



# DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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\$1 MILLION FOR QUEEN'S SILVER JUBILEE APPEAL FUND  
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THE QUEEN'S SILVER JUBILEE APPEAL FUND TODAY (TUESDAY) RECEIVED ITS LARGEST SINGLE DONATION TO DATE, THE SUM OF \$1 MILLION.

THE MONEY WAS A PERSONAL DONATION BY MR. WILLIAM MA CHING-WAI, WHO PRESENTED A CHEQUE FOR THIS SUM TO MR. Q.W. LEE, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE APPEAL FUND COMMITTEE, AT A RECEPTION HELD AT THE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT.

MR. MA IS FIRST VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF THE TUNG WAH GROUP OF HOSPITALS AND CHAIRMAN OF THE HONG KONG AND KOWLOON REAL ESTATE ASSOCIATION. MR. MA IS ALSO DIRECTOR AND MANAGER OF TAI SANG BANK LTD., AND TAI SANG LAND DEVELOPMENT LTD. AS WELL AS A MEMBER OF THE APPEAL FUND COMMITTEE.

THIS DONATION BRINGS TO \$4 MILLION THE AMOUNT RECEIVED SO FAR SINCE THE APPEAL WAS LAUNCHED IN APRIL. IN ADDITION, INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANISATIONS HAVE PLEDGED A FURTHER \$2.75 MILLION WHICH INCLUDES A PLEDGE OF \$1 MILLION BY ANOTHER SINGLE DONOR, MR. WILLIAM LEE WAI-LEE.

THE APPEAL FUND WAS ESTABLISHED IN CONNECTION WITH THE QUEEN'S SILVER JUBILEE TO RAISE MONEY FOR PROJECTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF HONG KONG'S YOUNG PEOPLE. THE INITIAL PLAN IS TO USE THE FUNDS TO PROVIDE SOME OF THE FACILITIES AND PROGRAMMES AT THE PLANNED SHA TIN SPORTS CENTRE.

THE AIM OF THIS PROJECT, WHICH IS A JOINT VENTURE BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB, IS TO PROVIDE A MAJOR SPORTS CENTRE FOR HONG KONG. THE CONCEPT IS COMPLETELY DIFFERENT FROM ANY SPORTS FACILITIES SO FAR BUILT IN HONG KONG WHICH CATER FOR SPECTATORS AS MUCH AS FOR ACTIVE SPORTSMEN. AT SHA TIN THE EMPHASIS IS TO BE ON SPORTS TRAINING AND COACHING WITH NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL EXPERTS GIVING GUIDANCE TO OUR UP-AND-COMING SPORTSMEN AND WOMEN IN A WIDE VARIETY OF SPORTS WITH A VIEW TO RAISING THE LEVEL OF SPORT THROUGHOUT HONG KONG AND THUS STIMULATING INCREASING PARTICIPATION IN SPORT.

ANY PERSON OR ORGANISATION WISHING TO DONATE TOWARDS THE FUND SHOULD SEND THEIR DONATIONS TO MR. M.G.R. SANDBERG, QUEEN'S SILVER JUBILEE FUND, C/O HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION AT 1 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONG KONG. APPROPRIATE RECOGNITION WILL BE MADE OF DONATIONS IF DONORS SO WISH.

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TUEN MUN LOTS SOLD FOR \$14.6 M

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THE GOVERNMENT TODAY SOLD TWO LOTS OF COMMERCIAL/  
RESIDENTIAL SITES IN THE FAST DEVELOPING NEW TOWN OF TUEN MUN  
IN THE NEW TERRITORIES FOR \$14.6 MILLION.

THE TWO LOTS WERE SOLD AT A PUBLIC AUCTION ATTENDED BY  
ABOUT 150 PEOPLE AT THE HOH FUK TONG SECONDARY SCHOOL.

THE BIGGER OF THE TWO LOTS COMPRISING 14,500 SQ. FT. WENT  
UNDER THE HAMMER FOR \$8.8 MILLION -- NEARLY DOUBLE THE UPSET  
PRICE OF \$4.5 MILLION AFTER HEATED BIDDING.

THE BUYERS, LAKESHORE LAND INVESTMENT LTD., PAID \$607 PER  
SQ. FT. FOR THIS LAND.

THE SECOND LOT MEASURING 9,300 SQ. FT. NETTED \$5.8  
MILLION AFTER BIDDING HAD STARTED AT \$3 MILLION.

THE BUYERS WERE COMMON BOND INVESTMENT LTD. WHO PAID \$623  
PER SQ. FT.

THE TWO LOTS CARRIED BUILDING COVENANTS REQUIRING THE  
BUYERS TO SPEND A TOTAL OF \$4.76 MILLION ON THE SITES WITHIN  
36 MONTHS.

THE SENIOR ESTATE SURVEYOR, MR. VINCENT CHU WHO CONDUCTED  
THE AUCTION ALONG WITH MR. R.B.J. CROSS, ESTATE SURVEYOR, SAID  
IT WAS THE FIRST SUCH AUCTION HELD BY GOVERNMENT OF NON-  
INDUSTRIAL LAND IN TUEN MUN SINCE NOVEMBER 1974. A LOT OF  
5,000 SQ. FT. WAS THEN SOLD FOR \$790,000 OR \$158 PER SQ. FT.

