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 JSEA ALLOCATION RESULTS TO BE RELEASED TOMORROW  
 MORE THAN 65 PER CENT GET AIDED FORM IV PLACES  
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A TOTAL OF 52 091 PUPILS PARTICIPATING IN THE JSEA SYSTEM THIS YEAR HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED FORM IV PLACES IN SCHOOLS IN THE AIDED SECTOR, AN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (MONDAY).

82 757 PUPILS ENTERED FOR THE SYSTEM BUT DURING THE YEAR 2 217 HAVE OPTED OUT AND ANOTHER 1 053 HAVE ACCEPTED PLACES ON FULL-TIME CRAFT COURSE IN TECHNICAL INSTITUTES. OF THE REMAINING 79 487 PARTICIPATING PUPILS, 52 091 OR 65.5 PER CENT HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED SUBSIDISED FORM IV PLACES.

+IN ADDITION, UP TO ABOUT 2 500 PUPILS MAY BE OFFERED PLACES WHICH SCHOOL PRINCIPALS MAY ALLOCATE AT THEIR DISCRETION,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE TOTAL NUMBER OF SUBSIDISED FORM IV PLACES PROVIDED IN CHINESE MIDDLE AND ANGLO-CHINESE SCHOOLS IS ABOUT 55 000 THIS YEAR.

+WE ARE PLEASED TO NOTE THAT THE VAST MAJORITY OF PARENTS HAVE CHOSEN THEIR OWN FEEDER SCHOOL AS FIRST CHOICE. THIS HAS REDUCED THE NUMBER OF INTER-SCHOOL TRANSFERS TO A MINIMUM. IN FACT 41 511 PUPILS (79.69 PER CENT OF THE PLACES ALLOCATED) HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED BACK TO THEIR OWN SCHOOLS.

THE RESULTS OF ALLOCATION WILL BE RELEASED TO ALL PARTICIPATING SECONDARY SCHOOLS FOR COLLECTION BY PUPILS TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

REGISTRATION OF FEEDER PUPILS (I.E. PUPILS ALLOCATED PLACES IN THEIR OWN SCHOOLS) WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE SAME DATE THE ALLOCATION RESULTS ARE RELEASED. FOR THIS PURPOSE PUPILS ARE REMINDED THAT THEY SHOULD LEAVE THEIR REGISTRATION FORMS WITH THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

PUPILS WHO HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED TO OTHER SCHOOLS SHOULD REPORT FOR REGISTRATION ON THURSDAY (JULY 22). WHEN REPORTING FOR REGISTRATION, THESE PUPILS SHOULD BRING THE FOLLOWING :

- (A) PUPIL IDENTIFICATION FORM, OR IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENT PREPARED BY THE SCHOOL AND ENDORSED BY THE JSEA SECTION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT;
- (B) REGISTRATION FORM;
- (C) INDIVIDUAL RESULT SLIP;
- (D) PUPIL'S HONG KONG IDENTITY CARD;
- (E) A NOTE SHOWING HIS CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS, AND THE NAME, ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF HIS PARENTS/GUARDIANS;
- (F) TWO RECENT PASSPORT-SIZE PHOTOGRAPHS WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED BY THE SCHOOL.

PUPILS WHO HAVE ACCEPTED A PLACE OFFERED BY A TECHNICAL INSTITUTE SHOULD REPORT FOR REGISTRATION ON AUGUST 3.

IF A PUPIL IS UNABLE TO COLLECT HIS ALLOCATION RESULT OR GO FOR REGISTRATION ON JULY 22, HE SHOULD AUTHORISE, IN WRITING, A REPRESENTATIVE TO COLLECT THE RESULT OR REPORT TO THE SCHOOL FOR REGISTRATION ON HIS BEHALF. THE LETTER OF AUTHORISATION MUST HAVE BEEN ENDORSED BY THE ORIGINAL SCHOOL. IT SHOULD BE PRODUCED AT THE TIME OF COLLECTION OR REGISTRATION BY THE APPOINTED REPRESENTATIVE.

IN REGISTERING WITH A SCHOOL, A PUPIL MUST SURRENDER HIS REGISTRATION FORM TO THE SCHOOL. IN THE EVENT OF A SUBSEQUENT TRANSFER, THE PUPIL MUST RETRIEVE HIS REGISTRATION FORM FROM THE ORIGINAL SCHOOL WHICH WILL THEN CANCEL HIS REGISTRATION IN THAT SCHOOL.

