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EUROPE'S AWARENESS OF HK GROWING -- CS
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THERE IS AN INCREASING AWARENESS IN EUROPE OF THE IMPORTANCE OF HONG KONG AND THE EMERGING IMPORTANCE OF HONG KONG AS A CENTRE OF BUSINESS IN THE REGION, THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR DAVID AKERS-JONES, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

SPEAKING TO REPORTERS AT THE AIRPORT AFTER HIS RETURN FROM EUROPE, SIR DAVID SAID THE MOST INTERESTING THING HE DID DURING THE TRIP WAS TO OFFICIATE AT THE INAUGURATION OF THE BELGIUM-HONG KONG SOCIETY AT BRUSSELS.

THERE HE WAS ABLE TO MEET ABOUT 60 BUSINESSMEN FROM BELGIUM WHO WERE INTERESTED IN SETTING UP THEIR ORGANISATIONS IN HONG KONG.

+THIS WILL FURTHER CO-OPERATION BETWEEN HONG KONG AND BRUSSELS, AND ALSO WILL LEAD TO INCREASING BUSINESS BETWEEN THE TWO PLACES. SO THAT IS A VERY IMPORTANT THING,+ SIR DAVID SAID.

WHEN ASKED ABOUT RECENT CASES OF CHILD ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS FROM CHINA, SIR DAVID SAID THAT HE WAS SURE THE GOVERNMENT WOULD BE BRINGING THIS TO THE ATTENTION OF THE CHINESE AUTHORITIES.

+THIS IS NOT GOOD FOR ANYONE, IT'S NOT GOOD FOR THE CHILDREN, IT'S NOT GOOD FOR THE AUTHORITIES IN CHINA OR THE AUTHORITIES HERE,+ HE SAID.

TURNING TO THE QUESTION OF ALLOWANCE FOR DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS, SIR DAVID SAID THAT HE GATHERED FROM PRESS REPORTS THAT MEMBERS WERE NOT SATISFIED WITH IT, AND ALSO THAT SOME LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS HAD COMMENTED ON THE INADEQUACY OF THE ALLOWANCE AND ALSO ON THE GOVERNMENT'S SLOWNESS IN GRANTING IT.

ASKED WHETHER THE GOVERNMENT WOULD REVIEW THE RATE OF ALLOWANCE, SIR DAVID SAID, +CERTAINLY, IN VIEW OF THE REQUEST, I THINK PROBABLY THE GOVERNMENT WILL OBVIOUSLY AS WE DO WITH ALL REQUESTS, LOOK AT IT AGAIN.+

ASKED WHETHER PEOPLE'S CONFIDENCE IN DB MEMBERS WOULD BE AFFECTED AS THEY WERE SO CONCERNED ABOUT THE QUESTION OF ALLOWANCE, SIR DAVID SAID HE DID NOT THINK SO.

+I DON'T THINK PEOPLE'S CONFIDENCE IN THE DISTRICT BOARDS IS IN ANY WAY AFFECTED BY THIS. THIS IS SIMPLY BETWEEN THE BOARD MEMBERS AND THE GOVERNMENT. THE DISTRICT BOARDS HAVE DONE A VERY GOOD JOB OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS AND ARE DOING A VERY GOOD JOB,+ HE SAID.

/SIR DAVID

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SIR DAVID ADDED THAT HE DID NOT THINK THAT DB MEMBERS WERE TRYING TO PUT PRESSURE ON THE GOVERNMENT AT A TIME THE GOVERNMENT WAS REVIEWING THE REPRESENTATIVE SYSTEM.

WHAT THEY WERE SAYING WAS THAT THE ALLOWANCE WAS NOT ENOUGH AND THAT IN ORDER TO DO THEIR JOB PROPERLY THEY WOULD LIKE MORE MONEY, AND THEY WOULD LIKE MORE MONEY TO SET UP THEIR OWN OFFICES SO THAT THEY COULD SERVE THE PEOPLE BETTER THAN THEY WERE AT THE MOMENT, SIR DAVID SAID.