+THERE IS CONSIDERABLE DEVELOPMENT, BOTH INDUSTRIAL AND  
RESIDENTIAL, UNDERWAY IN TUEN MUN AND THE KEEN BIDDING TODAY  
CLEARLY INDICATES THE GREAT DEMAND FOR COMMERCIAL/RESIDENTIAL  
SITES IN THE DISTRICT,+ HE SAID.

+IT ALSO DEMONSTRATES THE PUBLIC'S INTEREST AND CONFIDENCE  
IN THE FUTURE PROSPECT FOR TUEN MUN NEW TOWN,+ MR. CHU ADDED.

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GOVERNMENT TAKES OVER VACATED BUILDING IN WAN CHAI  
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THE UPPER FLOORS AND HALF OF THE SHOP SPACE OF A BUILDING AT NO. 370, HENNESSY ROAD, WAN CHAI, WERE TAKEN OVER BY THE GOVERNMENT THIS (TUESDAY) MORNING AFTER THE OCCUPANTS HAD COMPLETELY VACATED THE PREMISES.

THE BUILDING, ALONG WITH THREE OTHERS AT NO. 372, HENNESSY ROAD AND NOS. 2-4, TIN LOK LANE, ARE REQUIRED TO MAKE WAY FOR THE WIDENING OF THE TIN LOK LANE, PART OF A MAJOR ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT TO EASE THE TRAFFIC CONDITIONS IN THE WAN CHAI AREA.

THEY HAVE BEEN RESUMED BY THE GOVERNMENT THROUGH PROPER RESUMPTION PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE CROWN LANDS RESUMPTION ORDINANCE IN FEBRUARY THIS YEAR.

COMMENTING ON THE TAKING OVER OF ONE OF THE BUILDINGS, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT ALTHOUGH THE REMAINING OCCUPANTS OF OTHER BUILDINGS WERE ALLOWED TO STAY UP TO AUGUST 24 THIS YEAR, THIS PARTICULAR BUILDING WAS IMMEDIATELY REQUIRED FOR CARRYING OUT PERMANENT STRUCTURAL SUPPORTS TO STABILISE THE ADJACENT BUILDING BEFORE ITS DEMOLITION.

HE POINTED OUT THAT THE OWNERS OF THE BUILDINGS AFFECTED HAD BEEN COMPENSATED FOR THEIR PROPERTIES AT MARKET VALUE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CROWN LANDS RESUMPTION ORDINANCE WHILE ALL OCCUPIERS HAD BEEN GIVEN EX-GRATIA COMPENSATION, CALCULATED ON A RANGE OF RATES UP TO \$21 PER SQUARE FOOT FOR DOMESTIC ACCOMMODATION AND UP TO \$42 PER SQUARE FOOT FOR BUSINESS OCCUPATION.

IN ADDITION, ELIGIBLE DOMESTIC TENANTS HAD ALSO BEEN GIVEN ALTERNATIVE ACCOMMODATION IN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES, HE ADDED.

FOR THE DOMESTIC TENANTS IN THE BUILDINGS AFFECTED, ALL OF THEM HAVE MOVED OUT AND HANDED BACK THEIR PREMISES AFTER HAVING RECEIVED THEIR EX-GRATIA COMPENSATION. A TOTAL OF 27 FAMILIES HAVE BEEN PROVIDED WITH NEW HOMES IN THE PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES.

THERE ARE STILL FIVE SHOPS AND TWO WORKSHOPS REMAINING IN THE BUILDINGS. THE OPERATORS ARE ALSO URGED TO ACCEPT THE OFFER MADE BY THE GOVERNMENT AND TO MOVE OUT OF THE PREMISES WITHOUT DELAY.

THE OPERATORS HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT THEY MAY, IF THEY DISAGREE WITH THE GOVERNMENT'S OFFER OF COMPENSATION, ACCEPT PAYMENT OF THAT OFFER WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THEIR RIGHTS TO SUBSEQUENTLY SUBMIT A CLAIM TO THE GOVERNMENT AND, IF SUCH CLAIM IS NOT ACCEPTED BY THE GOVERNMENT, TO REFER THEIR CLAIM TO THE LANDS TRIBUNAL, WHICH IS AN INDEPENDENT BODY, FOR DETERMINATION.

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THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT THE CLEARANCE OF THE BUILDINGS, SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE ON MAY 18 HAD BEEN POSTPONED TO AUGUST 24 TO GIVE THE OCCUPIERS A FURTHER GRACE PERIOD OF THREE MONTHS TO MAKE THEIR REMOVAL ARRANGEMENTS.

BY GIVING SUCH AN EXTENSION, THE OCCUPIERS WOULD HAVE ENJOYED A RENT-FREE PERIOD OF MORE THAN SIX MONTHS, HE ADDED.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE WIDENING OF THE TIN LOK LANE WAS AN IMPORTANT ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT WHICH MUST BE CARRIED OUT ACCORDING TO THE WORK SCHEDULE AND THE REMAINING SHOP OPERATORS MUST VACATE THEIR PREMISES BY AUGUST 24.