+SCHOOLS MAY NOT ADMIT ANY PUPIL WITHOUT HIS REGISTRATION FORM,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

PUPILS WHO HAVE MOVED TO ANOTHER DISTRICT AND WISH TO TRANSFER TO A SCHOOL NEARER HIS NEW RESIDENCE AFTER ALLOCATION MUST COMPLETE AN APPLICATION FORM WHICH IS AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL IN WHICH HE COMPLETED HIS FORM III.

THE COMPLETED FORM MUST BE RETURNED TO THE SCHOOL FOR ONWARD TRANSMISSION TO THE ED WHICH WILL NOT ACCEPT ANY FORM NOT ROUTED THROUGH PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS.

APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER WILL CLOSE ON THURSDAY (JULY 22) AND ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUPPORTED BY DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE IDENTIFYING THE PUPIL'S PARENTS AS TENANTS.

+REQUESTS FOR TRANSFER MADE AFTER JULY 22 OR NOT SUBSTANTIATED BY SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE WILL NOT BE ENTERTAINED,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

SHOULD TYPHOON SIGNAL NO. 8 OR ABOVE BE HOISTED ON JULY 22, PUPILS SHOULD WATCH OUT FOR SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS OR MAKE ENQUIRIES WITH THE SCHOOL TO WHICH THEY ARE ALLOCATED FOR ANOTHER DATE OF REGISTRATION.

PUPILS WHO ARE NOT ALLOCATED A SUBSIDISED FORM IV PLACE WILL BE PROVIDED WITH AN INFORMATION SHEET BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT VIA THEIR SCHOOL OUTLINING THE ALTERNATIVE OPPORTUNITIES OPEN TO THEM. THE SHEET CONTAINS ADDRESSES AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS FROM WHICH PUPILS MAY OBTAIN FURTHER INFORMATION.

ALL ENQUIRIES CONCERNING ALLOCATION RESULTS SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE JUNIOR SECONDARY EDUCATION ASSESSMENT SECTION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AT TELEPHONE NUMBER 5-8919099.

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BETTER EDUCATION HELPS DISPEL MENTAL ILLNESS STIGMA

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MANY OF OUR MENTAL ILLNESSES ARE CAUSED OR AGGRAVATED BY SOCIAL PROBLEMS BUT PEOPLE ARE NOW MORE FORTHCOMING IN SEEKING PROFESSIONAL HELP TO OVERCOME THEM, A CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGIST OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT SAID.

MISS HEIDY NG, COORDINATOR OF THE DEPARTMENT'S CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY UNIT (CPU), SAID BETTER EDUCATION AMONG THE YOUNGER GENERATION IS HELPING TO DISPEL THE STIGMA FORMERLY ASSOCIATED WITH MENTAL ILLNESS.

+NO DOUBT THIS IS DUE TO THEIR REALISATION THAT MOST PSYCHOLOGICAL PROBLEMS CAN BE ALLEVIATED IF NOT ENTIRELY CURED. AND THE EARLIER THE PSYCHOLOGICAL SYMPTOMS ARE DETECTED AND COUNSELLING AND TREATMENT INITIATED, THE GREATER THE CHANCE FOR THE PATIENT'S FULL RECOVERY,+ MISS NG SAID.

WITH A STAFF OF ONLY THREE PSYCHOLOGISTS AND TWO SUPPORT PERSONNEL, THE CPU HANDLED ABOUT 1 400 CASES/SESSIONS LAST YEAR - 479 IN INTELLECTUAL ASSESSMENT, 172 IN DIAGNOSTIC ASSESSMENT AND 753 IN TREATMENT.

WHILE CAUTIONING THAT THESE CASES CANNOT BE TAKEN AS REPRESENTATIVE OF THE EXTENT AND NATURE OF MENTAL ILLNESS IN HONG KONG, MISS NG SAID INDICATIONS ARE THAT THE MOST COMMON MENTAL PROBLEMS DEALT WITH IN THE UNIT ARE DEPRESSION, PERSONALITY DISORDER, BEHAVIOURAL MALADJUSTMENTS AND ANXIETY.

+DEPRESSIONS ARE CAUSED BY ALL KINDS OF FAMILY PRESSURE AND FOR THE YOUNG PEOPLE, THERE IS THE ADDED PRESSURE OF EXAMINATIONS AT SCHOOL. PERSONALITY PROBLEMS USUALLY MANIFEST THEMSELVES AMONG THE YOUNG IN WITHDRAWAL OR AGGRESSIVENESS. BUT FOR BOTH YOUNG AND OLD, WHEN THEY FIND THEMSELVES UNABLE TO COPE, THEY BECOME OVERWROUGHT WITH ANXIETY,+ SHE EXPLAINED.