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WELL BEING OF RURAL COMMUNITIES NOT OVERLOOKED
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THE WELL-BEING OF RESIDENTS IN RURAL COMMUNITIES WOULD NOT BE OVERLOOKED AS THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE FANLING/SHEUNG SHUI NEW TOWN GATHERED MOMENTUM, NORTH DISTRICT OFFICER, MR MATTHEW CHEUNG SAID TODAY.

IN FACT, THE GOVERNMENT HAD EMBARKED ON AN AMBITIOUS PROGRAMME TO UPGRADE THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN THE REMOTER PARTS OF THE DISTRICT, HE SAID.

SPEAKING AT THE PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY OF THE SEVENTH NORTH DISTRICT ATHLETIC MEET, MR CHEUNG SAID THAT AS PART OF AN OVERALL EFFORT TO EXTEND ITS SERVICE TO THE FAR CORNERS IN THE RURAL AREAS, THE DISTRICT OFFICE WOULD SET UP TWO SUB-OFFICES IN SHA TAU KOK AND TA KWU LING.

THE SHA TAU KOK OFFICE WOULD FIT IN WITH THE \$200 MILLION REDEVELOPMENT OF THE SHA TAU KOK TOWNSHIP WHICH WAS UNDERWAY WHILE THE ONE IN TA KWU LING WOULD FORM THE CORE OF THE RURAL CENTRE TO BE BUILT AT PING CHE, MR CHEUNG SAID.

HE SAID THAT BOTH OFFICES WOULD CONSIST OF A FULL RANGE OF PUBLIC ENQUIRY AND LIAISON SERVICES AND WOULD OPERATE ALONGSIDE A PURPOSE-BUILT COMMUNITY HALL TO BE MANAGED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE.

+THESE FACILITIES PROVIDING A FOCAL POINT FOR COMMUNITY BUILDING ACTIVITIES IN THEIR RESPECTIVE AREAS WOULD NO DOUBT BRING THE GOVERNMENT CLOSER TO THE COMMUNITY,+ MR CHEUNG SAID.

TURNING TO THE PROVISION OF RECREATION AND SPORTS FACILITIES FOR THE FAST GROWING NORTH DISTRICT, MR CHEUNG SAID THAT A SOPHISTICATED SPORTS COMPLEX, COMPRISING TRACK AND FIELD GROUND, FOOTBALL PITCHES AND A SPECTATOR STAND ACCOMMODATING 2 500 PEOPLE WOULD BE BUILT NEAR TIN PING ESTATE IN SHEUNG SHUI.

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WORK WOULD START BY 1988/89 AND THE COMPLEX, WHEN COMPLETED WOULD BE BENEFICIAL TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF SPORTS IN THE DISTRICT, HE ADDED.

TODAY'S EVENT, HELD AT THE SPORTS GROUND OF THE FUNG KAI SECONDARY SCHOOL, WAS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE NORTH DISTRICT SPORTS ASSOCIATION AND THE REGIONAL COUNCIL.

OTHER OFFICIATING GUESTS INCLUDED THE CHAIRMAN OF THE NORTH DISTRICT SPORTS ASSOCIATION, MR CHONG KAM-NING- REGIONAL COUNCILLOR, MR CHEUNG KUEN AND THE DISTRICT LEISURE MANAGER, NORTH, MRS AMY WONG.

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BRITISH AWARDS FOR HK LANDSCAPERS
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A CONTRACTOR AND A DESIGNER, RESPONSIBLE FOR LANDSCAPING OVER 50 000 SQUARE METRES OF TAI PO NEW TOWN, HAVE BEEN PRESENTED WITH AWARDS BY THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION OF LANDSCAPE INDUSTRIES AND A LEADING BRITISH COMPANY, FISON.

THE CONTRACTOR IS ORIENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, WHO WON A PRINCIPAL AWARD, AND THE DESIGNER URBIS LIMITED, WHO RECEIVED AN AWARD IN THE INTERNATIONAL CATEGORY FOR LANDSCAPING OVERSEAS.

