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INTEREST IN DB ELECTIONS GROWS

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MORE THAN 270 CANDIDATES HAVE SO FAR REGISTERED TO STAND FOR THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS ON MARCH 7, THE DEPUTY REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR ALBERT LAM, SAID TODAY (WEDNESDAY).

THIS SHOWED THE PEOPLE'S INTEREST IN PUBLIC AFFAIRS, HE SAID IN WELCOMING 10 MEMBERS OF THE ALL-CHINA STUDENTS' FEDERATION WHO ATTENDED THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD MEETING THIS AFTERNOON.

MR LAM SAID THAT THERE WERE ABOUT 1.5 MILLION REGISTERED VOTERS, AND NEW DISTRICT BOARDS WITH A TENURE OF THREE YEARS WOULD EMERGE AFTER THE MARCH ELECTIONS.

THE NEW BOARDS WOULD COMPRISE ELECTED AND GOVERNMENT-APPOINTED MEMBERS ONLY.

+THE CHAIRMAN WILL BE ELECTED FROM AMONG ALL THE DB MEMBERS THEMSELVES.

+GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES WILL CONTINUE TO ATTEND MEETINGS AND GIVE FULL SUPPORT TO THE WORK OF DISTRICT BOARDS.

+THE WORK OF DISTRICT BOARDS SERVES AS AN IMPORTANT LINK IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF HONG KONG'S POLITICAL STRUCTURE AND SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT, AND THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT DISTRICT BOARDS HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO MAINTAIN THE PROSPERITY AND STABILITY OF HONG KONG,+ HE SAID.

MR LAM SAID THAT WITH THE EXPERIENCE GAINED IN DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION IN RECENT YEARS, THE GOVERNMENT HAD RECENTLY FORMULATED PLANS TO DEVELOP FURTHER THE SYSTEM OF REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT, TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE TIMES.

+ONE OF THE IMPORTANT FEATURES OF THE SYSTEM IS THE ADDITION OF ELECTED MEMBERS TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. THIS IS A BIG STEP FORWARD IN PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS,+ HE SAID.

MR LAM ALSO SPOKE ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION, AND THE WORK OF DISTRICT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AND DISTRICT BOARD.

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COURSES TO HELP TEACHERS QUALIFY
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PART-TIME IN-SERVICE TRAINING COURSES HAVE BEEN ORGANISED BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT TO HELP PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS ATTAIN PROFESSIONAL TEACHING QUALIFICATIONS.

THE COURSES WILL START IN SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR FOR TEACHERS EMPLOYED IN AIDED OR PRIVATE SCHOOLS WHO, ALTHOUGH ACADEMICALLY QUALIFIED, DO NOT POSSESS THE PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS TO MAKE THEM ELIGIBLE FOR CLASSIFICATION AS +QUALIFIED TEACHERS+.

PART-TIME TEACHERS, SUPPLY TEACHERS, KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS AND EVENING CLASS TEACHERS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THE COURSES, AN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY.

THE COURSE FOR PRIMARY TEACHERS IS A THREE-YEAR PART-TIME EVENING COURSE, AND WILL BE CONDUCTED IN CHINESE.

AS FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS, THERE WILL BE TWO TYPES OF COURSES - A TWO-YEAR PART-TIME EVENING COURSE AND A THREE-YEAR PART-TIME EVENING COURSE. THERE WILL BE CHINESE AND ENGLISH SECTIONS FOR EACH COURSE.

NO TUITION FEES WILL BE CHARGED FOR THE COURSES. CONTENTS WILL INCLUDE LECTURES, TUTORIALS AND SUPERVISION OF TEACHING OVER THE PERIOD OF TRAINING. CERTIFICATES ACCORDING QUALIFIED TEACHERS STATUS WILL BE AWARDED TO THOSE WHO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE THE COURSE.

