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CHINA WATER AGREEMENT SIGNED  
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THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, MR. DAVID MCDONALD, AND THE PRINCIPAL GOVERNMENT WATER ENGINEER, MR. TOM TOMLINSON, RETURNED FROM CANTON TODAY (FRIDAY) AFTER SIGNING A NEW WATER AGREEMENT WITH THE KWANGTUNG PROVINCIAL AUTHORITIES.

MR. LEUNG WAI-LAM, VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE KWANGTUNG PROVINCIAL REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE, OFFICIATED AT THE CEREMONY, WHICH WAS ALSO ATTENDED BY MR. MA PO, HEAD OF THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS SECTION OF THE PROVINCIAL REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE.

THE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED BY MR. MCDONALD ON BEHALF OF THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT AND, ON BEHALF OF THE KWANGTUNG REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE, BY MR. FUNG CHI-YAN, DIRECTOR OF THE BUREAU OF WATER CONSERVANCY AND ELECTRIC POWER, KWANGTUNG PROVINCE.

AFTER THE SIGNING CEREMONY MR. LEUNG HOSTED A RECEPTION FOR REPRESENTATIVES FROM BOTH PARTIES.

ON HIS RETURN FROM CANTON, MR. TOMLINSON ELABORATED ON THE DETAILS OF THE AGREEMENT, WHICH PROVIDES FOR A SUPPLY OF 145 MILLION CUBIC METRES THIS YEAR, 168 MILLION CUBIC METRES PER ANNUM COMMENCING OCTOBER 1 NEXT YEAR AND A YEARLY SUPPLY OF 182 MILLION CUBIC METRES BY 1982.

THE COST OF THE WATER IS RMB 0.15 YUAN PER CUBIC METRE.

THE AGREEMENT ALSO PROVIDES FOR THE ANNUAL SHUT-DOWN PERIOD OF TWO MONTHS, CURRENTLY AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER OF EACH YEAR, TO CHANGE TO MARCH AND APRIL IN 1982 IN ORDER TO MORE READILY FACILITATE ANNUAL MAINTENANCE OF THE EAST RIVER-SHUM CHUN SYSTEM.

THE AMOUNT OF WATER SUPPLIED LAST YEAR WAS 136 MILLION CUBIC METRES.

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D.S.W. UNDERLINES IMPORTANCE OF STUDENT GUIDANCE SERVICE  
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THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR. THOMAS LEE, TODAY (FRIDAY) UNDERLINED THE IMPORTANCE OF THE STUDENT GUIDANCE SERVICE IN THE DETECTION OF PUPILS WITH PROBLEMS AND PROVISION OF GUIDANCE AND ASSISTANCE AT AN EARLY STAGE.

ADDRESSING THE CLOSING CEREMONY OF THEIR THREE-MONTH TRAINING PROGRAMME AT THE GRANTHAM COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, MR. LEE CALLED ON THE 78 STUDENT GUIDANCE OFFICERS TO TRY THEIR BEST TO MEET THE CHALLENGE AHEAD.

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HE SAID THEY WERE EXPECTED TO PERFORM VARIOUS FUNCTIONS IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS SUCH AS GIVING PERSONAL, EDUCATION AND VOCATIONAL GUIDANCE AND HELPING PREVENT SCHOOL DROP-OUTS.

HE TOLD THE NEWLY-TRAINED OFFICERS: +NOW AS AN OFFICER, YOU ARE TO WORK INDEPENDENTLY AND TO PROVIDE SERVICE AMONG SOME 3,000 PUPILS FROM TWO TO SIX DIFFERENT SCHOOLS EACH, OR 2,000 PUPILS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.+

WITH A STUDENT GUIDANCE OFFICER WORKING ON THE SPOT, HE SAID, PUPILS WITH PROBLEMS SHOULD BE DETECTED AT AN EARLY STAGE.

AT THE SAME TIME, HE ADDED, IF APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE IS GIVEN AT THE RIGHT MOMENT BY SOMEONE WHO IS NOT PRE-OCCUPIED WITH THE TEACHING OF THE WHOLE CLASS, IT WILL BE OF HELP TO ALL CONCERNED.

+THIS MEANS THE CLASS WILL NOT BE DISRUPTED, THE TEACHER WILL BE RELIEVED, AND NATURALLY THE PUPIL WITH THE PROBLEM WILL BE HELPED BY SOMEONE DESIGNATED FOR THE JOB WHO NOT ONLY HAS THE TIME BUT ALSO THE SKILL TO DO IT,+ HE SAID.