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#### PA AND DIA RECIPIENTS ALERTED ON IMPOSTERS

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THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT TODAY WARNED RECIPIENTS OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AND DISABILITY AND INFIRMITY ALLOWANCES TO BE ON GUARD AGAINST PEOPLE IMPERSONATING GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS CHEATING THEM OFF THEIR MONTHLY ALLOWANCES.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY THAT RECENTLY AN ELDERLY WOMAN WAS APPROACHED BY A MAN POSING AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE DEPARTMENT AND CHEATED HER OUT OF HER LIFE SAVINGS.

+RECIPIENTS WHO ARE UNCERTAIN OF ANY CALLERS CLAIMING TO BE FROM THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT SHOULD INSIST ON IDENTIFICATIONS. ALL STAFF ARE ISSUED WITH DEPARTMENTAL IDENTITY CARDS,+ HE STRESSED.

FURTHERMORE, RECIPIENTS OF BOTH PA AND DIA HAVE ALL BEEN GIVEN A REFERENCE CARD (FORM 321). ON THE CARD ARE LISTED THE RECIPIENT'S NAME AND HIS CASE-FILE NUMBER- THE NAME OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY FIELD UNIT- AND THE CASEWORKER'S NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER.

+IF THE RECIPIENTS HAVE DOUBTS ABOUT THE IDENTIFICATION OF THE CALLER, VERIFICATION CAN BE MADE IMMEDIATELY BY CONTACTING THE DEPARTMENT OVER THE PHONE.

+IN NO CASE SHOULD THEY HAND OVER ANY MONEY,+ THE SPOKESMAN ADVISED.

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PERMIT REQUIRED FOR BERTHING AT  
PUBLIC CARGO WORKING AREA  
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THE MARINE DEPARTMENT HAS REMINDED OWNERS OF LOCAL CARGO VESSELS THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO OBTAIN A PERMIT FOR BERTHING SUCH VESSELS AT A PUBLIC CARGO WORKING AREA.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID THAT FAILURE TO DO SO COULD LEAD TO PROSECUTION UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE PORT CONTROL (CARGO WORKING AREAS) ORDINANCE.

RECENTLY A TSUEN WAN COURT FINED THE OWNER OF A LOCAL CARGO VESSEL \$1,000 FOR FAILING TO OBTAIN SUCH A PERMIT.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT IT WAS NECESSARY TO REGULATE CARGO WORKING ACTIVITIES AND TO IMPROVE THE EFFICIENCY AT PUBLIC SEAWALLS GENERALLY. IT WAS THE MAIN FUNCTION OF THE CARGO HANDLING SECTION OF THE MARINE DEPARTMENT TO ENSURE THAT THE CONTROL SCHEME AS PROVIDED IN THE ORDINANCE WAS PROPERLY IMPLEMENTED, TO COLLATE INFORMATION RELATING TO CARGO MOVEMENTS ACROSS PUBLIC SEAWALLS, AND TO FORMULATE THE PHASED PROGRAMMES FOR DEVELOPING PUBLIC CARGO WORKING AREAS AND WATERFRONTS.

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FIRE SERVICES OFFICERS TO INSPECT FACTORY BUILDINGS  
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NOTE TO EDITORS:

OFFICERS OF THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT WILL PAY A RETURN VISIT TO SAN PO KONG TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) AND ON THURSDAY TO INSPECT THE INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS IN THE AREA.

THE VISIT FOLLOWS THE SURVEY MADE IN MARCH THIS YEAR DURING WHICH THE CONDITIONS IN MOST OF THE BUILDINGS WERE FOUND TO BE UNSATISFACTORY.

ABOUT 50 OFFICERS WILL CARRY OUT THE INSPECTION WHICH WILL START AT 9.30 A.M. ON BOTH DAYS.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND A REPORTER AND/OR PHOTOGRAPHER TO COVER THE INSPECTION TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY). YOUR REPRESENTATIVES ARE REQUESTED TO ASSEMBLE AT THE MOBILE COMMAND UNIT AT TAI YAU STREET. A SENIOR FIRE OFFICER WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST THE PRESS.

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LABOUR COMMISSIONER ON FAMILIARISATION TOUR  
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NOTE TO EDITORS:

THE COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR, MR. PETER WILLIAMS, WILL VISIT TWO FACTORIES ON A FAMILIARISATION TOUR TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY).

HE WILL FIRST GO TO AMPEX FERROTEC LTD. AT 603, TAI NAM STREET IN SHAM SHUI PO AT 2 P.M. BEFORE VISITING THE CENTRAL TEXTILES (H.K.) LTD. AT 8, SHA TSUI ROAD IN TSUEN WAN AT 4 P.M.

LIMITED TRANSPORT WILL BE AVAILABLE TO PRESS REPRESENTATIVES WHO WISH TO COVER THE VISITS. A NINE-SEATER VAN WILL LEAVE HANKOW ROAD NEXT TO THE PENINSULA HOTEL AT 1.15 P.M. TOMORROW.

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