APPLICANTS SHOULD BE FULL-TIME PERMITTED OR REGISTERED TEACHERS IN AIDED OR PRIVATE SCHOOLS, OR GRADUATES OF HONG KONG BAPTIST COLLEGE FROM 1970 ONWARDS, HONG KONG SHUE YAN COLLEGE FROM 1976 ONWARDS, LINGNAN COLLEGE FROM 1979 ONWARDS, OR HOLDERS OF A HIGHER DIPLOMA AWARDED BY THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC.

FINAL YEAR STUDENTS OF THE THREE POST-SECONDARY COLLEGES ARE ALSO ELIGIBLE TO APPLY, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED OF APPLICANTS WISHING TO TAKE THREE-YEAR EVENING COURSES ARE FIVE SUBJECTS AT GRADE E OR ABOVE, INCLUDING THE LANGUAGE RELEVANT TO THE COURSE MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION, IN THE HONG KONG CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION EXAMINATION.

THOSE WHO WISH TO APPLY FOR THE TWO-YEAR EVENING COURSES MUST BE GRADUATES OF HONG KONG BAPTIST COLLEGE (FROM 1970), HONG KONG SHUE YAN COLLEGE (FROM 1976), OR LINGNAN COLLEGE (FROM 1979), OR FINAL YEAR STUDENTS IN ANY OF THESE COLLEGES. HOLDERS OF A HIGHER DIPLOMA AWARDED BY THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC ARE ALSO ELIGIBLE TO APPLY.

THE ELECTIVES ART AND DESIGN, MUSIC AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION ARE OFFERED ONLY ON THE THREE-YEAR COURSES, AND THE SPOKESMAN REMINDED APPLICANTS INTERESTED IN TAKING ANY OF THESE THREE SUBJECTS THAT THEY MUST APPLY FOR THE THREE-YEAR EVENING COURSES.

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THE PRIMARY COURSES WILL BE CONDUCTED AT GRANTHAM COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND SIR ROBERT BLACK COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, WHILE THE SECONDARY COURSES WILL BE CONDUCTED AT NORTHCOTE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION.

APPLICATION FORMS AND GUIDANCE NOTES FOR ALL COURSES ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AT LEE GARDENS, 3/F, HYSAN AVENUE, HONG KONG, AND ITS KOWLOON SUB-OFFICE AT KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 6/F, 405 NATHAN ROAD.

APPLICATION FORMS FOR THE SECONDARY COURSES ARE ALSO AVAILABLE AT NORTHCOTE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, AND THAT FOR THE PRIMARY COURSES AT GRANTHAM AND SIR ROBERT BLACK COLLEGES OF EDUCATION.

COMPLETED FORMS IN DUPLICATE SHOULD BE DELIVERED BY REGISTERED POST, IN PERSON, OR BY MESSENGER TO THE COLLEGES OF EDUCATION JOINT SELECTION BOARD C/O THE COLLEGE OFFERING THE COURSE FOR WHICH THE APPLICATION IS MADE BY 5 PM ON FEBRUARY 25, 1985.

TEACHERS SHOULD SUBMIT THEIR FORMS THROUGH HEADS OF SCHOOLS, AND FINAL YEAR STUDENTS OF THE THREE POST-SECONDARY COLLEGES THROUGH THEIR COLLEGE PRESIDENTS.

GRADUATES OF THE THREE COLLEGES AND HOLDERS OF A HIGHER DIPLOMA AWARDED BY THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC SHOULD SUBMIT THE FORMS IN PERSON OR BY REGISTERED POST, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

+APPLICATIONS WHICH ARE INCOMPLETED OR ARRIVE LATE WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED,+ HE ADDED.

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PLAN TO TACKLE FLOATING REFUSE ENDORSED

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THE ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE TODAY ENDORSED AN ACTION PLAN TO TACKLE THE PROBLEM OF FLOATING REFUSE IN THE HARBOUR.