MR. LEE POINTED OUT THAT AS SCHOOL SOCIAL WORK OR STUDENT GUIDANCE WORK WAS STILL A NEW CONCEPT TO MANY, THE PROCESS OF REFERRAL WAS LIKELY TO BE SLOW IN THE INITIAL STAGE, PARTLY BECAUSE OF THE DISTRUST THE SCHOOL STAFF MIGHT HAVE IN THE OFFICERS, AND PARTLY BECAUSE IT WAS OFTEN TAKEN AS AN ADDITIONAL TASK FOR THE TEACHER.

+THIS MEANS THAT THEY MUST HAVE A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF THE ROLE YOU PLAY IN THE SCHOOL AND TO SHARE WITH YOU SOME OF THE DIFFICULT PUPILS THEY HAVE,+ HE TOLD THE OFFICERS.

THE DIRECTOR SAID THAT IN THEIR NEW JOB, THERE WERE BOUND TO BE CASES WHICH CALLED FOR THE EXPERTISE OF OTHER PROFESSIONALS, SUCH AS EDUCATIONAL COUNSELLORS, PSYCHOLOGISTS AND SOCIAL WORKERS.

HE SAID THAT SHOULD THEY ENCOUNTER DIFFICULTIES, THEY WERE FREE TO CONSULT THEIR SUPERVISORS WHO WOULD, IN TURN, SEEK ASSISTANCE WHERE APPROPRIATE FROM OTHER PROFESSIONALS.

THERE ARE EIGHT RECEIVING OFFICERS -- FOUR TO BE PROVIDED BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT AND THE OTHERS BY VOLUNTARY WELFARE AGENCIES -- WHO ARE READY TO BACK THEM UP AND TAKE OVER THE DIFFICULT CASES WHERE NECESSARY, HE SAID.

MR. LEE ALSO SAID HIS DEPARTMENT HAD A GOOD LIBRARY AND HE CALLED ON THE STUDENT GUIDANCE OFFICERS TO MAKE GOOD USE OF IT IN KEEPING ABREAST WITH THE LATEST DEVELOPMENT IN GUIDANCE WORK.

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### CHOICE OF A CAREER

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YOUNG PEOPLE SHOULD NOT DRIFT INTO WORK FOR WHICH THEY HAVE LITTLE INTEREST AND NO TALENT, SAID THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT'S CHIEF LABOUR OFFICER, MR. TSUI TIM-FOOK, TODAY (FRIDAY).

ADDRESSING THE MUNSANG COLLEGE SPEECH DAY AUDIENCE, MR. TSUI SAID THE CHOICE OF A CAREER SHOULD BE BASED ON A PERSON'S OWN INCLINATIONS, PERSONALITY AND CAPABILITIES.

+NOT ALL OF US CAN BECOME A DOCTOR, LAWYER, CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT, THE PRINCIPAL OF A SCHOOL OR A CELEBRATED ARTIST, HOWEVER HARD WE MAY TRY,+ HE SAID.

+ON THE CONTRARY, EVERYONE OF US HAS A REASONABLE CHANCE TO FIND SATISFACTION AND FULFILMENT IN A JOB TO WHICH WE ARE WELL SUITED. THUS YOU SHOULD FIRST IDENTIFY YOUR OWN INTEREST AND APTITUDE AND THEN DECIDE ON A CAREER WHICH MATCHES THESE QUALITIES.+

MR. TSUI POINTED OUT THAT HONG KONG'S RAPID ECONOMIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL PROGRESS HAD CREATED MANY OPPORTUNITIES FOR INTERESTING AND REWARDING CAREERS, BUT THIS ALSO DEMANDED SPECIALISED KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING, HE ADDED, WERE PRE-REQUISITES FOR EMBARKING ON GOOD CAREERS IN COMMERCE, INDUSTRY AND THE SERVICES.

MR. TSUI WARNED YOUNG PEOPLE NOT TO BE UNDULY INFLUENCED BY THE INITIAL PAY WHEN CONSIDERING A JOB.

+AS FAR AS IS PRACTICAL, IT IS THE PROSPECTS FOR ADVANCEMENT OR CAREER DEVELOPMENT THAT SHOULD BE YOUR PRIMARY CONCERN.+

MR. TSUI POINTED OUT THAT THE PREVIOUS DISTINCTION BETWEEN WHITE-COLLAR AND BLUE-COLLAR EMPLOYEES HAD LOST ITS SHARPNESS IN THE WAKE OF INDUSTRIALISATION.

