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DYNAMIC PEOPLE BEHIND HK'S SUCCESS, GOVERNOR SAYS

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HONG KONG WAS ONE OF THE MOST DYNAMIC COMMUNITIES IN THE WORLD, AND OWED MUCH OF ITS SUCCESS TO THE RESILIENCE, INGENUITY AND CAPACITY FOR HARD WORK OF ITS PEOPLE, THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, SAID TODAY.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE 11TH ASIAN PACIFIC DENTAL CONGRESS AT THE PALACE THEATRE, SIR EDWARD SAID THAT THE ACUMEN OF HONG KONG ENTREPRENEURS AND THE SKILLS AND APPLICATION OF THE WORK FORCE HAD BROUGHT HONG KONG PROSPERITY.

+THIS IN TURN HAS MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS TO BE MADE IN HOUSING A RAPIDLY RISING POPULATION, IN EXPANDING MEDICAL, DENTAL AND SOCIAL SERVICES, IN PROVIDING AN IMPRESSIVE TRANSPORT NETWORK, BETTER RECREATIONAL AND CULTURAL FACILITIES AS WELL AS IN THE SPREAD OF EDUCATION,+ HE SAID.

+HONG KONG IS NOW POISED TO MOVE AHEAD ONCE AGAIN,+ HE SAID.

THE RECENTLY INITIALLED DRAFT AGREEMENT ON HONG KONG'S FUTURE HAD PROVIDED A NEW BASIS ON WHICH HONG KONG COULD BUILD ITS FUTURE, HE SAID.

+IT ESTABLISHES A FRAMEWORK FOR THE PRESERVATION OF ALL THE ESSENTIAL FEATURES OF THE SYSTEMS AND POLICIES WHICH HAVE MADE HONG KONG WHAT IT IS TODAY,+ THE GOVERNOR SAID.

SPEAKING OF HONG KONG'S DENTAL ACHIEVEMENTS, SIR EDWARD HIGHLIGHTED TWO MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS IN RECENT YEARS.

A SCHOOL DENTAL CARE SERVICE HAD BEEN LAUNCHED IN 1980 TO PROVIDE REGULAR DENTAL EXAMINATION AND SIMPLE DENTAL TREATMENT FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN, HE SAID.

THE SERVICE HAD BEEN WELL RECEIVED BY PARENTS AND CHILDREN ALIKE. OVER 200 000 PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN HAD BEEN ENROLLED AND WERE ENJOYING A BETTER STANDARD OF ORAL HEALTH THAN BEFORE, AND MORE MULTI-SURGERY SCHOOL DENTAL CLINICS WERE BEING PLANNED TO COVER 500 000 PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN.

ANOTHER IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENT WAS THE OPENING IN 1981 OF THE PRINCE PHILIP DENTAL HOSPITAL, TO PROVIDE PRACTICAL FACILITIES FOR THE FACULTY OF DENTISTRY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG.

WHEN THE FIRST BATCH OF OUR OWN DENTAL GRADUATES JOIN THE DENTAL PROFESSION EARLY NEXT YEAR, HONG KONG WILL NO LONGER HAVE TO RELY ON DENTISTS TRAINED OVERSEAS, SIR EDWARD SAID.

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HK PONDER'S ACTION ON U.S. SWEATER HOLD-UPS
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THE DIRECTOR OF TRADE, MR HAMISH MACLEOD, SAID TODAY (MONDAY) THAT HONG KONG WAS URGENTLY CONSIDERING TAKING TO THE TEXTILES SURVEILLANCE BODY (TSB) IN GENEVA THE THREE CASES WHERE U.S. CUSTOMS HAD RECENTLY HELD UP SHIPMENTS OF HONG KONG-MADE SWEATERS.

A DECISION ON THIS WAS LIKELY THIS WEEK, HE SAID.

THE SHIPMENTS HAD BEEN REFUSED ENTRY UNDER THE NEW COUNTRY OF ORIGIN RULES, ALTHOUGH PROPERLY LICENSED UNDER THE BILATERAL AGREEMENT, HE TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE.

MR MACLEOD SAID THAT HONG KONG WAS ALSO CONSIDERING GOING TO THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE (GATT) IN VIEW OF THE NULLIFICATION AND IMPAIRMENT TO HONG KONG'S TRADE CAUSED BY THE NEW RULES, BUT THIS WAS A LONGER TERM MEASURE.