THE WORK UNDER A CONTRACT AWARDED BY THE TERRITORY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT INCLUDED LANDSCAPING ROADS, PAVED RECREATION AREAS, SITTING AREAS AND WALKWAYS.

USED IN THE PROJECT WERE 2 200 HEAVY STANDARD TREES, 72 000 SHRUBS, INCLUDING MANY FLOWERING SPECIES, 20 000 GROUND COVERS AND FLOWERING CLIMBERS UNDER ARBOURS.

THE PROJECT WAS CARRIED OUT AT TAI WO AND NAM WAN ROADS AND THE LAM TSUEN RIVERSIDE WALKWAYS.

IT HAS BEEN DESCRIBED AS ONE OF THE MOST SUCCESSFUL LANDSCAPE PROJECTS IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR IN HONG KONG.

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME AWARDS HAVE BEEN MADE FOR A SCHEME BASED ON PHOTOGRAPHIC EVIDENCE ALONE, BUT THE JUDGES FELT THAT THE QUALITY OF WORKMANSHIP AND THE IMPRESSIVE NATURE OF THE OVERALL ACHIEVEMENT WERE WORTHY OF APPRAISAL.

/THE AWARD-WINNING

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THE AWARD-WINNING PROJECT IS PART OF A CONTINUING PROGRAMME OF EXTENSIVE AMENITY LANDSCAPING BEING CARRIED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

THE CONTRACTING COMPANY'S DILIGENCE WENT WAY BEYOND THE INITIAL PLANNING. IT HAD TO CONTEND WITH EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS, INCLUDING A TYPHOON, AS WELL AS THEFTS AND VANDALISM.

THE FINISHED LANDSCAPE HAS MADE A CONSIDERABLE IMPACT AND IS BEING WIDELY USED BY LOCAL RESIDENTS FOR PASSIVE RECREATION.

A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID: +THE PROJECT WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN THE NEW TERRITORIES FOR MANY YEARS TO COME.+

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ORGANISATIONS URGED TO SUPPORT CIVIC EDUCATION
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THE TAI PO DISTRICT OFFICER, MR JOHN BURRETT, TODAY (SUNDAY) URGED DISTRICT ORGANISATIONS TO SUPPORT THE CIVIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE TAI PO DISTRICT CIVIC EDUCATION DAY AT THE TAI PO PLAYGROUND, HE SAID PARTICIPATION OF DISTRICT ORGANISATIONS WAS REQUIRED FOR THE SUCCESS OF THE CAMPAIGN.

MR BURRETT SAID HE WAS GLAD THAT MANY SCHOOL TEACHERS AND STUDENTS PARTICIPATED IN THE CIVIC EDUCATION DAY.

HE HOPED THAT STUDENTS COULD HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF CIVIC EDUCATION BY TAKING PART IN TODAY'S PROGRAMMES.

THE PROGRAMMES INCLUDED STALL GAMES RELATING TO CIVIC EDUCATION, AN EXHIBITION ON CIVIC EDUCATION, CHINESE MARTIAL ARTS, GYMNASTIC AND DANCING PERFORMANCES.

THE CIVIC EDUCATION DAY WAS ORGANISED BY THE TAI PO DISTRICT SCHOOL LIAISON COMMITTEE AND SPONSORED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD.

ALSO OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WERE CHAIRMAN OF THE TAI PO RURAL COMMITTEE, MR HO YUNG-SANG, AND CHAIRMAN OF THE SAI KUNG NORTH RURAL COMMITTEE, MR LAM PAK-PING.

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COURTESY CAN HELP PREVENT ROAD ACCIDENTS

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MOST ROAD ACCIDENTS COULD BE AVOIDED IF PEOPLE WERE MORE CAREFUL AND POLITE, THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR BOWEN LEUNG, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

HE SAID DRIVERS AND PEDESTRIANS SHOULD UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANT ROLE EACH HAD TO PLAY IN ROAD SAFETY.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT ROAD SAFETY DAY IN VICTORIA PARK, MR LEUNG SAID THE NUMBER OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS CAUSED BY NEGLIGENCE ON THE PART OF PEDESTRIANS IN THE FIRST NINE MONTHS OF THIS YEAR TOTALLED 2 727.