THE PLAN, DRAWN UP BY A WORKING GROUP CHAIRED BY MR T.H. CHAU, DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE, AND COMPRISING GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES AND MR WALTER SULKE IN HIS PRIVATE CAPACITY, WILL REQUIRE THE SPENDING OF \$2 MILLION ON CAPITAL OUTLAY AND \$10.5 MILLION IN ANNUALLY RECURRENT EXPENDITURE.

THE WORKING GROUP FELT THAT A REFUSE-FREE HARBOUR WOULD BE MORE PLEASANT TO LOOK AT, AND ITS WATER WOULD NOT ENDANGER PUBLIC HEALTH AND CAUSE DAMAGE TO BOAT ENGINES. WITHOUT DRIFTING FLOATING REFUSE, THE BEACHES, WHICH WERE OFTEN AT THE RECEIVING END OF THE POLLUTION, WOULD ALSO BE CLEANER.

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THE WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED THAT NULLAHS AND STORMWATER OUTFALLS WERE A MAJOR SOURCE OF FLOATING REFUSE AND THAT OTHER SOURCES INCLUDE WATERFRONT ACTIVITIES, VESSELS, AND THE TYPHOON SHELTERS. THE ACTION PLAN THEREFORE INCLUDES PROPOSALS WHICH ARE DIRECTED TOWARDS PREVENTION OF LITTERING AT SOURCE AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE COLLECTION AND SCAVENGING SERVICES. IN VIEW OF THE ORIGIN OF THE FLOATING REFUSE AND THE CLOSE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN HARBOUR CLEANSING OPERATIONS AND LAND-BASED SERVICES, THE WORKING GROUP ALSO RECOMMENDED IN PRINCIPLE THAT EXISTING RESPONSIBILITY FOR MARINE REFUSE COLLECTION AND SCAVENGING SHOULD BE TRANSFERRED FROM MARINE DEPARTMENT TO CITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT, SUBJECT TO THE AGREEMENT OF THE URBAN COUNCIL.

AT THEIR REGULAR MEETING TODAY, EPCOM ALSO STUDIED IN DETAIL THE CURRENT EFFORTS OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT TO PROMOTE IN THE SCHOOL CURRICULA AND THROUGH EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF ECOLOGY AND A SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION. COURSES IN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION PROVIDED AT THE TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS WERE ALSO REVIEWED.

MEMBERS GAVE THEIR VIEWS ON HOW STUDENTS AND TEACHERS, WHEN PREPARING THEIR TEACHING MATERIAL, COULD BE MADE MORE AWARE OF ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS, AND DISCUSSED THE REQUIREMENTS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION AT THE TERTIARY LEVEL. THE SUBJECT WILL BE FURTHER DISCUSSED AT A LATER MEETING.

THEY ALSO RECEIVED A QUARTERLY REPORT ON POLLUTION LEVELS AT MONITORING STATIONS THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY AND WERE KEPT UP-TO-DATE ON THE GOVERNMENT'S PROPOSAL TO STRENGTHEN ITS ORGANISATION FOR POLLUTION CONTROL, WHICH THEY PREVIOUSLY ENDORSED.

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DECEMBER CLOUDIER THAN USUAL
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DECEMBER 1984 WAS CLOUDIER THAN USUAL, THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY REPORTED.

THE TOTAL DURATION OF BRIGHT SUNSHINE DURING THE MONTH AMOUNTED TO 111.9 HOURS, THE EIGHTH LOWEST ON RECORD FOR DECEMBER AND WAS 67.4 HOURS BELOW NORMAL.

THE MONTH'S 10.7 MM OF RAINFALL WAS 14.6 MM BELOW NORMAL.

THE WEATHER WAS FINE ON THE FIRST DAY OF DECEMBER UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF AN ANTICYCLONE CENTRED OVER CENTRAL CHINA. AS THE ANTICYCLONE MOVED EAST ACROSS THE EAST CHINA COAST, IT BROUGHT MOIST EASTERLY WINDS TO HONG KONG AND THE WEATHER BECAME CLOUDY WITH PATCHES OF LIGHT RAIN ON DECEMBER 2 AND 3.