THESE STEPS WERE BEING CONSIDERED BECAUSE HONG KONG'S FUNDAMENTAL OBJECTION TO THE REGULATIONS WAS UNRESOLVED AND IT WOULD CONTINUE TO PRESS FOR THE RULES TO BE WITHDRAWN.

DURING TWO DAYS OF CONSULTATIONS IN WASHINGTON LAST WEEK THE POSSIBILITY OF FURTHER BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS WAS LEFT OPEN, TO BE CONSIDERED FURTHER IN THE LIGHT OF THE U.S. REVIEW OF THE REGULATIONS AND OTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

THIS EMERGED FOLLOWING AMERICAN ASSURANCES THAT HONG KONG'S VIEWS WOULD BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT BY THE U.S. CUSTOMS' +TECHNICAL REVIEW+ AND IN AN ASSOCIATED HIGH LEVEL +POLICY REVIEW+.

MR MACLEOD POINTED OUT TO THE AMERICAN DELEGATION THAT HONG KONG'S CURRENT REGISTRATION AND AUTHORISATION SYSTEMS, LICENSING, LEGISLATION AND ENFORCEMENT RESOURCES WERE GEARED TO IMPLEMENT UNIVERSALLY ACCEPTED PRINCIPLES OF ORIGIN WHICH HAD BEEN NULLIFIED UNILATERALLY IN RESPECT OF TEXTILE EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES BY THE NEW REGULATIONS, AND AGAIN FORMALLY REQUESTED THAT THE U.S. RESCIND THEM.

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VALUE OF JOINT EFFORT STRESSED
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THE IMPORTANCE OF CLOSE CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT, LOCAL ORGANISATIONS, SCHOOLS AND PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS IN THE PROMOTION OF RECREATION AND CULTURE WAS STRESSED TODAY BY THE SECRETARY FOR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION, MR DAVID AKERS-JONES.

+THE GOVERNMENT CAN PROVIDE THE ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE, THE GENERAL POLICIES AND THE MAJOR FACILITIES, BUT DISTRICT SPORTS AND CULTURAL ASSOCIATIONS, SCHOOLS AND PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS, ALL PLAY A VITAL ROLE IN THE PROMOTION OF RECREATION AND CULTURE IN OUR SOCIETY,+ HE SAID.

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HE WAS SPEAKING AT THE FOUNDATION STONE LAYING CEREMONY OF THE SHENG KUNG HUI TANG SHIU KIN SECONDARY SCHOOL SPORTS COMPLEX IN MORRISON HILL, WAN CHAI.

+COMPLETION OF THIS COMPLEX WILL ENABLE THE SCHOOL TO PROVIDE AN ALL-ROUND EDUCATION FOR STUDENTS, WHICH WILL EMPHASISE NOT ONLY ACADEMIC LEARNING BUT ALSO MORAL AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE STUDENTS' INDIVIDUAL PERSONALITIES,+ HE ADDED.

+THE BUILDING OF THIS COMPLEX IS SIGNIFICANT IN ANOTHER WAY BECAUSE IT DEMONSTRATES THE IMPORTANCE OF PRIVATE GENEROSITY AND PUBLIC EFFORT,+ HE SAID.

+PRIVATE GENEROSITY IN EXPANDING THE NUMBER OF FACILITIES AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC IS AS IMPORTANT AS THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES BY THE GOVERNMENT,+ MR AKERS-JONES SAID.

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SHA TIN ROAD OPENED
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SHA TIN ROAD, THE FIRST SECTION OF A TRUNK ROUTE THAT WILL EVENTUALLY LINK THE NEW TOWNS IN THE EASTERN PART OF THE NEW TERRITORIES, WAS OPENED TODAY BY UNOFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCILS, MR CHEN SHOU-LUM.

THE ROAD, WHICH TOOK THREE YEARS AND EIGHT MONTHS TO COMPLETE, STARTS FROM LION ROCK TUNNEL ROAD, SWEEPS ALONG THE SOUTH-EASTERN OUTSKIRTS OF SHA TIN AND BRIDGES SHING MUN RIVER BEFORE REACHING TAI PO ROAD - A DISTANCE OF 3.1 KILOMETRES.