THIS WAS AN INCREASE OF 238 OVER THE FIGURE FOR THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD LAST YEAR.

MANY ACCIDENTS COULD BE AVOIDED IF PEDESTRIANS OBSERVED TRAFFIC RULES, HE SAID.

MR LEUNG SAID TRAFFIC CONDITIONS IN EASTERN HAD IMPROVED GREATLY SINCE THE OPENING OF THE ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR AND THE MTR ISLAND LINE. THESE EFFECTIVELY SEPARATED THE MOVEMENT OF VEHICLES AND PEDESTRIANS.

IN ADDITION, A NUMBER OF PEDESTRIAN FOOTBRIDGES HAD BEEN BUILT AT BUSY LOCATIONS TO FACILITATE TRAFFIC MOVEMENT.

MR LEUNG URGED RESIDENTS TO USE THESE FOOTBRIDGES AS THEY ENABLED THEM TO CROSS ROADS IN SAFETY.

OTHER OFFICIATING GUESTS AT THE OPENING CEREMONY INCLUDED THE POLICE DEPUTY DIRECTOR (TRAFFIC), MR JOHN CLEMENCE; POLICE DISTRICT COMMANDER, MR G.W. ROPER; CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT BOARD, MR SHUM CHOI-SANG; POLICE SENIOR STAFF OFFICER (TRAFFIC), MR LAM KIN; PRESIDENT OF THE ROAD SAFETY ASSOCIATION; MR SHE KWONG-WAH; CHAIRMAN OF THE TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE, MR YUE HUI-KWONG; AND CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT'S ROAD SAFETY WORKING GROUP, MR CHENG WUI-YAU.

THE ROAD SAFETY DAY IS AMONG THE MAIN ACTIVITIES IN A MONTH-LONG CAMPAIGN ORGANISED BY THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD, THE DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE ROAD SAFETY ASSOCIATION.

A MINIATURE ROAD SAFETY TOWN HAS BEEN LAID OUT FOR THE ROAD SAFETY DAY, AND A ROAD SAFETY BUS IS ON DISPLAY. THE PROGRAMME INCLUDES A VARIETY SHOW, ACROBATIC PERFORMANCE, EXHIBITIONS, GAMES STALLS, AND A COLOURING CONTEST.

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SAFE USE OF WELDING GEAR STRESSED
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THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT HAS ADVISED WELDING OPERATORS TO ENSURE THAT OXY-ACETYLENE EQUIPMENT IS PROPERLY FITTED AND TO TAKE CARE TO SEE THE EQUIPMENT IS USED SAFELY.

A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN EMPHASISED THAT THE EQUIPMENT SHOULD BE FITTED WITH A FLASHBACK ARRESTOR AT THE PRESSURE REGULATOR OUTLET TO PROTECT AGAINST BACKFIRE.

IN ADDITION, A HOSE CHECK VALVE SHOULD BE INSTALLED IN THE CUTTING TORCH OUTLET TO PREVENT BACK-FEEDING OF GAS.

+FLASHBACK IS THE MOST COMMON CAUSE OF ACCIDENTS INVOLVING CUTTING AND WELDING EQUIPMENT,+ THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT.

+RESULTS OF INVESTIGATIONS BY THE PRESSURE EQUIPMENT DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT INTO A NUMBER OF GAS CYLINDER EXPLOSIONS ON CONSTRUCTION SITES SHOWED THAT THE ACCIDENTS RESULTED MAINLY FROM FLAME FLASHING BACK FROM THE GAS CUTTING TORCHES WHICH WERE NOT FITTED WITH ANY SAFETY DEVICES,+ HE SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN ADVISED OPERATORS TO PURGE THE HOSE BEFORE LIGHTING THE TORCH AS THE HOSE MIGHT CONTAIN FLAMMABLE GAS. ON NO ACCOUNT SHOULD THEY IGNITE THE TORCH BEFORE OPENING THE ACETYLENE VALVE.