FROM A SMALL OFFICE ESTABLISHED IN 1970 TO PROVIDE ASSESSMENT SERVICES FOR MENTALLY RETARDED CHILDREN, THE CPU HAS EXPANDED TO THREE CENTRES TO HELP PEOPLE OF ALL AGES SUFFERING FROM ALL KINDS OF PSYCHOLOGICAL AND BEHAVIOURAL PROBLEMS, MENTAL DISORDERS AND EMOTIONAL DISTRESS.

SERVICES RENDERED BY THE CPU NOW INCLUDE ASSESSMENT AND TREATMENT, AND CONSULTATION TO COURTS AND SOCIAL WORKERS IN MATTERS CONCERNING CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY AND MENTAL HEALTH.

TWO TYPES OF ASSESSMENTS ARE MADE BY CPU PSYCHOLOGISTS - DIAGNOSTIC AND INTELLECTUAL.

CLIENTS ARE INTERVIEWED PERSONALLY BY CPU PSYCHOLOGISTS OR GIVEN TESTS TO DETERMINE THE CAUSE OF THEIR PROBLEMS, THEIR LEVEL OF INTELLECTUAL FACULTY AND DEGREE OF MENTAL RETARDATION WHERE APPROPRIATE.

A TREATMENT PROGRAMME IS THEN PRESCRIBED FOR THEM WHICH MAY INVOLVE SUPERVISED GROUP DISCUSSION, COUNSELLING AND PLAY SESSIONS TO GIVE THEM A PROPER PERSPECTIVE OF THEIR PROBLEMS AND MAKE THE NECESSARY ADJUSTMENTS IN THEIR LIVES.

/+PATIENTS MAY .....

+PATIENTS MAY ALSO PARTICIPATE IN BEHAVIOURAL MODIFICATION PROGRAMMES WHERE REINFORCEMENTS AND PUNISHMENTS ARE ACTIVELY EMPLOYED TO CORRECT THEIR MALADJUSTED BEHAVIOURS,+ MISS NG ADDED.

WHERE NECESSARY, THEY MAY ALSO BE REFERRED TO ANY OF THE PSYCHIATRIC CENTRES AND HOSPITALS RUN BY THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR IN-PATIENT TREATMENT OR OUT-PATIENT PSYCHIATRIC SERVICE.

PATIENTS UNDER 13 YEARS OF AGE AND SUSPECTED OF SUFFERING FROM MULTIPLE HANDICAP ARE REFERRED TO THE ARRAN STREET CHILD ASSESSMENT CLINIC RUN BY THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR A MORE COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT AND NECESSARY FOLLOW-UP SERVICES.

APART FROM SEEING THEIR PATIENTS IN THEIR OFFICES, CPU PSYCHOLOGISTS PAY REGULAR VISITS TO BOYS' AND GIRLS' HOMES, CHILD CARE CENTRES AND NURSERIES RUN BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT.

THIS IS WHERE SOME OF THE CASES OF ABANDONED, NEGLECTED AND ABUSED CHILDREN ARE FOUND, WITH THEIR PSYCHOLOGICAL AND EMOTIONAL SCARS THAT ARE IN MOST URGENT NEED OF EARLY INTERVENTION.

A STUDY IN 1981 ON THE DEMAND FOR CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGICAL COUNSELLING JOINTLY UNDERTAKEN BY THE SWD AND THE HONG KONG COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE SHOWED THAT ABOUT 10 000 PERSONS NEED PSYCHOLOGICAL COUNSELLING EACH YEAR IN HONG KONG.

THIS GAP BETWEEN THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO NEEDED HELP AND THOSE WHO ACTUALLY SOUGHT HELP MAY PARTLY BE DUE TO THE CUSTOMARY CHINESE AVERSION TO +HAVE ONE'S HEAD EXAMINED+, OR AN HONEST IGNORANCE OF PSYCHOLOGICAL SYMPTOMS.

+THESE SYMPTOMS CAN BE AN IRRATIONAL FEAR, DIFFICULTY IN LEARNING, A TENDENCY TO LOSE ONE'S TEMPER AT THE SLIGHTEST PROVOCATION AND EMOTIONAL INSTABILITY,+ SHE SAID.

