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TV SERIES ON LABOUR MATTERS BEING PRODUCED

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THE RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF WORKERS AND SOME OTHER LABOUR MATTERS WILL SOON BE BROUGHT INTO THE SPOTLIGHT BY A SERIES OF TELEVISION DRAMA PROGRAMMES.

THE SERIES IS BEING PRODUCED BY RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT.

EPISODES OF THE SERIES WILL FEATURE, AMONG OTHER THINGS, WORKMEN'S LEGAL ENTITLEMENTS, APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING, LEGAL PROTECTION FOR WOMEN AND YOUNG WORKERS, INDUSTRIAL HEALTH, WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION AND CONSTRUCTION SITE SAFETY.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (SUNDAY) THAT THE DEPARTMENT WAS GIVING FULL SUPPORT TO THE SERIES.

+QUITE A NUMBER OF OUR DIVISIONS AND UNITS ARE ASSISTING IN ONE WAY OR ANOTHER, INCLUDING THE FACTORY INSPECTORATE, LABOUR RELATIONS DIVISION AND THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION DIVISION.

+HELP IS BEING GIVEN IN BRIEFING RTHK PRODUCERS ON LABOUR MATTERS, IN PREPARING THE SCRIPTS AND IN LOCATION SHOOTING.

+THE SERIES WILL MAKE WORKERS REALISE MORE FULLY THEIR RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES AND AT THE SAME TIME PROVIDE ENTERTAINMENT.+

THE FIRST EPISODE IS EXPECTED TO BE SCREENED LATER THIS YEAR.

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SIR Y.K. KAN TO OPEN FIFTH TECHNICAL INSTITUTE

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LEE WAI LEE TECHNICAL INSTITUTE, THE FIFTH RUN BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, WILL BE OFFICIALLY OPENED BY SIR Y.K. KAN ON FRIDAY (MAY 30). DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR KENNETH TOPLEY WILL ALSO ATTEND THE OPENING CEREMONY.

THE INSTITUTE AT RENFREW ROAD, KOWLOON TONG HAS BEEN OPERATING A NUMBER OF CLASSES SINCE LAST OCTOBER IN A CLASS ROOM AND ADMINISTRATIVE BLOCK, WITH AN ENROLMENT OF OVER 1 200 STUDENTS.

NOW WITH THE COMPLETION OF THE REMAINING BUILDINGS WHICH HOUSE MOST OF THE WORKSHOPS AND LABORATORIES, THE INSTITUTE WILL BE NEARLY FULLY EQUIPPED FOR THE START OF THE 1980/81 ACADEMIC YEAR, A SPOKESMAN FOR LEE WAI LEE TECHNICAL INSTITUTE SAID.

+BY SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR WE WILL BE READY TO ACCEPT 740 FULL-TIME AND 1 700 PART-TIME DAY-RELEASE STUDENTS,+ HE SAID.

THIS, TOGETHER WITH THE INTAKE OF THE OTHER FOUR TECHNICAL INSTITUTES OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, WILL ACCOMMODATE A TOTAL OF 4 000 FULL-TIME AND 13 600 PART-TIME DAY-RELEASE STUDENTS.

/+WHEN FULLY

+WHEN FULLY DEVELOPED LEE WAI LEE TECHNICAL INSTITUTE IS EXPECTED TO HAVE ABOUT 1 000 FULL-TIME STUDENTS AND UP TO 3 000 PART-TIME DAY-RELEASE STUDENTS,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE NEW INSTITUTE WAS BUILT AT A COST OF ABOUT \$19 MILLION WITH THE COST OF EQUIPPING AMOUNTING TO \$10 MILLION.

IT COMPRISES 21 CLASS ROOMS, TWO DRAWING ROOMS, A COMPUTER ROOM, SIX LABORATORIES AND 27 WORKSHOPS OR SPECIAL ROOMS.

COURSES OFFERED AT THE INSTITUTE COVER THE FIELDS OF COMMERCIAL STUDIES, GENERAL STUDIES, MECHANICAL ENGINEERING AND TWO AREAS NEW TO LOCAL TECHNICAL INSTITUTES, NAMELY DESIGN AND INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY.

THE DEPARTMENT OF DESIGN OFFERS COURSES IN COMMUNICATION, GRAPHIC, INTERIOR, FURNITURE AND JEWELLERY DESIGNS.

THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY PROVIDES COURSES FOR MANUFACTURE AND INDUSTRY, INCLUDING METAL FINISHING, CLOCK AND WATCH, OPTICAL TECHNOLOGY AND FOOTWEAR. IT ALSO OFFERS A DIPLOMA COURSE IN PRODUCTION AND INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING.

THE INSTITUTE HAS ALSO BEEN DESIGNED TO INTEGRATE HANDICAPPED STUDENTS INTO CLASSES AND ABOUT 50 VACANCIES HAVE BEEN RESERVED FOR THESE SPECIAL STUDENTS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

THE OPENING CEREMONY OF LEE WAI LEE TECHNICAL INSTITUTE AT RENFREW ROAD, KOWLOON TONG WILL BE HELD AT 3 PM ON FRIDAY (MAY 30). YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND YOUR REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE EVENT.