OPERATORS SHOULD MADE SURE HOSES WERE PLACED IN A SAFE POSITION, AND THE CYLINDER ITSELF SHOULD BE PROPERLY POSITIONED.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE HONG KONG OXYGEN AND ACETYLENE COMPANY, RECENTLY ORGANISED A SEMINAR ON SAFE OPERATION OF GAS WELDING EQUIPMENT.

EXPERTS FROM THE COMPANY AND OFFICERS FROM THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT'S PRESSURE EQUIPMENT DIVISION AND FACTORY INSPECTORATE ATTENDED.

+AMONG THE TOPICS DISCUSSED WERE THE PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES TO BE TAKEN BY WELDERS AND MODERN SAFETY MECHANISMS AND DEVICES FITTED IN THE LATEST EQUIPMENT,+ HE SAID.

+IT WAS GENERALLY FELT THAT OWNERS SHOULD BE URGED TO BUY GOOD QUALITY EQUIPMENT MADE BY REPUTABLE MANUFACTURERS.+

BUYING CHEAP, SUB-STANDARD EQUIPMENT MIGHT SAVE A FEW DOLLARS, BUT THE END RESULT COULD BE A SERIOUS ACCIDENT.

ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE AT THE PRESSURE EQUIPMENT DIVISION IN HARBOUR BUILDING OR BY CALLING 5-8524189.

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THOUSANDS HAVE FUN AT CARNIVAL
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THOUSANDS OF RESIDENTS HAD AN AFTERNOON OF FUN, GAMES AND ENTERTAINMENT AT A CARNIVAL AT THE ABERDEEN PROMENADE REST GARDEN TODAY (SUNDAY).

THE CARNIVAL WAS ONE OF THE MAJOR EVENTS ORGANISED AS PART OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT FESTIVAL, AND ITS PROGRAMMES WERE DESIGNED TO SUIT THE INTERESTS OF PEOPLE OF ALL AGES.

TWO EXHIBITIONS ON SOUTHERN DISTRICT'S HISTORY AND DEVELOPMENT AND ON THE FISHING INDUSTRY WERE HELD AT THE SAME TIME TO ENRICH RESIDENTS' KNOWLEDGE OF THE DISTRICT. MANY PEOPLE ALSO LOOKED OVER A MODERN FISHING VESSEL MOORED ALONGSIDE THE PROMENADE.

OPENING THE CARNIVAL, CHAIRMAN OF THE CARNIVAL WORKING GROUP, MR LAI CHI-TONG, SAID +SOUTHERN DISTRICT---YESTERDAY, TODAY AND TOMORROW+ HAD BEEN CHOSEN AS THE CARNIVAL THEME IN SUPPORT OF THE DISTRICT'S CIVIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN.

+WE HOPE THAT BY GETTING TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE DISTRICT'S DEVELOPMENTS, RESIDENTS WILL HAVE A STRONGER SENSE OF BELONGING AND WILL WORK MORE READILY TO MAKE SOUTHERN DISTRICT A BETTER PLACE TO LIVE IN,+ HE SAID.

ANOTHER ATTRACTION OF THE CARNIVAL WAS FORMED BY 18 GAME STALLS ON THE THEME OF CIVIC EDUCATION.

THE CARNIVAL WAS OPENED AFTER THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR SIMON LORD, PERFORMED AN EYE-DOTTING CEREMONY FOR A LION DANCE.

OTHER OFFICIATING GUESTS INCLUDED DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR JASPER LAM; FESTIVAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, MRS SO CHOW YIM-PING, DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS, MR PAUL YOUNG, MR KEUNG YIN-MAN AND MISS YEUNG CHUI-CHUN; AND URBAN COUNCILLOR, MR WALTER SULKE.

A PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY FOR WINNERS OF THE DISTRICT'S +CITIZENS OF THE MONTH+ AWARD WAS HELD DURING THE CARNIVAL. TROPHIES WERE PRESENTED TO 12 WINNERS OF THE SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER AWARDS.