HE SAID MANY OF HONG KONG'S YOUNG CONSTRUCTION WORKERS WERE FORMER SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS, AND MANY OTHERS HAVE GONE INTO SERVICES SUCH AS HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS.

HE POINTED OUT THAT IN AN OPINION POLL HELD AT LAST YEAR'S LABOUR DEPARTMENT CAREERS EXHIBITION, ABOUT 30 PER CENT OF RESPONDENTS SAID THEY WOULD PREFER TO WORK IN INDUSTRY, ESPECIALLY ELECTRONICS, BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION, MACHINE SHOP AND METAL WORKING.

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BUSY MONTHS FOR ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE

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THE ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT COMPLETED A TOTAL OF 29 PROJECTS DURING THE THIRD QUARTER OF THIS YEAR - ABOUT ONE EVERY THREE DAYS.

THE NUMBER EXCLUDES THOSE RELATING TO PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES.

+BUT,+ SAID A P.W.D. SPOKESMAN, +THESE WERE FAR FROM BEING THE ONLY PROJECTS THE ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE WAS ENGAGED ON.+

DURING THE THREE-MONTH PERIOD, VARIOUS DIVISIONS OF THE ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE WERE INVOLVED IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF ANOTHER 95 PROJECTS. AND, ON TOP OF THAT, ANOTHER 40 CONTRACT DOCUMENTS WERE IN HAND.

SOME OF THE WORKS COMPLETED WERE:

- \* A NEW FRONTIER DIVISIONAL POLICE HEADQUARTERS AND STATION BUILDING=
- \* A FUNERAL DEPOT IN HUNG HOM=
- \* A SPORTS GROUND AT KWAI CHUNG=
- \* THE FITTING OUT OF BIOLOGY LABORATORIES FOR THREE SECONDARY SCHOOLS=
- \* A LIBRARY AT MEI FOO SUN CHUEN=
- \* CITY DISTRICT OFFICES AT LAM TIN AND TUNG TAU ESTATES=
- \* A SWIMMING POOL AT FAN LING=
- \* A TEMPORARY MARKET IN HOIPHONG ROAD= AND
- \* THE FIRST PHASE OF HONG KONG'S SECOND MENTAL HOSPITAL.

AMONG THE PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION BY THE ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE WERE:

- \* A DENTAL THERAPISTS' TRAINING SCHOOL=
- \* TEMPORARY MARKETS AT WONG TAI SIN AND TSIM SHA TSUI=
- \* BUILDING WORK ON THE SPACE MUSEUM=
- \* AN AMENITIES BUILDING FOR THE WAN CHAI CARGO HANDLING AREA=
- \* AMBULANCE DEPOTS AT NGAU CHI WAN, SHA TIN AND TUEN MUN= AND
- \* A MULTI-STOREY AUDITORIUM AT TSUEN WAN.

THE P.W.D. SPOKESMAN SAID: +IT WAS A BUSY THREE MONTHS AND A VERY WORTHWHILE PERIOD IN TERMS OF THE VARIETY OF WORK DONE.+

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D.S.W. OPENS \$2.5 MILLION HOME FOR THE AGED  
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THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR. THOMAS LEE, TODAY (FRIDAY) OFFICIALLY OPENED A \$2.5 MILLION OLD PEOPLE'S HOME IN FAN LING WHICH HE DESCRIBED AS INSTRUMENTAL IN BRINGING THE GOVERNMENT A STRIDE CLOSER TO THE TARGET PROPOSED BY THE GREEN PAPER ON SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE BUDDHIST PO CHING CARE AND ATTENTION HOME FOR AGED WOMEN, MR. LEE SAID THE PROJECT CONTRIBUTED A LOT TO EASING THE EXISTING SHORTAGE OF CARE AND ATTENTION FACILITIES FOR THE ELDERLY.

CAPABLE OF ACCOMMODATING 117 PEOPLE, THE PROJECT IS SPONSORED BY THE HEUNG HOI CHING KOK LIN ASSOCIATION, AND FINANCED BY THE GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES FUND THROUGH THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT, INCLUDING PRIVATE AND ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB DONATIONS.

