQUIRED TIME SCALES,+ HE ADDED.

MR. MCDONALD REFERRED TO THE INTRODUCTION OF A NEW CLAUSE IN PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS FOR PROJECTS ESTIMATED TO COST \$10 MILLION OR MORE REQUIRING CONTRACTORS TO EMPLOY TECHNICIAN APPRENTICES.

HE SAID IT WAS HOPED THAT THIS FORM OF TEACHING WOULD ENSURE THAT THE SKILLS WHICH THE CONTRACTORS POSSESSED WOULD BE PASSED ON TO THE NEW GENERATION OF CONTRACTORS AND SO CONTINUE THE TRADITION OF LO PAN, A MASTER CRAFTSMAN AND A TEACHER OF HIS CRAFT.

THE DIRECTOR SAID THAT A FURTHER CHANGE WOULD, IN THE NOT TOO DISTANT FUTURE, BE INTRODUCED AND WOULD HAVE MARKED SOCIAL SIGNIFICANCE.

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HE RECALLED THAT SOME YEARS AGO LEGISLATION WAS ENACTED TO PROHIBIT PILING AT NIGHT OR ON ANY SUNDAYS OR OTHER PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

+THIS GIVE US SOME MEASURE OF RELIEF FROM NOISE DURING THE TIMES WHEN WE NEED REST,+ HE SAID.

IN MAY THIS YEAR A FURTHER AMENDMENT OF THE SUMMARY OFFENCES ORDINANCE WAS ENACTED PROHIBITING THE USE OF ANY MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT ON CONSTRUCTION SITE BETWEEN 7 P.M. AND 7 A.M. OR ON SUNDAYS OR OTHER PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

ALTHOUGH THE NEW LAW WILL NOT BE EFFECTIVE UNTIL JULY 1979, MR. MCDONALD SAID, IT WOULD BE ADVISABLE TO TAKE HEED OF IT NOW AS IT WOULD INEVITABLY MEAN AN ADJUSTMENT OF WORKING HABITS AND PROJECT COSTING AND PROGRAMMING.

MR. MCDONALD COMMENDED THE BUILDING CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION ON ITS EFFORTS TO-DATE TO COMPLY WITH THE LEGISLATION ON SAFETY ON CONSTRUCTION SITES WHICH, HE ADDED, WOULD BE FURTHER STRENGTHENED IN FUTURE.

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CENTURIES OLD TEMPLE REOPENED

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MORE THAN 800 TING KOK VILLAGERS IN TAI PO TODAY (SUNDAY) CELEBRATED A SPECIAL EVENT -- THE RE-OPENING OF THE VILLAGE'S CHINESE TEMPLE +HIP TIN KUNG+ WHICH HAS A HISTORY STRETCHING OVER MORE THAN TWO CENTURIES.

A RELIGIOUS CEREMONY WAS HELD TO MARK THE COMPLETION OF SIX MONTHS' RESTORATION AND RENOVATION WORK ON THE TEMPLE AT A COST OF \$120,000.

THREE-QUARTERS OF THE SUM CAME FROM GRANTS FROM THE CHINESE TEMPLES COMMITTEE AT THE REQUEST OF THE TAI PO DISTRICT OFFICE, WHILE THE REMAINDER WAS CONTRIBUTED BY LOCAL VILLAGERS.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE ANTIQUITIES AND MONUMENTS SECTION, URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT, DR. SOLOMON BARD, WHO SUPERVISED THE RESTORATION WORK, DESCRIBED THE RENOVATION AS +A VERY GOOD THING+.

+IN VIEW OF DRAMATIC DEVELOPMENTS OF NEW AND MARKET TOWNS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD BE COMPLIMENTED FOR ITS EFFORTS IN RESTORING A TEMPLE OF GREAT HISTORICAL VALUE.

+LOCAL PEOPLE ATTACH GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THE TEMPLE,+ DR. BARD SAID.

HE SAID : +HIP TIN KUNG'S+ HISTORY PROBABLY GOES BACK TO 300 YEARS. BUT THE EXACT DATE THE TEMPLE WAS BUILT IS NOT KNOWN.

+IN THE 50TH YEAR OF CHIEN LUNG (1785) THE TEMPLE WAS EXTENSIVELY RENOVATED,+ HE SAID, ADDING THAT THERE WERE SEVERAL RESTORATIONS IN THE YEARS THAT FOLLOWED.

THE TEMPLE IS DEDICATED TO +KWAN TAI+, THE FAMOUS CHINESE WARRIOR WHO HAS BEEN ACCEPTED BY LOCAL FARMERS AS THEIR PATRON GOD.

+IT WAS IN GOOD SHAPE UNTIL ABOUT 1945, BUT SINCE THEN IT HAS GRADUALLY DETERIORATED MAINLY THROUGH LACK OF FUNDS FOR ITS MAINTENANCE,+ HE SAID.

A RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY TO OPEN THE TEMPLE WAS JOINTLY PERFORMED BY THE TAI PO DISTRICT OFFICER, MR. CLIVE OXLEY= THE CHAIRMAN OF THE TAI PO RURAL COMMITTEE, MR. STEPHEN WONG YUEN-CHEUNG AND A MEMBER OF THE CHINESE TEMPLES COMMITTEE, MR. TONG KWOK-WAH.

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COURSES FOR INDUSTRIAL TRADE INSTRUCTORS

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THREE COURSES FOR TRADE AND WORKSHOP INSTRUCTORS ORGANISED BY THE HONG KONG TECHNICAL TEACHERS' COLLEGE WILL BE HELD IN LATE SEPTEMBER.

THE COURSES PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR TRADE AND WORKSHOP INSTRUCTORS TO IMPROVE THEIR TEACHING METHODS AND TO STUDY EDUCATION THEORY AND EDUCATION PSYCHOLOGY.

THE THREE COURSES WILL BE HELD ON A BLOCK RELEASE, THE PART-TIME DAY-RELEASE AND THE PART-TIME EVENING BASIS.

THE COURSES ARE OPEN TO ALL EMPLOYED TRADE OR WORKSHOP INSTRUCTORS WITH ADEQUATE SECONDARY EDUCATION. APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED FROM THOSE INTERESTED AND WILL CLOSE ON JULY 29.

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WATER CUT IN SAI KUNG

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THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN SAI KUNG WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR SIX HOURS FROM MIDNIGHT ON TUESDAY (JULY 18) TO FACILITATE LEAKAGE TESTS.

ALL PREMISES IN SAI KUNG TOWN WILL BE AFFECTED.

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