SHE ALSO SAID IT IS ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO ASSESS THE FULL RECOVERY RATE OF MENTAL PATIENTS AS THERE IS ALWAYS A POSSIBILITY FOR RELAPSE. BUT HALF OF THE TREATMENT CASES HANDLED BY HER UNIT LAST YEAR WERE TERMINATED BY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PSYCHOLOGIST AND THE PATIENT, ON THE GROUND THAT THE PATIENT NEEDED NO FURTHER HELP AT THE TIME OF TERMINATION.

+OUR AIM IS TO ENHANCE OUR PATIENTS' COPING ABILITY AND PERSONAL GROWTH AND RE-INTEGRATE THEM INTO THE SOCIETY,+ MISS NG ADDED.

THE IMPORTANCE OF MENTAL HEALTH, HOWEVER, IS NO RECENT DISCOVERY. MARCUS TULLIUS CICERO, THE ROMAN STATESMAN AND SCHOLAR, OBSERVED SOME 2 000 YEARS AGO: +THE DISEASES OF THE MIND ARE MORE DESTRUCTIVE THAN THOSE OF THE BODY.+

THE NEED FOR MORE PSYCHOLOGICAL COUNSELLING SERVICES IS RECOGNISED BY THE GOVERNMENT AND A FOURTH CPU CENTRE WILL BE OPENED IN YAU MA TEI LATER THIS YEAR, ADDING TO THE EXISTING THREE IN SAN PO KONG, TSUEN WAN AND CAUSEWAY BAY.

THE NORMAL PROCEDURE IN APPLYING FOR PSYCHOLOGICAL COUNSELLING IS TO APPROACH THE NEAREST DISTRICT FAMILY SERVICE CENTRE OF THE SWD WHOSE COUNSELLORS ARE TRAINED TO DETERMINE THE NEED FOR REFERRAL AND MAKE THE NECESSARY APPOINTMENTS.

## THE SECOND HONG KONG YOUNG MUSIC-MAKERS' TALENT QUEST

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THE MUSIC OFFICE OF THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT WILL CO-ORGANISE WITH RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG AND THE COMPOSERS' AND AUTHORS' SOCIETY OF HONG KONG (CASH) THE SECOND HONG KONG YOUNG MUSIC-MAKERS' TALENT QUEST FOLLOWING LAST YEAR'S ENCOURAGING SUCCESS.

THE OBJECTIVES OF THE TALENT QUEST ARE:-

- \* TO AROUSE INTEREST IN AND RAISE THE STANDARD OF COMPOSING SERIOUS MUSIC AND SINGING AMONG LOCAL AMATEUR MUSICIANS;
- \* TO ENCOURAGE THE APPRECIATION OF SERIOUS MUSIC AMONG LOCAL AUDIENCE; AND
- \* TO PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG COMPOSERS TO HAVE THEIR WORKS PERFORMED IN PUBLIC.

THE TALENT QUEST WILL FEATURE MUSIC COMPOSITION AND VOCAL PERFORMANCE.

A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID LOCAL AMATEUR COMPOSERS AND SINGERS, WHO ARE AGED UNDER 30 AND 25 RESPECTIVELY BY JANUARY 1983, ARE ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE.

APPLICATIONS FOR THE SECOND HONG KONG YOUNG MUSIC MAKERS' TALENT QUEST SHOULD REACH THE MUSIC OFFICE, HONG KONG ARTS CENTRE, 9TH FLOOR, 2 HARBOUR ROAD, WAN CHAI, HONG KONG ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER 13, 1982, HE SAID.

THERE WILL BE TWO SECTIONS IN THE COMPOSITION CATEGORY, ONE FOR WESTERN INSTRUMENTS AND THE OTHER FOR CHINESE INSTRUMENTS. PARTICIPANTS MAY SUBMIT UP TO TWO WORKS FOR EACH SECTION.

PROMISING WORKS WILL BE SELECTED FOR A WORKSHOP PERFORMANCE AT THE SEMI-FINALS IN DECEMBER 1982. A MINIMUM OF THREE PIECES FROM EACH SECTION WOULD BE FURTHER SELECTED FOR PUBLIC PERFORMANCE BY PROFESSIONAL MUSICIANS PROVIDED BY THE ORGANISERS AT THE FINAL CONCERT IN JANUARY 1983.