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ON DECEMBER 4 THE CONTINENTAL ANTICYCLONE OVER CHINA BECAME ESTABLISHED AGAIN. FINE AND SUNNY WEATHER PREVAILED UP TO DECEMBER 16, APART FROM SOME CLOUDY PERIODS ON DECEMBER 12 AND 13 AND SOME LIGHT RAIN ON DECEMBER 14. THE TEMPERATURE ROSE TO A MAXIMUM OF 25.1 DEGREES CELSIUS ON DECEMBER 15, THE MONTH'S HIGHEST.

IT BECAME CLOUDY WITH LIGHT RAIN ON DECEMBER 17. A COLD FRONT PASSED HONG KONG EARLY ON DECEMBER 18, THE TEMPERATURE BEGAN TO FALL PROGRESSIVELY. CLOUDY WEATHER PERSISTED UP TO DECEMBER 23 AND THERE WAS A TRACE OF RAIN ON DECEMBER 19.

AFTER TWO SUNNY DAYS ON DECEMBER 24 AND 25, IT BECAME CLOUDY AGAIN BUT SLIGHTLY Milder ON DECEMBER 26 AND 27. CLOUDY CONDITIONS PERSISTED UP TO DECEMBER 31.

A SURGE OF THE WINTER MONSOON ARRIVED ON DECEMBER 28 AND THE TEMPERATURE DROPPED TO A MINIMUM OF 7.7 DEGREES CELSIUS, THE LOWEST OF THE MONTH, IN THE MORNING OF DECEMBER 29 WHEN STRONG NORTHERLY WINDS AFFECTED HONG KONG. ON THE SAME DAY, MINIMUM TEMPERATURES OF -2.0 DEGREES CELSIUS WERE RECORDED ON TAI MO SHAN AND 1.1 DEGREES CELSIUS AT TATE'S CAIRN, BUT NO REPORTS OF HOAR FROST WERE RECEIVED.

AN ESTIMATED 30 TONNES OF TILAPIA, A COMMON KIND OF FISH REARED IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, DIED IN THE COLD WEATHER. WINDS MODERATED ON DECEMBER 30 AND TEMPERATURES GRADUALLY ROSE ON THE LAST TWO DAYS OF THE MONTH.

TYPHOON +DOYLE+ WAS THE ONLY TROPICAL CYCLONE OVER THE WESTERN NORTH PACIFIC AND THE SOUTH CHINA SEA DURING THE MONTH. IT DEVELOPED NEAR YAP ON DECEMBER 5, RECURVED ABOUT 430 NAUTICAL MILES EAST OF LUZON ON DECEMBER 9 AND MOVED NORTH-EASTWARDS. IT DISSIPATED OVER THE PACIFIC SOUTH OF JAPAN TWO DAYS LATER.

DURING THE MONTH NO AIRCRAFT WERE DIVERTED FROM HONG KONG DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER. THE RED FIRE DANGER WARNING WAS IN EFFECT ON DECEMBER 1, 2 AND 23 TO 31 WHILST THE YELLOW FIRE DANGER WARNING WAS IN EFFECT ON DECEMBER 2, 3, 9, 16, 22, 23 AND 31.