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RUNNERS RACE AROUND WONG TAI SIN
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THE FIRST ROUND-THE-DISTRICT RACE IN WONG TAI SIN WAS HELD TODAY (SUNDAY) AS PART OF THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT FESTIVAL.

ABOUT 500 PEOPLE RAN THROUGH THE MAJOR ROADS IN THE DISTRICT, CHEERED ON BY SPECTATORS.

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WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR NICHOLAS YEK, AND SOME DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS STARTED THE RACE AT THE KAI TAK EAST PLAYGROUND, AND JOINED THE RUNNERS FOR PART OF THE WAY.

THE FASTEST RUNNER, MR WONG CHI-SAM, TOOK ONLY 29 MINUTES AND 42 SECONDS TO FINISH THE NINE KILOMETRE RACE.

THE WINNER OF THE WOMEN'S EVENT WAS MISS CHAN SAU-PING WHO COMPLETED THE RACE IN 38 MINUTES AND 59 SECONDS.

MR CHUN SIU-KEI WON THE +OVER 40+ EVENT AND FINISHED THE RACE IN 35 MINUTES AND 7 SECONDS.

ANOTHER DISTRICT FESTIVAL ACTIVITY WAS HELD AT THE MORSE PARK OPEN-AIR THEATRE TODAY WHEN ABOUT 1 000 CHILDREN GATHERED FOR A DRAWING COMPETITION. THEY DREW THEIR MOST FAVOURITE PERSON AND THEIR IDEAL LIVING ENVIRONMENT.

IN THE AFTERNOON, THERE WAS A PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION FINAL. PARTICIPANTS SPOKE ON THEIR VIEWS ON PARTICIPATION IN COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES, THE WAYS TO BUILD A GOOD WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT, AND THEIR INTERPERSONAL RELATIONSHIP IN THE COMMUNITY.

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ARTS CLUBHOUSE OPENS IN EASTERN
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THE EASTERN DISTRICT ARTS COUNCIL WILL ORGANISE MORE EVENTS AND CLASSES TO PROMOTE ARTS AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES IN THE DISTRICT WITH THE OPENING OF ITS NEW CLUBHOUSE AT BLOCK 11 OF CHAI WAN ESTATE TODAY (SUNDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY, EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR BOWEN LEUNG, SAID SINCE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ARTS COUNCIL IN 1984 IT HAD CONTRIBUTED MUCH IN ORGANISING CULTURAL ACTIVITIES.

HE NOTED THAT THE COUNCIL HAD MADE PARTICULAR EFFORTS IN ASSISTING CHILDREN TO DEVELOP AN INTEREST IN ARTS AND CULTURE. IT HAD HELPED TO ORGANISE THE DISTRICT'S CHILDREN CHOIR, A DANCE GROUP, AND CLASSES IN DRAWING, HANDICRAFTS AND COMPUTERS.

THE CLUBHOUSE CONSISTS OF VARIOUS CLASSROOMS INCLUDING A DANCE HALL AND A COMPUTER ROOM.

/MORE CLASSES

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MORE CLASSES IN MUSIC, DANCING AND OTHER INTEREST CATEGORIES WOULD BE ORGANISED IN THE NEW PREMISES AND IT WAS HOPED THAT NEARBY RESIDENTS, PARTICULARLY THOSE IN CHAI WAN, COULD MAKE FULL USE OF THE NEW FACILITIES, MR LEUNG SAID.

OTHER OFFICIATING GUESTS AT TODAY'S CEREMONY INCLUDED THE CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT BOARD, MR SHUM CHOI-SANG; URBAN COUNCILLOR, MR MAN SAI-CHEONG; CHAIRMAN OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT ARTS COUNCIL, MISS CHRISTINA TING; POLICE DISTRICT COMMANDER, MR G.W. ROPER; SENIOR HOUSING MANAGER, MR YEUNG KWING-CHIU; AND CULTURE AND ENTERTAINMENT MANAGER OF THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT, MR DANIEL CHUNG.