IN THE VOCAL PERFORMANCE CATEGORY, EVERY PARTICIPANT WILL BE REQUIRED TO SING ONE SOLO ITEM FROM EACH OF THE FOLLOWING GROUPINGS: OPERA, ORATORIO, LIEDER AND ART SONG WRITTEN BY HONG KONG COMPOSERS. THE TOTAL DURATION OF VOCAL PERFORMANCE BY EACH PARTICIPANT SHOULD NOT EXCEED 30 MINUTES.

PRIZES OF \$3 000, \$1 500 AND \$500 WILL BE AWARDED TO THE FIRST THREE MOST OUTSTANDING PARTICIPANTS OF EACH SECTION.

IN ADDITION, THE MOST OUTSTANDING VOCAL PERFORMER MAY BE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CARDIFF INTERNATIONAL SINGING COMPETITION TO BE HELD IN THE UNITED KINGDOM IN JULY 1983 WHILE THE MOST OUTSTANDING COMPOSER OF EACH SECTION MAY HAVE THEIR SELECTED WORKS PUBLISHED UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE COMPOSERS' AND AUTHORS' SOCIETY OF HONG KONG.

APPLICATION FORMS LISTING OUT ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND REGULATIONS OF THE TALENT QUEST ARE AVAILABLE AT ALL MUSIC CENTRES OF THE MUSIC OFFICE, CITY DISTRICT OFFICES, NEW TERRITORIES DISTRICT OFFICES AND THE COMPOSERS' AND AUTHORS' SOCIETY OF HONG KONG AT HONG KONG ARTS CENTRE, 12TH FLOOR, HONG KONG.

MONTHLY SURVEY OF EMPLOYMENT, PAYROLL AND ORDERS-ON-HAND  
FOR MAY 1982  
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THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT TODAY (MONDAY) RELEASED STATISTICS FROM THE MONTHLY SURVEY FOR MAY 1982, WHICH WAS CONDUCTED ON A PANEL OF THE 200 LARGEST MANUFACTURING COMPANIES (CHOSEN BY REFERENCE TO THEIR EMPLOYMENT SIZE IN SEPTEMBER 1979) AS WELL AS OF THE 43 LARGEST COMPANIES IN THE CONSTRUCTION AND SELECTED SERVICES SECTORS.

AS THE SAMPLE WAS NOT DRAWN ON A RANDOM BASIS, THE RESULTS ON MAGNITUDE OF CHANGE MIGHT NOT REFLECT THE EXPERIENCE OF THE ECONOMY AS A WHOLE, BUT SHOULD GIVE USEFUL INDICATIONS OF THE DIRECTION OF CHANGE FOR A QUICK ASSESSMENT OF DEVELOPMENTS IN THE ECONOMY IN THE SHORT TERM.

ACCORDING TO THE MANUFACTURERS SURVEYED, EMPLOYMENT INCREASED IN THE FOOD AND DRINKS INDUSTRY IN MAY 1982 AS COMPARED WITH THE PRECEDING MONTH ON ACCOUNT OF A HIGHER SEASONAL DEMAND FOR SOFT DRINKS AND BEER. EMPLOYMENT DECLINED IN THE FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS INDUSTRY DUE TO THE CLOSURE OF A FACTORY SURVEYED TOWARDS THE END OF THE MONTH.

PER CAPITA EARNINGS ROSE GENERALLY IN THE MANUFACTURING AND CONSTRUCTION SECTOR.

WITHIN MANUFACTURING, PER CAPITA EARNINGS ROSE IN THE TEXTILES INDUSTRY ON ACCOUNT OF SALARY ADJUSTMENTS, AND THE AWARD OF BONUSES AND BACK PAY IN A FEW FACTORIES SURVEYED. PER CAPITA EARNINGS ALSO ROSE IN THE FOOD AND DRINKS INDUSTRY BECAUSE MORE COMMISSION WAS PAID TO EMPLOYEES IN SEVERAL SOFT DRINKS FACTORIES IN A PERIOD OF BETTER BUSINESS.

IN THE CASE OF FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS, THE INCREASE IN PER CAPITA EARNINGS WAS BROUGHT ABOUT BY THE AWARD OF SEVERANCE PAY TO EMPLOYEES UPON THE CLOSURE OF A FACTORY SURVEYED.

ON THE OTHER HAND, THE DECREASE IN PER CAPITA EARNINGS IN THE PLASTICS INDUSTRY WAS DUE TO THE EMPLOYMENT OF STUDENTS AS SUMMER WORKERS THIS MONTH WITH LOWER RATES OF PAY, AND THE AWARD OF SEVERANCE PAY BY ONE FACTORY IN THE PRECEDING MONTH.