THE NEW CARRIAGEWAY, PARTLY FOUR LANES AND PARTLY SIX LANES, WILL CARRY THROUGH TRAFFIC AWAY FROM THE TOWN CENTRE WHILE MAINTAINING ACCESS TO PRINCE OF WALES HOSPITAL, THE SHA TIN CITY ONE RESIDENTIAL COMPLEX AND ALSO THE RACECOURSE.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING, MR CHEN SAID SHA TIN ROAD REPRESENTED ANOTHER STRIDE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF ROAD COMMUNICATION IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

+THIS PIECE OF ROAD CONSTRUCTION IS CERTAINLY NOT JUST ANOTHER FIGURE IN LOCAL ROAD STATISTICS, BUT HAS GREATER SIGNIFICANCE IN PROVIDING AN INITIAL LINK FROM KOWLOON TO THE EMERGING SHA TIN-TAI PO COASTAL ROAD AND IMPROVING ACCESS TO THE NORTH,+ HE SAID.

+THIS ROAD ALSO HAS PROVISION FOR FUTURE CONNECTIONS WITH OTHER TRUNK ROADS TO TSUEN WAN, NORTHWEST KOWLOON AND MA ON SHAN.+

/MR CHEN

MR CHEN SAID THAT APART FROM CAUSING THE LEAST DISTURBANCE AND INCONVENIENCE TO THE PUBLIC AND COMMUTERS, GREAT CARE HAD BEEN TAKEN TO PRESERVE THE ARCHAEOLOGICALLY RENOWNED VILLAGE OF TSANG TAI UK, WHICH LAY DIRECTLY BELOW THE MAIN CARRIAGEWAY.

+LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD, THE TIMELY COMPLETION OF ROAD CAPACITY IMPROVEMENTS WILL BE AN INVALUABLE ASSET IN OUR PREPARATION FOR ANTICIPATED INCREASE IN DOMESTIC TRAFFIC AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF ROAD TRAFFIC LINKS ACROSS THE BORDER,+ HE SAID.

THE DIRECTOR OF NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT, MR BRYAN O'RORKE, SAID THAT SHA TIN ROAD HAD BEEN DESIGNED TO HIGH GEOMETRICAL STANDARDS TO ALLOW SAFE VEHICLE OPERATIONS AND HIGH-SPEED TRAVEL.

BUILT AT A COST OF ABOUT \$220 MILLION, THE NEW ROAD IS EXPECTED TO FACILITATE ROAD TRANSPORTATION BY PROVIDING A THROUGH ROUTE WHICH WOULD EVENTUALLY FORM THE MAIN ARTERIAL ROUTE FOR THE NEW TOWNS OF SHA TIN, TAI PO AND FANLING, HE SAID.

+THROUGH TRAFFIC IS WELL CATERED FOR, WHILE SHA TIN-BOUND TRAFFIC IS DISTRIBUTED TO THE APPROPRIATE JUNCTIONS FOR ENTRY INTO THE NEW TOWN. TRAFFIC ORIGINATING FROM SHA TIN CAN ALSO EASILY MERGE WITH THE MAIN TRAFFIC STREAM,+ MR O'RORKE SAID.

MR O'RORKE ADDED: +ALL THIS IS PART OF GOVERNMENT'S CONTINUING EFFORTS TO PROVIDE PHYSICAL INFRASTRUCTURE TO PERMIT THE PROSPEROUS DEVELOPMENT OF THE TERRITORY. APART FROM THE CONTINUING DEVELOPMENT OF THE NEW TOWNS AND THE TREMENDOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO THE TRANSPORT NETWORK IN THE NEW TERRITORIES ALREADY COMPLETED OR IN HAND, I CAN ADVISE YOU THAT GOVERNMENT WILL BE SEEKING APPROVAL OF FUNDS TO START ANOTHER MAJOR PROJECT NEXT YEAR - THE TWIN-TUBE ROAD TUNNEL BETWEEN SHA TIN AND TSUEN WAN AT A COST OF SOME \$750 MILLION.+

SHA TIN ROAD WILL BE OPENED TO TRAFFIC FROM 10 AM ON NOVEMBER 7 (WEDNESDAY).

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BOARD TO HEAR ABOUT REGIONAL COUNCIL
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TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS WILL BE BRIEFED ON THE SET UP OF THE NEW REGIONAL COUNCIL AT THEIR MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY) AFTERNOON.

THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR ADOLF HSU WILL EXPLAIN THE PROPOSED CONSTITUTION, ORGANISATION AND FUNCTION OF THE NEW COUNCIL SO THAT BOARD MEMBERS WILL HAVE A BETTER IDEA OF ITS FORMATION.

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AT THE MEETING, MEMBERS WILL ALSO BE BRIEFED ON THE PROPOSED ROUTE 5 - A NEW TRUNK ROAD BETWEEN SHA TIN AND TSUEN WAN - BY A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE HIGHWAYS OFFICE.

THERE WILL ALSO BE DISCUSSIONS ON THE COMMUNITY SERVICE AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE LIVING ENVIRONMENT IN SHEK LEI ESTATE; THE LICENSING OF BILLIARD SALOONS; THE CHOICE OF A DISTRICT FLOWER TO REPRESENT TSUEN WAN, KWAI CHUNG AND TSING YI; AND THE PROVISION OF RECREATIONAL FACILITIES ON TSING YI.

THE BOARD WILL ALSO STUDY THE FINAL REPORT PREPARED BY A WORKING GROUP COMPRISING UNOFFICIAL BOARD MEMBERS ON THE FUTURE OF HONG KONG.

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NEED TO STEP-UP TEXTILE TRAINING STRESSED
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A WELL-TRAINED WORKFORCE WAS ESSENTIAL FOR THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY TO RAISE PRODUCTIVITY AND IMPROVE PRODUCT QUALITY, ESPECIALLY AT TIMES OF TIGHTER QUOTA RESTRICTIONS, MR LEE FEI, CHAIRMAN OF THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY TRAINING BOARD OF THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL, SAID TODAY.

HE ALSO CALLED ON EMPLOYERS TO STEP UP THE TRAINING OF CRAFTSMEN, TECHNICIANS AND TECHNOLOGISTS.

RELEASING THE FINDINGS OF THE RECENTLY PUBLISHED MANPOWER SURVEY REPORT ON THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY, MR LEE SAID THE INDUSTRY WOULD REQUIRE AT LEAST 30 TECHNOLOGISTS, 150 TECHNICIANS AND 350 CRAFTSMEN ANNUALLY FOR THE NEXT FIVE YEARS.

THE SURVEY CONDUCTED IN SEPTEMBER 1983 BY THE TRAINING BOARD ALSO REVEALED THAT THE MANPOWER IN THE FINISHING BRANCH HAD GROWN SUBSTANTIALLY, ESPECIALLY AT THE TECHNICIAN AND CRAFTSMEN LEVELS, DUE TO THE INCREASE IN DEMAND FOR YARNS AND FABRICS BY LOCAL KNITTING AND GARMENT FACTORIES.

+SINCE THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY IS A MAJOR SUPPORT TO THE LOCAL CLOTHING INDUSTRY, THE TRAINING BOARD CONSIDERS THAT THE KNITTING BRANCH AND THE FINISHING BRANCH HAVE POTENTIAL TO GROW IN LINE WITH THE CLOTHING INDUSTRY,+ MR LEE SAID.

THE REMAINING THREE BRANCHES OF THE INDUSTRY - SPINNING, TEXTURISING AND WEAVING - WOULD UNDERGO A CONSOLIDATION PHASE. HOWEVER, WITH THE APPLICATION OF MORE SOPHISTICATED MACHINERY AND IMPROVED MANPOWER TRAINING, THE THREE BRANCHES WOULD BE ABLE TO RETAIN HIGH PRODUCTIVITY AND EFFICIENCY, MR LEE ADDED.

DESPITE THE GROWTH IN EMPLOYMENT OF THE FINISHING BRANCH, THE SURVEY RECORDED A SLIGHT DROP OF OVERALL MANPOWER OF THE WHOLE INDUSTRY TO 54 000 IN 1983 DOWN FROM 58 000 IN 1981.

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THE TRAINING BOARD BELIEVED THAT THE DECLINE WAS ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE GLOBAL ECONOMIC RECESSION IN THE EARLY 1980'S AND THE INCREASE IN ADOPTION BY THE LOCAL TEXTILE INDUSTRY OF AUTOMATIC MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT.

MR LEE ALSO NOTED THAT A TEXTILE INDUSTRY TRAINING CENTRE WAS BEING ESTABLISHED IN KWAI CHUNG TO PROVIDE PRE-EMPLOYMENT OFF-THE-JOB BASIC PRACTICAL TRAINING TO YOUNG PERSONS SO THAT THE INDUSTRY WOULD HAVE A STEADY SUPPLY OF WELL-TRAINED MANPOWER.