SIGNALS HOISTED DURING THE MONTH WERE AS FOLLOWS:

<u>WEATHER SYSTEM</u>	<u>SIGNAL</u>	<u>DATE AND TIME OF HOISTING</u>	<u>DATE AND TIME OF LOWERING</u>
WINTER MONSOON	STRONG MONSOON	DECEMBER 21 5.30 PM	DECEMBER 22 8.00 AM
WINTER MONSOON	STRONG MONSOON	DECEMBER 23 5.10 AM	DECEMBER 23 9.05 AM
WINTER MONSOON	STRONG MONSOON	DECEMBER 28 11.15 PM	DECEMBER 29 10.35 AM

THE MONTH'S FIGURES AND DEPARTURES FROM NORMAL WERE:

SUNSHINE	111.9 HOURS= 67.4 HOURS BELOW NORMAL
RAINFALL	10.7 MM= 14.6 MM BELOW NORMAL
CLOUDINESS	68%= 16% MORE THAN NORMAL
RELATIVELY HUMIDITY	68%= 1% LOWER THAN NORMAL
MEAN MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE	19.0 DEGREES C= 1.8 DEGREES C BELOW NORMAL
MEAN TEMPERATURE	17.0 DEGREES C= 0.7 DEGREES C BELOW NORMAL
MEAN MINIMUM TEMPERATURE	15.3 DEGREES C= 0.1 DEGREES C ABOVE NORMAL
MEAN DEW POINT	10.8 DEGREES C= 0.6 DEGREES C BELOW NORMAL
TOTAL EVAPORATION	80.9 MM= 39.2 MM BELOW NORMAL

MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE OF 25.1 DEGREES C WAS RECORDED ON DECEMBER 15

MINIMUM TEMPERATURE OF 7.7 DEGREES C WAS RECORDED ON DECEMBER 29.

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HUT FOR MOTHER TERESA'S MISSION

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MOTHER TERESA TODAY (WEDNESDAY) SIGNED A +HANDOVER CERTIFICATE+ ACKNOWLEDGING POSSESSION OF A HUT INSIDE THE FORMER SHAM SHUI PO ARMY CAMP ON BEHALF OF THE +MISSIONARIES OF CHARITY+.

TENANCY OF HUT 291 WAS GRANTED BY THE LANDS DEPARTMENT TO THE +MISSIONARIES OF CHARITY+ AT A NOMINAL RENT OF \$1 PER ANNUM. THE PREMISES WILL BE USED TO RUN A NON-PROFIT MAKING CENTRE FOR DESTITUTES AND STREET-SLEEPERS AND FOR OTHER CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES.

HUT 291 IS A SINGLE-STOREY CONCRETE STRUCTURE, OCCUPYING ABOUT 480 SQUARE METRES.

+MISSIONARIES OF CHARITY+ WAS FOUNDED BY MOTHER TERESA IN CALCUTTA IN 1950. FOUR SISTERS AND THREE BROTHERS BEGAN MISSIONARY WORK IN HONG KONG IN JANUARY 1983 UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP OF HONG KONG.

SIGNING ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT WAS MR ALBERT SO, CHIEF ESTATE SURVEYOR/PROPERTY MANAGEMENT AND ESTATE MANAGEMENT, LANDS DEPARTMENT.

ALSO PRESENT WERE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT AND THE ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP OF HONG KONG.

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PRESS CONFERENCE

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A PRESS CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD AT 11.30 AM TOMORROW (THURSDAY) AT THE GIS PRESS CONFERENCE ROOM TO ANNOUNCE A REVIEW OF THE GOVERNMENT'S ORGANISATION FOR POLLUTION CONTROL.

IT WILL BE GIVEN BY THE SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE, MR JOHN CHAMBERS, THE DEPUTY SECRETARY, MR T.H. CHAU, AND THE COMMISSIONER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DR S.B. REED.

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MEET THE PRESS

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THE PRINCIPAL CONSULTANTS IN CHARGE OF THE FOUR OVERSEAS INDUSTRIAL PROMOTION OFFICES OF THE INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT WILL MEET THE PRESS TO TALK ABOUT THEIR INDUSTRIAL PROMOTION WORK DURING THE PAST YEAR AT 10 AM ON FRIDAY (JANUARY 18) IN THE DEPARTMENT'S CONFERENCE ROOM, 14TH FLOOR, OCEAN CENTRE, TSIM SHA TSUI, KOWLOON.