PER CAPITA EARNINGS DROPPED IN THE SERVICES SECTOR, NOTABLY IN HOTELS FOLLOWING THE PAYMENT OF BONUSES BY A FEW COMPANIES SURVEYED IN THE PRECEDING MONTH.

ACCORDING TO THE RESULTS OF THE SURVEY, THERE WERE SLIGHTLY MORE ORDERS-ON-HAND (IN TERMS OF MONTHS) FOR THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR AS A WHOLE. ORDERS-ON-HAND ROSE SLIGHTLY IN THE ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS INDUSTRY.

THE PERCENTAGE CHANGES IN EMPLOYMENT, PER CAPITA EARNINGS AND ORDERS-ON-HAND FOR THE LAST THREE MONTHS ARE SHOWN IN THE ACCOMPANYING TABLE.

THE SURVEY REPORT FOR MAY 1982 IS NOW ON SALE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GENERAL POST OFFICE, AT \$1.5 PER COPY. ENQUIRIES ON THE SURVEY RESULTS MAY BE MADE TO THE INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION STATISTICS SECTION OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT (AT 3-7221914).

A. Employment and earnings

| <u>Industry/Service</u>               | <u>Persons engaged by</u><br><u>the companies surveyed</u> |                             |                           | <u>Per capita earnings</u> |                             |                           | <u>Per capita</u><br><u>earnings</u><br><u>for</u><br><u>May 1982</u><br><u>(HK\$)</u> |
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|                                       | (% change over the preceding month)                        |                             |                           |                            |                             |                           |  |
|                                       | <u>Mar.</u><br><u>1982</u>                                 | <u>April</u><br><u>1982</u> | <u>May</u><br><u>1982</u> | <u>Mar.</u><br><u>1982</u> | <u>April</u><br><u>1982</u> | <u>May</u><br><u>1982</u> |  |
| <u>Manufacturing</u>                  | <u>-2</u>  | <u>-1</u>                   | <u>-1</u>                 | <u>4</u>                   | <u>1</u>                    | <u>2</u>                  | <u>2151</u>  |
| Food and drinks                       | *  | 1                           | 5                         | 6                          | 5                           | 4                         | 2947   |
| Wearing apparel,<br>except footwear   | -2   | *                           | -1                        | 4                          | 1                           | 2                         | 1852   |
| Textiles, except<br>wearing apparel   | -2   | -1                          | -1                        | 10                         | 1                           | 7                         | 2168   |
| Plastic products                      | 2  | 2                           | 1                         | 12                         | 3                           | -5                        | 1851   |
| Fabricated metal<br>products          | *  | 1                           | -8                        | 7                          | -3                          | 8                         | 1944   |
| Electrical and<br>electronic products | -4   | -3                          | 1                         | -1                         | 3                           | -1                        | 2013   |
| Others                                | -2   | -2                          | -1                        | 4                          | *                           | *                         | 2927   |
| <u>Construction</u>                   | <u>*</u>   | <u>1</u>                    | <u>*</u>                  | <u>6</u>                   | <u>1</u>                    | <u>3</u>                  | <u>3394</u>  |
| <u>Services</u>                       | <u>*</u>   | <u>*</u>                    | <u>*</u>                  | <u>2</u>                   | <u>5</u>                    | <u>-2</u>                 | <u>3718</u>  |
| Banks                                 | *  | 1                           | 1                         | 5                          | 2                           | 1                         | 3432   |
| Hotels                                | *  | -1                          | -2                        | *                          | 11                          | -7                        | 2394   |
| Public utilities                      | 1  | *                           | 1                         | 2                          | 5                           | -1                        | 3557   |
| Others                                | 1  | *                           | *                         | *                          | 6                           | -6                        | 5677   |

B. Orders-on-hand in manufacturing

| <u>Industry</u>                       | (% change over the<br>preceding month) |                             |                           | <u>Orders-on-hand</u><br><u>(in terms of</u><br><u>months) for</u><br><u>May 1982</u> |
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|                                       | <u>Mar.</u><br><u>1982</u>             | <u>April</u><br><u>1982</u> | <u>May</u><br><u>1982</u> |   |
| Wearing apparel,<br>except footwear   | -2                                     | 2                           | *                         | 4.5   |
| Textiles, except<br>wearing apparel   | *                                      | *                           | *                         | 2.4   |
| Plastic products                      | 5                                      | -7                          | *                         | 3.9   |
| Fabricated metal products             | -6                                     | -3                          | *                         | 2.9   |
| Electrical and electronic<br>products | *                                      | *                           | 2                         | 5.0   |
| Others                                | -6                                     | *                           | *                         | 3.3   |
| All above industries                  | -2                                     | *                           | 2                         | 4.1   |