ABOUT 650 TRAINEES WOULD PASS THROUGH THE CENTRE ANNUALLY, THE SURVEY REPORT STATED.

THE SURVEY REPORT CONTAINS DETAILS OF EMPLOYMENT SITUATION AND MANPOWER REQUIREMENT FOR THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY AND IS NOW ON SALE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, AT \$19.50 A COPY.

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SIMPLER TRADE DECLARATIONS SOON
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THE IMPORT AND EXPORT DECLARATION PROCEDURE WITH THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DEPARTMENT WILL BE SIMPLIFIED FROM NOVEMBER 15 (THURSDAY).

ANNOUNCING THIS TODAY (MONDAY), A SPOKESMAN FOR THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DEPARTMENT SAID: +FROM THAT DATE ONWARD, IMPORTERS AND EXPORTERS WILL ONLY NEED TO SUBMIT TWO COPIES OF THE IMPORT AND EXPORT DECLARATIONS INSTEAD OF THREE.

+TWO COPIES OF THE DECLARATION WILL BE LODGED WITH THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DEPARTMENT, AND THE DUPLICATE COPY WILL BE RETURNED AFTER IMPRINTING THE DECLARATION NUMBER AND UPON RECEIPT OF THE DECLARATION CHARGES.+

THIS SIMPLIFIED PROCEDURE FOLLOWS THE INTRODUCTION OF NEW MICROFILMING EQUIPMENT IN THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE TRADE FACILITATION COUNCIL, TO MICROFILM IMPORT AND EXPORT DECLARATIONS.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID: +IT WILL REDUCE THE WORK OF IMPORTERS AND EXPORTERS IN PREPARING A TRIPPLICATE COPY, AND THE NUMBER IMPRINTED ON THE DUPLICATE COPY WILL FACILITATE REFERENCE BY PARTIES CONCERNED.+

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MP'S EXCHANGE VIEWS WITH URBAN COUNCILLORS
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THREE MEMBERS OF BRITISH PARLIAMENT CALLED ON THE URBAN COUNCIL THIS EVENING (MONDAY) TO EXCHANGE VIEWS WITH COUNCILLORS ON A WIDE RANGE OF SUBJECTS, INCLUDING THE FUTURE OF HONG KONG.

THEY WERE SIR HECTOR MONROE, MR HAL MILLER AND MR BOWEN WELLS, ALL FROM THE CONSERVATIVE PARTY.

UPON THEIR ARRIVAL, THEY WERE MET BY THE VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL, MR H.M.G. FORSGATE.

THE VISITORS WERE THEN BRIEFED ON THE FUNCTIONS OF THE COUNCIL AND THE MUNICIPAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES IT PROVIDES.

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WARNING ON FALSE STATEMENTS
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MAKING FALSE STATEMENT TO OBTAIN PUBLIC HOUSING IS AN OFFENCE CARRYING A MAXIMUM FINE OF \$20 000 AND SIX-MONTH IMPRISONMENT ON CONVICTION, A HOUSING AUTHORITY SPOKESMAN WARNED TODAY.

HE MADE THE WARNING FOLLOWING A RECENT CASE IN WHICH A MAN WAS FINED \$1 000 BY THE COURT FOR COMMITTING SUCH AN OFFENCE IN HIS APPLICATION FOR A PUBLIC HOUSING UNIT FOR HIS FAMILY.

+WHEN HIS APPLICATION MATURED, THE MAN DECLARED THAT HIS MONTHLY INCOME WAS \$3 000, AN AMOUNT BELOW THE INCOME LIMIT OF \$3 700 SET AT THE TIME FOR A FAMILY OF THREE.

+SINCE THEIR CLAIMS MET THE VARIOUS ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA, THE FAMILY WAS ALLOCATED A PUBLIC HOUSING FLAT.

+HOWEVER, IT WAS LATER FOUND THAT THE MAN WAS NOT WORKING WITH THE COMPANY AS HE HAD CLAIMED AND WAS, IN FACT, EARNING AN AVERAGE OF \$4 800 PER MONTH WHICH FAR EXCEEDED THE PRESCRIBED INCOME LIMIT.