MR. LEE SAID THE ELDERLY SERVICES GREEN PAPER HAD POINTED TO THE NEED FOR MORE CARE AND ATTENTION HOMES TO PROVIDE RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES, GENERAL CARE AND LIMITED NURSING CARE FOR OLD PEOPLE WHO, MAINLY FOR HEALTH REASONS, COULD NOT CONTINUE TO LIVE WITH THEIR FAMILIES.

THE GREEN PAPER, WHICH WAS PUBLISHED LATE LAST YEAR, HAS RECOMMENDED THE PROVISION BY 1980-81 OF 1,000 EXTRA PLACES IN ADDITION TO THE EXISTING 316 PLACES, HE SAID.

IT HAS ALSO RECOMMENDED PLANNED PROVISIONS FROM 1981-82 ONWARDS TO ACHIEVE A LONG-TERM TARGET OF FOUR PLACES PER 1,000 AGED 60 AND OVER BY 1986-87, HE ADDED.

MR. LEE PRAISED THE HEUNG HOI CHING KOK LIN ASSOCIATION FOR ITS CONCERTED EFFORTS IN THE FIELD OF SERVICES FOR OLD PEOPLE.

HE SAID THE CARE AND ATTENTION HOME REPRESENTED YET ANOTHER ACHIEVEMENT BY THE ASSOCIATION BECAUSE SINCE 1966, IT HAD BEEN OPERATING ITS FIRST OLD PEOPLE'S HOME FOR 108 AGED WOMEN.

+ I UNDERSTAND THE NEW HOME STARTED ADMITTING OLD PEOPLE IN SEPTEMBER LAST YEAR AND IS NOW ACCOMMODATING A MAXIMUM NUMBER OF 117, TWO-THIRDS OF WHOM HAVE BEEN REFERRED BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT, + HE SAID.

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SPECIAL PASSENGER TRAINS TO SHA TIN RACE-COURSE

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THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY WILL OPERATE FOUR SPECIAL PASSENGER TRAINS TO THE SHA TIN RACE-COURSE FOR THE RACES TOMORROW (SATURDAY).

THESE SPECIAL NON-STOP TRAINS WILL LEAVE THE KOWLOON STATION IN HUNG HOM AT 12.15 P.M., 12.31 P.M., 12.57 P.M. AND 1.10 P.M. RESPECTIVELY.

FOR THE RETURN JOURNEY, THERE WILL BE FOUR SPECIAL TRAINS TO CARRY PASSENGERS BACK FROM THE RACE-COURSE STATION TO KOWLOON STATION. IN ADDITION, K.C.R. WILL RE-ROUTE TWO OF ITS SCHEDULED TRAINS VIA THE RACE-COURSE STATION AT 4.31 P.M. AND 6.42 P.M. TO PICK UP PASSENGERS.

THE RUNNING TIME OF THESE SPECIAL TRAINS IS 20 MINUTES AND THEIR TIMETABLES WILL BE DISPLAYED AT ALL RAILWAY STATIONS AND AT THE JOCKEY CLUB'S OFF-COURSE BETTING CENTRES.

A K.C.R. SPOKESMAN SAID THOSE GOING TO THE RACES BY PRIVATE CAR SHOULD MAKE USE OF THE HUNG HOM MULTI-STOREY CAR PARK ABOVE THE KOWLOON STATION.

THE SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT APART FROM SEVERAL BUS CONNECTING ROUTES, THERE WERE FERRY SERVICES OPERATING BETWEEN CENTRAL, WAN CHAI AND NORTH POINT AND THE HUNG HOM PIER, WHICH IS A FEW MINUTES WALK FROM THE STATION TERMINAL.

HE POINTED OUT THAT THE TIMETABLES OF TOMORROW'S SCHEDULED TRAIN SERVICES HAVE BEEN SLIGHTLY AMENDED. THE REVISED TIMETABLES OF THE SCHEDULED TRAINS BETWEEN THE PERIOD FROM 11 A.M. AND 11 P.M. ARE AS FOLLOWS:

FROM KOWLOON STATION: 11.09 A.M., 12 NOON, 1.31 P.M.,  
2.19 P.M., 3.07 P.M., 3.54 P.M.,  
5.07 P.M., 5.38 P.M., 6.54 P.M.,  
7.46 P.M., 8.32 P.M., 9.21 P.M. AND  
11 P.M.

FROM LO WU STATION: 10.52 A.M., 11.51 A.M., 12.51 P.M.,  
1.43 P.M., 3 P.M., 3.38 P.M., 4.35 P.M.,  
5.48 P.M., 6.52 P.M., 7.25 P.M.,  
8.27 P.M. AND 9.28 P.M.