THEY ARE MR MICHAEL KIKUCHI, MR DONALD FLETCHER, MR JOHN WHITE AND MR ROBERT ASHWORTH.

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COUNTRY STUDY WALKS DRAW MANY

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GOOD RESPONSE HAS BEEN RECEIVED BY THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT'S +EDUCATIONAL WALKS IN COUNTRY PARKS+ SCHEME.

MORE THAN 100 SCHOOLS, AND ORGANISED GROUPS TOTALLING 4 000 PEOPLE, HAD BEEN MAKING THE ROUNDS SINCE LAST NOVEMBER 1, WHEN THE SCHEME BEGAN, UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF OFFICERS FROM THE DEPARTMENT.

DURING THE TWO-HOUR WALKS, VISITORS ARE SHOWN AND TAUGHT ABOUT TREES, PLANTATIONS AND THEIR PROTECTION, AND TREE NURSERY AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION, DEPENDING ON WHERE THEY GO.

THE WALKS ARE ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO BRING ABOUT A BETTER UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION OF THE COUNTRYSIDE ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION.

SENIOR CONSERVATION OFFICER, MR K.C. IU, SAID THAT WHEN THE SIX-MONTH SCHEME ENDS IN APRIL, MORE THAN 280 SCHOOLS AND GROUPS WILL HAVE TAKEN THE WALKS.

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ARTS FESTIVAL MAIL BOOKINGS START

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A WIDE VARIETY OF FIRST CLASS PERFORMING ARTS EVENTS WILL BE OFFERED IN THE 18-DAY FIFTH YUEN LONG ARTS FESTIVAL WHICH BEGINS LATE NEXT MONTH.

THERE WILL BE MUSIC, DRAMA, DANCE AND EXHIBITION IN THE DISTRICT BOARD-SPONSORED FESTIVAL, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE FESTIVAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE SAID TODAY.

HE URGED THE PUBLIC TO MAKE THEIR BOOKINGS THROUGH THE MAIL ORDER SYSTEM, WHICH WILL START TOMORROW (THURSDAY), SO AS NOT TO MISS THE SHOWS.

MAIL ORDER FORMS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE PUBLIC ENQUIRY COUNTERS OF THE DISTRICT OFFICE, YUEN LONG TOWN HALL AND THE YUEN LONG BRANCH OF THE STANDARD CHARTERED BANK.

THE FORMS ALSO PROVIDE FESTIVAL DETAILS.

THE ORDER FORMS SHOULD BE RETURNED BY MAIL, BEFORE JANUARY 31, TO THE ARTS FESTIVAL BOOKING OFFICE ON THE 13TH FLOOR OF THE YUEN LONG GOVERNMENT OFFICES, KIU LOK SQUARE, OR BY HAND TO THE COLLECTION BOX AT THE YUEN LONG TOWN HALL, AT 4 TAI YUK ROAD.

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ALL SHA TIN FAIR SITES TAKEN UP

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ALL 148 STALL SITES FOR THE COMING SHA TIN LUNAR NEW YEAR FAIR WERE LEASED BY AUCTION TODAY.

THE HIGHEST PRICE PAID FOR ONE OF THE 100 WET GOODS STALLS WAS \$2 100 AND THE LOWEST WAS \$880, SAID A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

THE 48 DRY GOODS STALLS WERE LEASED AT PRICES RANGING FROM \$180 TO \$700, AGAINST THE UPSET PRICE OF \$100.

THE AUCTION WAS CONDUCTED BY SHA TIN URBAN SERVICES OFFICE STAFF, AT THE LEK YUEN COMMUNITY HALL IN SHA TIN.

THE STALLS WILL BE PUT UP AT THE YUEN WO ROAD PLAYGROUND, BETWEEN FEBRUARY 13 AND 20, AT THE SAME TIME AS SIX OTHER FAIRS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

ON FRIDAY (JANUARY 18), 200 STALL SITES AT THE YUEN LONG LUNAR NEW YEAR FAIR WILL BE PUT UP FOR AUCTION, AT THE YUEN LONG TOWN HALL, TAI YUK ROAD, STARTING AT 9.30 AM.