+AS A RESULT, THE MAN WAS PROSECUTED, FINED AND HIS PUBLIC HOUSING FLAT RECOVERED BY THE AUTHORITY FOR RE-ALLOCATION TO ANOTHER FAMILY IN GENUINE NEED OF SUBSIDISED HOUSING,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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SPEED LIMIT SET AT 70 KPH
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SHA TIN ROAD BETWEEN LION ROCK TUNNEL ROAD AND SHA TIN WAI ROAD INCLUDING ITS SLIP ROADS SHALL BE RESTRICTED TO A SPEED LIMIT OF 70 KILOMETRES AN HOUR, FROM 10 AM ON WEDNESDAY (NOVEMBER 7).

FROM THE SAME DAY, THE SAME SECTION OF SHA TIN ROAD AND ITS SLIP ROADS WILL BE DESIGNATED A 24-HOUR RESTRICTED ZONE.

WITHIN THE RESTRICTED ZONE, DRIVERS OF ALL MOTOR VEHICLES EXCEPT THOSE WITH PERMITS ISSUED BY THE COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM PICKING UP OR SETTING DOWN PASSENGERS, LOADING OR UNLOADING GOODS.

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FESTIVAL TREAT FOR WONG TAI SIN RESIDENTS
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THE 2ND WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT FESTIVAL, FEATURING A WIDE RANGE OF RECREATIONAL AND SPORTS ACTIVITIES, WILL BE LAUNCHED ON SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 11).

AT A PRESS CONFERENCE TODAY (MONDAY), THE CHAIRMAN OF THE FESTIVAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR FUNG KWONG-CHUNG SAID THE MAIN THEME OF THE TWO-WEEK FESTIVAL THIS YEAR WILL BE ON +BUILDING A BETTER COMMUNITY TOGETHER+.

+WE HOPE TO ENCOURAGE RESIDENTS TO BE MORE INVOLVED IN RECREATION, SPORTS, CULTURE AND ART, AND TO PROMOTE LOCAL PARTICIPATION IN COMMUNITY AFFAIRS,+ MR FUNG SAID.

SPORTS ACTIVITIES WILL INCLUDE TABLE TENNIS, BASKETBALL, VOLLEY BALL, BADMINTON AND FOOTBALL COMPETITIONS. THERE WILL ALSO BE A CROSS-COUNTRY RACE AND A SPORTS CARNIVAL FOR CHILDREN.

FOR THE NOT-SO-ACTIVE, THERE WILL BE MODERN DANCES, VARIETY SHOWS, CANTONESE OPERAS, A PUPPET PERFORMANCE, A SPORTS DAY DEDICATED TO THE ELDERLY, A DRAWING COMPETITION FOR CHILDREN, AND A PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION ON VARIOUS CHINA TOWNS.

ON SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 11), A GALA WILL BE HELD IN MORSE PARK TO MARK THE FESTIVAL OPENING. SOME OF THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROGRAMME INCLUDE MARCHING BAND PARADES, DRAGON AND LION DANCES, A GYMNASTIC DISPLAY AND PERFORMANCES FEATURING WESTERN AND ORIENTAL DANCES.

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ANOTHER ATTRACTION WILL BE AN EXHIBITION SOCCER MATCH BETWEEN TWO FIRST DIVISION FOOTBALL CLUBS, SOUTH CHINA AND HAPPY VALLEY.

ADMISSION TICKETS, AND OTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE FESTIVAL MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE WONG TAI SIN OFFICE OF THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT AND THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT OFFICE AND SUB-OFFICES.

THE DISTRICT FESTIVAL IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT ARTS COUNCIL, THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT RECREATION AND SPORT COUNCIL, THE URBAN COUNCIL, THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT AND SPONSORED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD AND SIK SIK YUEN.

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MORE SPORTS BENEFITS FOR HANDICAPPED PLEDGED
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SPORTS AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES OFFERED AN EXCELLENT MEANS OF INTEGRATING MENTALLY HANDICAPPED PEOPLE INTO THE COMMUNITY, MR JOHN CHAMBERS, DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE SAID THIS (MONDAY) EVENING.

THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT WOULD CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT OF SERVICE TO PROVIDE SUCH ACTIVITIES FOR THESE PEOPLE, HE SAID.

THESE ACTIVITIES WOULD ENHANCE THEIR GENERAL DEVELOPMENT AND THE QUALITY OF THEIR LIFE, MR CHAMBERS ADDED.