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GOVERNOR OPENS 33RD INTERNATIONAL SALON OF PHOTOGRAPHY

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THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE TODAY (FRIDAY) OPENED THE 33RD HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL SALON OF PHOTOGRAPHY AT THE CITY HALL.

IN HIS OPENING ADDRESS THE GOVERNOR SAID THE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY +HAS MADE A SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION TO OUR CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL REPUTATION.+

SIR MURRAY ALSO CONGRATULATED THOSE PARTICIPANTS WHO HAVE GAINED ADMISSION AND AWARDS.

FOLLOWING IS THE FULL TEXT OF HIS SPEECH:

+THE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY OF HONG KONG WAS FOUNDED IN 1937 WITH THE OBJECT OF PROMOTING AND IMPROVING PHOTOGRAPHY AND ITS APPLICATION.

+EACH YEAR, THE EXHIBITS FEATURED IN THE SALON SHOW IMPROVED ARTISTIC AND TECHNICAL MERIT, AND PROVIDE MEMBERS AND OVERSEAS EXHIBITORS WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN THROUGH DISCUSSION AND EXCHANGE OF IDEAS.

+THE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY HAS MADE A SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION TO OUR CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL REPUTATION. I CONGRATULATE ALL THOSE PARTICIPANTS WHO HAVE GAINED ADMISSION AND AWARDS AND I WISH THE SALON EVERY SUCCESS IN THE FUTURE.

+I NOW TAKE GREAT PLEASURE IN DECLARING THE 33RD HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL SALON OF PHOTOGRAPHY OPEN.+

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DISABLED PEOPLE TO COMPETE IN TALENT QUEST FINAL

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THREE TEAMS OF DISABLED PEOPLE FROM THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT'S REHABILITATION CENTRES WILL BE COMPETING WITH 16 OTHER TEAMS FROM VOLUNTARY AGENCIES IN THE FINAL OF THE 1978 TALENT QUEST FOR THE HANDICAPPED TOMORROW (SATURDAY).

THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR. THOMAS LEE, WILL BE ONE OF THE JUDGES AND WILL PRESENT PRIZES TO WINNERS OF THE EVENT ORGANISED BY THE ST. LOUIS YOUTH CLUB.

THE TALENT QUEST, AN ANNUAL OPEN COMPETITION WITH ALL SOCIAL WELFARE CENTRES INVITED TO JOIN, AIMS AT ENCOURAGING THE DISABLED TO TAKE PART IN SOCIAL FUNCTIONS AND PROVIDING THEM WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO DISPLAY THEIR TALENTS.

A TOTAL OF 50 TEAMS FROM MORE THAN 20 SOCIAL WELFARE CENTRES HAD ENTERED THE COMPETITION AND TOOK PART IN TWO PRELIMINARY HEATS LAST MONTH.

THE THREE S.W.D. TEAMS COMPRISE TRAINEES FROM THE ABERDEEN REHABILITATION CENTRE, THE KAI CHI CHILDREN'S CENTRE AND THE WORLD REHABILITATION FUND DAY CENTRE.

THEY WILL BE GIVING A MIME SHOW, A DANCE AND MASQUARADE SHOW AND A CANTONESE OPERA PERFORMANCE.

OTHER JUDGES AT THE FINAL WILL INCLUDE LEADING T.V. ARTISTES AND LOCAL COMMUNITY LEADERS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND REPORTERS AND PHOTOGRAPHERS TO COVER THE FINAL OF THE 1978 TALENT QUEST FOR THE HANDICAPPED TO BE HELD TOMORROW (DECEMBER 2) AT 2.30 P.M. IN THE COMMUNITY HALL, CARITAS HOUSE, IN CAINE ROAD.

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TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF SHA TIN BY-PASS

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (FRIDAY) THAT A SECTION OF SHA TIN BY-PASS BETWEEN SHA TIN MARKET AND WO CHE ESTATE WILL BE REDUCED TO SINGLE CARRIAGEWAY FOR A PERIOD OF ABOUT FIVE-AND-A-HALF MONTHS STARTING FROM MONDAY (DECEMBER 4).

THIS ARRANGEMENT IS TO PERMIT CONSTRUCTION OF A SUBWAY AND STRENGTHEN AN EXISTING CULVERT BENEATH SHA TIN BY-PASS.

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE SET UP AND TRAFFIC POLICE WILL BE ON HAND TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.