\* Changes of less than 0.5%

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'FOCUS ON ENGLISH' WEEK

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A 'FOCUS ON ENGLISH' WEEK AIMED AT DEMONSTRATING THE NEW WAYS AND MEANS IN THE TEACHING OF ENGLISH IS NOW OPEN TO TEACHERS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC UNTIL FRIDAY AT THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHING CENTRE AT 9A BONHAM ROAD, HONG KONG.

OPENED TODAY BY THE ACTING ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION (CHIEF INSPECTOR OF SCHOOLS), MRS LOUISE MOK, 'FOCUS ON ENGLISH' IS ORGANISED BY THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHING CENTRE AND THE ENGLISH SECTION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S ADVISORY INSPECTORATE.

THROUGHOUT THIS WEEK THERE WILL BE DAILY SHOWINGS OF TWO ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHING FILMS, NAMELY 'THREE CLASSROOMS' AND 'COMMUNICATE!'. BOTH FILMS WERE RECENTLY PRODUCED BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT TO DEMONSTRATE THE COMMUNICATIVE APPROACH AND SOME OF THE TEACHING TECHNIQUES RECOMMENDED IN THE REVISED ENGLISH SYLLABUSES FOR PRIMARY AND SECONDARY LEVEL.

THE FILMS WILL BE SHOWN DAILY AT 9.30 AM, 11 AM AND 2.30 PM. THERE WILL BE TIME FOR DISCUSSION AND QUESTIONS AFTER THE SHOWING OF THE FILMS.

TEACHERS WILL ALSO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY OF TRYING OUT A WIDE RANGE OF LISTENING COMPREHENSION MATERIAL AVAILABLE FROM THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHING CENTRE.

A ROOM IN THE CENTRE HAS ALSO BEEN FITTED WITH THE WIRE-FREE INDUCTION LOOP SYSTEM AND TEACHERS WILL BE ABLE TO FAMILIARISE THEMSELVES WITH THIS VERY USEFUL AUDIO AID.

THERE WILL ALSO BE A DISPLAY OF SOME OF THE WORK ACHIEVED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR BY THE FIVE SCHOOLS WHICH PARTICIPATED IN THE LOOP TRYOUT SCHEME.

INSPECTORS FROM THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT WILL BE AT THE CENTRE THROUGHOUT THE WEEK TO ANSWER QUESTIONS RELATED TO ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHING WHILE PUBLISHERS HAVE ALSO BEEN INVITED TO MOUNT A DISPLAY OF COMMERCIALY PRODUCED MATERIALS.

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WATER FIGURES

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STORAGE IN HONG KONG'S RESERVOIRS AT 9 AM TODAY (MONDAY) STOOD AT 64.9 PER CENT OF CAPACITY OR 375.028 MILLION CUBIC METRES, EQUIVALENT TO 248 DAYS' CONSUMPTION.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR THE RESERVOIRS CONTAINED 222.930 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF WATER, REPRESENTING 38.6 PER CENT OF CAPACITY.

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GOOD PROGRESS MADE IN IMPLEMENTING FEE SCHEME

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SMOOTH PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE IN IMPLEMENTING THE FEE ASSISTANCE SCHEME FOR PRE-PRIMARY SERVICES, WHICH COMES INTO EFFECT IN SEPTEMBER, THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MRS ANSON CHAN, SAID TODAY (MONDAY).

SHE WAS SPEAKING AT THE RENAMING CEREMONY OF THE TUNG WAH GROUP OF HOSPITALS' CHAN HAN DAY NURSERY IN SAU MAU PING.

SHE SAID THE AIM OF THE SCHEME, WHICH WAS ONE OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE WHITE PAPER ON PRIMARY EDUCATION AND PRE-PRIMARY SERVICES, WAS TO MAKE CHILD CARE SERVICES AVAILABLE TO MORE FAMILIES.

+LOW-INCOME FAMILIES WILL RECEIVE GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE IN MEETING FEES FOR CHILD CARE PLACES,+ SHE SAID.