BEFORE THE OPENING CEREMONY, A 'DISTRICT ARTS GALA' WAS HELD AT THE ADJACENT PLAYGROUND, FEATURING PERFORMANCES BY THE EASTERN DISTRICT CHILDREN CHOIR, AND FOLK DANCE GROUPS. THERE WAS ALSO A PHOTOGRAPHIC AND ARTS AND CRAFTS DISPLAY.

THE GALA WAS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE EASTERN DISTRICT ARTS COUNCIL AND THE URBAN COUNCIL AND SPONSORED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD.

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SAI KUNG TO BEGIN CIVIC EDUCATION DRIVE
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THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT CIVIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN WILL BE LAUNCHED THIS FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 28) AT THE SAI KUNG TOWN HALL.

THE CAMPAIGN AIMS AT ENHANCING A SENSE OF BELONGING AMONG DISTRICT RESIDENTS, IN PARTICULAR THE YOUNGER GENERATION, AND TO AROUSE THEIR AWARENESS OF CIVIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES.

IT WILL ALSO HELP RESIDENTS TO UNDERSTAND MORE ABOUT DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION AND REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE SAI KUNG DISTRICT OFFICER, MR KEVIN HO; DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR WILLIAM WAN; AND CHAIRMAN OF THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT CIVIC EDUCATION PROMOTION COMMITTEE, MRS ANITA CHAN.

A BLOOD DONATION COMPETITION WILL BE HELD AFTER THE OPENING CEREMONY.

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ORGANISED BY THE SAI KUNG CIVIC EDUCATION PROMOTION COMMITTEE, THE CAMPAIGN WILL CONTINUE UNTIL MAY NEXT YEAR.

THE ESTIMATED COST FOR THE CAMPAIGN IS ABOUT \$70 000 WHICH IS SPONSORED BY THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE DISTRICT BOARD.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING OF THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT CIVIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN AND THE BLOOD DONATION COMPETITION TO BE HELD ON FRIDAY AT 2 PM AT SAI KUNG TOWN HALL.

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DB TO DISCUSS BUS ACCIDENT
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THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD WILL DISCUSS THE RECENT FATAL BUS ACCIDENT IN SHEK PAI TAU ROAD AT ITS MEETING ON TUESDAY (NOVEMBER 25).

MEMBERS WILL ASK WHETHER GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS CONCERNED ARE CARRYING OUT IMPROVEMENT MEASURES TO ENSURE PUBLIC SAFETY IN FUTURE.

THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD AND THE DISTRICT OFFICE SET UP A FUND TO HELP VICTIMS AND BEREAVED FAMILIES, AND SO FAR PUBLIC DONATIONS AMOUNTING TO \$500 000 HAVE BEEN RECEIVED.

AT THE MEETING, CHINA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY LIMITED WILL SUBMIT A REPORT ON THE MONITORING OF PARTICULATES IN THE VICINITY OF A PULVERISED FUEL ASH (PFA) LAGOON IN THE UNITED KINGDOM, TO ANSWER MEMBERS' CONCERN AT THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PFA LAGOON IN TSANG TSUI, TUEN MUN.

MEMBERS WILL

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MEMBERS WILL ALSO STUDY THE PROBLEM OF ACCUMULATION OF PFA
IN SIU LANG SHUI, AND AT A RECLAMATION SITE NEAR TAI HING ESTATE.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD MEETING
TO BEGIN AT 9.30 AM ON TUESDAY IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE TUEN
MUN DISTRICT BOARD SECRETARIAT, ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF THE TUEN MUN
GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, NO. 1, TUEN HI ROAD, TUEN MUN.

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CLOSURE TO CONTINUE
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ON TAI STREET BETWEEN CONNAUGHT ROAD WEST AND NEW MARKET
STREET, WHICH HAS BEEN CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FOR WATER MAINS DIVERSION
SINCE OCTOBER 14, WILL REMAIN CLOSED FOR ANOTHER TWO MONTHS.

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