MR CHAMBERS WAS SPEAKING AT THE CLOSING OF THE 1984 ASIA-PACIFIC SPECIAL OLYMPICS DIRECTORS' CONFERENCE AND TRAINING SCHOOL.

ABOUT 50 DELEGATES FROM 14 COUNTRIES ATTENDED THE CONFERENCE AND TRAINING SCHOOL, WHICH BEGAN ON NOVEMBER 1.

THE CONFERENCE AND TRAINING SCHOOL WAS ORGANISED BY THE HONG KONG SPORTS ASSOCIATION FOR THE MENTALLY HANDICAPPED AND THE HONG KONG SPECIAL OLYMPICS COMMITTEE. IT WAS SPONSORED BY THE SPECIAL OLYMPIC INTERNATIONAL AND WAS SUPPORTED BY A GRANT FROM THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT.

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BEACH KIOSK OFFERED BY TENDER
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TENDERS ARE BEING INVITED FOR THE OPERATION OF A LIGHT REFRESHMENT KIOSK AND THE HIRING OF BEACH TENTS AT THE HUNG SHING YEH BEACH ON LAMMA ISLAND.

HUNG SHING YEH BEACH IS A SCENIC HOLIDAY RESORT ON LAMMA ISLAND WHICH ATTRACTS LARGE NUMBERS OF PEOPLE DURING THE PEAK SWIMMING SEASON, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY.

TENDER FORMS FOR THE 35-MONTH CONTRACT STARTING FROM JANUARY 1985 ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT ISLANDS URBAN SERVICES OFFICE AT ROOMS 2101-2103, 21ST FLOOR, 141 DES VOEUX ROAD, CENTRAL, HONG KONG.

COMPLETED FORMS SHOULD BE PLACED IN TENDER BOX AT THE NTSD HEADQUARTERS ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF SWIRE AND MACLAINE HOUSE (AUSTIN CENTRE), 19-23 AUSTIN AVENUE, KOWLOON BEFORE 9 AM ON NOVEMBER 30 (FRIDAY).

FURTHER PARTICULARS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE ISLANDS URBAN SERVICES OFFICE ON TELEPHONE 5-452442.

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NO PARKING FOR FIVE WEEKS
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PARKING SPACES AT THE SECTION OF LUEN WO ROAD BETWEEN LUEN CHEONG STREET AND LUEN ON STREET WILL BE SUSPENDED FOR ABOUT FIVE WEEKS FROM WEDNESDAY (NOVEMBER 7) TO FACILITATE ROAD WORKS.

AND FROM 6 AM THE NEXT DAY (THURSDAY), PARKING SPACES AT LUEN HING STREET AND THE TEMPORARY TAXI STAND AT WO LUNG STREET WILL BE CANCELLED. AT THE SAME TIME THE EXISTING TAXI STAND IN LUEN HING STREET WILL BE EXTENDED NORTHWARD.

ALSO FROM THURSDAY, THE SECTION OF LUEN WO ROAD BETWEEN LUEN CHEONG STREET AND LUEN ON STREET WILL BE ROUTED ONE-WAY SOUTHBOUND.

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WATER FIGURES

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STORAGE IN HONG KONG'S RESERVOIRS AT 9 AM TODAY (MONDAY) STOOD AT 81.2 PER CENT OF CAPACITY OR 475.716 MILLION CUBIC METRES.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR THE RESERVOIRS CONTAINED 573.136 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF WATER, REPRESENTING 97.8 PER CENT OF CAPACITY.

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WATER LEAKAGE TESTS

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO SOME PREMISES IN SHAU KEI WAN AND TSIM SHA TSUI WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 11 PM ON THURSDAY (NOVEMBER 8) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY TO FACILITATE LEAKAGE TESTS.

IN SHAU KEI WAN, THE AFFECTED PREMISES ARE LOCATED AT SHAU KEI WAN ROAD IN BETWEEN SUN SHING STREET AND TAI ON STREET, INCLUDING TAI ON HOUSE.

IN TSIM SHA TSUI, THE AFFECTED AREA IS BOUNDED BY NATHAN ROAD, AUSTIN ROAD, CHATHAM ROAD, AUSTIN AVENUE AND HILLWOOD ROAD, INCLUDING THOSE PREMISES IN KIMBERLEY ROAD AND PINE TREE HILL ROAD.

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