MRS CHAN NOTED THAT IN HONG KONG, THE DEMAND FOR CHILD CARE SERVICES WAS STRONG BECAUSE FOR MANY FAMILIES, CHILDREN COULD NOT BE ADEQUATELY CARED FOR AT HOME. +THERE ARE VARIOUS FACTORS INVOLVED,+ SHE SAID. +THE HOME MAY BE TOO CROWDED, OR BOTH PARENTS HAVE TO GO OUT TO WORK.+

THE WHITE PAPER IS AIMED AT FURTHER IMPROVING PRE-PRIMARY SERVICES, WITH EMPHASIS ON CARE FOR YOUNG CHILDREN.

THE INTENTION IS TO ENABLE CHILDREN TO ACHIEVE BALANCED DEVELOPMENT OF THEIR PHYSICAL AND SOCIAL CAPABILITIES IN AN ENVIRONMENT OF CREATIVE PLAY ACTIVITIES AND LEARNING.

MRS CHAN SAID THAT SINCE THE ENACTMENT OF THE CHILD CARE CENTRES ORDINANCE, THE STANDARDS OF CHILD CARE CENTRES HAD GRADUALLY BEEN RAISED. +CHILD CARE SERVICES HAVE ACHIEVED THE DESIRED RESULTS WITH THE CLOSE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND THOSE ORGANISATIONS PROVIDING SUCH SERVICES,+ SHE ADDED.

MRS CHAN PAID TRIBUTE TO THE TUNG WAH GROUP OF HOSPITALS FOR ITS WORK IN THE FIELD OF CHILD WELFARE.

TUNG WAH OPERATES SEVEN CHILD CARE CENTRES THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY, PROVIDING MORE THAN 700 CHILD CARE PLACES.

SHE NOTED THAT TUNG WAH WAS NOW PLANNING TO SET UP THREE NEW CHILD CARE CENTRES IN THE NEW TOWNS OF TAI PO, FANLING AND TUEN MUN OVER THE NEXT THREE YEARS. THE NEW CENTRES WILL BRING AN ADDITIONAL 400 CHILD CARE PLACES.

+THIS NO DOUBT IS GOOD NEWS FOR THOSE MOVING INTO THE NEW TOWNS,+ MRS CHAN SAID.

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FRESH WATER CUT IN MID-LEVELS

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN THE MID-LEVELS WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR SEVEN HOURS FROM 11 PM ON WEDNESDAY (JULY 21) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR A LEAKAGE TEST.

THE PREMISES AFFECTED WILL BE NOS. 15-19 GARDEN ROAD, 44 KENNEDY ROAD, 22 ALBANY ROAD AND THOSE IN MACDONNELL ROAD AND BOWEN ROAD.

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EXHIBITION ON MORAL EDUCATION

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A THREE-DAY EXHIBITION ON MORAL EDUCATION WILL BE HELD AT QUEEN ELIZABETH SCHOOL AT SAI YEE STREET, KOWLOON, STARTING FROM TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

THE EXHIBITION HAS BEEN ORGANISED BY THE RELIGIOUS/ETHICAL EDUCATION UNIT OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S ADVISORY INSPECTORATE IN CO-OPERATION WITH 12 GOVERNMENT AND AIDED SECONDARY SCHOOLS, AND THE COMMUNITY RELATIONS DEPARTMENT OF THE INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION.

IT IS AIMED AT FAMILIARISING TEACHERS WITH AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS FOR MORAL EDUCATION AND THE TEACHING OF ETHICS OR RELIGIOUS KNOWLEDGE.

THE EXHIBITION WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FROM 1 PM TO 4.30 PM TOMORROW AND FROM 9.30 AM TO 4.30 PM ON WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE WELCOME TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE EXHIBITION ON MORAL EDUCATION AT QUEEN ELIZABETH SCHOOL AT SAI YEE STREET, KOWLOON.

THE EXHIBITION WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC BETWEEN 1 PM TOMORROW (TUESDAY) AND 4.30 PM ON THURSDAY.

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URBAN CLEARWAY IN WAN CHAI

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WAN CHAI ROAD BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH TIN LOK LANE AND A POINT ABOUT 50 METRES WEST OF THE JUNCTION WILL BE DESIGNATED AS AN URBAN CLEARWAY STARTING FROM FRIDAY (JULY 23) AFTERNOON AND THEREAFTER FROM 7 AM TO 10 AM AND FROM 4 PM TO 7 PM DAILY.

DURING THESE PERIODS, VEHICLES WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM STOPPING FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS WITHIN THE SECTION.

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