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50 KPH SPEED LIMIT SET
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FROM 10 AM ON FRIDAY (JANUARY 18), MA WANG ROAD, ON LOK ROAD, WANG TAT ROAD AND LONG YIP STREET IN YUEN LONG SHALL BE SUBJECT TO A SPEED LIMIT OF 50 KILOMETRES PER HOUR.

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CLEARWAY AND ROAD WORK
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THE SOUTHERN SIDE OF SUGAR STREET IN CAUSEWAY BAY WILL BE DESIGNATED AN URBAN CLEARWAY, FROM 10 AM ON FRIDAY (JANUARY 18).

WITHIN THE ROAD SECTION, NO VEHICLE OTHER THAN FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS FROM 7 AM TO 10 AM AND 4 PM TO 7 PM DAILY.

AND IN CENTRAL, ABERDEEN STREET BETWEEN GOUGH STREET AND WELLINGTON STREET, WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC, EXCEPT FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLES, FROM 10 AM ON JANUARY 19 UNTIL MIDNIGHT ON JANUARY 27 FOR ROAD WORK.

DURING THE CLOSURE, TRAFFIC IN ABERDEEN STREET HEADING FOR WELLINGTON STREET WILL BE DIVERTED VIA HOLLYWOOD ROAD AND WYNDHAM STREET.

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BURST MAIN CAUSES TRAFFIC CHANGE
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DUE TO A BURST WATERMAIN IN WAN WAH STREET, EMERGENCY ROAD WORKS ARE BEING CARRIED OUT AND THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IN FORCE FOR ABOUT ONE MONTH.

- * THE SOUTHBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF WAN WAH STREET BETWEEN WAI WAH STREET AND SHEUNG FUNG STREET IS CLOSED TO ALL TRAFFIC.
- * WAN WAH STREET BETWEEN SHEUNG FUNG STREET AND YUK WAH STREET IS CLOSED TO ALL TRAFFIC.
- * SOUTHBOUND TRAFFIC IS DIVERTED EITHER VIA TSZ WAN SHAN ROAD AND SHATIN PASS ROAD OR TSZ WAN SHAN ROAD AND PO KONG VILLAGE ROAD.

/* KMB ROUTE

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- * KMB ROUTE NOS. 3A, 3B, 15A FROM TSZ WAN SHAN IS DIVERTED VIA TSZ WAN SHAN ROAD AND PO KONG VILLAGE ROAD.
- * KMB ROUTE NO. 5C FROM TSZ WAN SHAN IS DIVERTED VIA YUK WAH STREET, TSZ WAN SHAN ROAD AND PO KONG VILLAGE ROAD.
- * TAXICAB ROUTE NOS. 20 AND 37M TO SAN PO KONG ARE DIVERTED VIA TSZ WAN SHAN ROAD, YUK WAH STREET AND WAN WAH STREET.

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CASTLE PEAK WATER WORK

FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO SOME PREMISES IN CASTLE PEAK WILL BE TURNED OFF FROM 12 NOON ON SATURDAY (JANUARY 19) TO 7 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR WATER MAINS WORK.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT PREMISES ALONG LUNG MUN ROAD FROM TSING WUN ROAD TO TAP SHEK KOK, INCLUDING BUTTERFLY ESTATE, WU KING ESTATE, SIU SHAN COURT, MELODY GARDEN, TUEN MUN AREA 44, WU KING TEMPORARY HOUSING AREA, PAK KOK TEMPORARY HOUSING AREA, CASTLE PEAK BOYS' HOME, CASTLE PEAK (TAP SHEK KOK) POWER STATION, CHINA CEMENT CO. (HK) LTD., AND ALL CONSTRUCTION SITES IN THE AFFECTED AREA.

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