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SURVEY ON CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE ACTIVITIES
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THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT IS CONDUCTING A COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC SURVEY ON CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE ACTIVITIES IN HONG KONG.

IT IS THE FIRST OF ITS KIND EVER TAKEN, AND IS PART OF A LONG-TERM PROGRAMME TO COLLECT INFORMATION ON THE STRUCTURE AND PERFORMANCE OF THESE PARTICULAR SECTORS.

ACTIVITIES COVERED IN THE SURVEY FOR 1979 ARE BUILDING AND CIVIL ENGINEERING CONSTRUCTION, REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT, ARCHITECTURAL, SURVEYING AND PROJECT ENGINEERING FIRMS, AND REAL ESTATE LEASING, BROKERAGE AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES.

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IT IS INTENDED TO COVER ALL 8 000 ESTABLISHMENTS KNOWN TO THE DEPARTMENT TO BE ENGAGED IN SUCH ACTIVITIES.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS SURVEY IS TO COLLECT BASIC STATISTICS FOR ASCERTAINING THE CONTRIBUTION OF CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE ACTIVITIES TO HONG KONG'S GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT, FOR STUDYING THE COST STRUCTURE, OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS AND OUTPUT LEVELS OF ESTABLISHMENTS BY TRADE, AND FOR ANALYSING CONSTRUCTION AND PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS. THESE STATISTICS ARE REQUIRED BY BOTH THE GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE ENTERPRISE IN THE FORMULATION OF THEIR DECISIONS.

THREE QUESTIONNAIRES WILL BE USED : ONE FOR BUILDING AND CIVIL ENGINEERING CONTRACTORS, ONE FOR REAL ESTATE DEVELOPERS, AND ONE FOR PROFESSIONAL AND OTHER SUPPORTING ACTIVITIES. ANOTHER FORM WILL BE USED TO OBTAIN DATA ON INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS.

INFORMATION SOUGHT INCLUDES : TYPE OF OWNERSHIP= NUMBER OF DIRECT EMPLOYEES= LABOUR COSTS= PURCHASES OF MATERIALS, SUPPLIES AND FITTINGS FOR CONSTRUCTION= SUB-CONTRACT WORK= OPERATING EXPENSES= VALUE OF CONSTRUCTION WORK PERFORMED= ACCRUED VALUE OF PROPERTY UNDER DEVELOPMENT= PROPERTY FOR RESALE= OTHER FORMS OF BUSINESS RECEIPTS= CAPITAL EXPENDITURE= DEPRECIATION= AND VALUE OF FIXED ASSETS.

THE SURVEY IS CONDUCTED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS (SURVEY OF BUILDING, CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE SECTORS FOR 1979) ORDER 1980, MADE BY THE GOVERNOR-IN-COUNCIL UNDER THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS ORDINANCE AND PUBLISHED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE ON JANUARY 11, 1980.

SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRES ARE BEING SENT BY RECORDED DELIVERY TO THE ESTABLISHMENTS CONCERNED. MANAGERMENTS ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE AND RETURN THEM TO THE DEPARTMENT BY JUNE 30, 1980. CENSUS OFFICERS MAY VISIT ESTABLISHMENTS AND ASSIST IN COMPLETING THE QUESTIONNAIRES UPON REQUEST.

THE MANAGEMENT IS URGED TO RETURN THE COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRES PROMPTLY AND CO-OPERATE WITH CENSUS OFFICERS IN THE COURSE OF ENUMERATION. INFORMATION RELATING TO INDIVIDUAL ESTABLISHMENTS WILL BE TREATED IN STRICT CONFIDENCE AND WILL ONLY BE USED FOR STATISTICAL PURPOSES.

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CHILDREN WITH HEARING PROBLEMS INTEGRATED INTO NORMAL SCHOOLS
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ABOUT 340 CHILDREN WITH HEARING PROBLEMS HAVE BEEN PLACED IN SCHOOLS AND INSTITUTES FOR NORMAL STUDENTS UNDER AN INTEGRATION PROGRAMME ACTIVELY PROMOTED BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

INTEGRATION IS A MODERN TREND IN SPECIAL EDUCATION WHICH GIVES OPPORTUNITIES TO THE HANDICAPPED TO PLAY AND LEARN WITH OTHER CHILDREN.

THIS HAS A DOUBLE BENEFIT — THE HANDICAPPED CAN ADAPT TO A NORMAL ENVIRONMENT WHILE PEOPLE IN CONTACT WITH THEM CAN COME TO UNDERSTAND AND BECOME MORE AWARE OF THEIR NEEDS.

IN PURSUIT OF THIS AIM, THE DEPARTMENT HAS, AMONG ITS SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES FOR THE HANDICAPPED, A TEAM OF EXPERIENCED TEACHERS OF THE DEAF TO HELP SMOOTH OUT ANY PROBLEM THE HEARING-IMPAIRED STUDENTS MAY COME UP WITH IN ORDINARY SCHOOLS.

OF THOSE HEARING-IMPAIRED STUDENTS BEING CARED FOR AT PRESENT, 207 ARE IN 144 PRIMARY SCHOOLS, 56 IN 51 SECONDARY SCHOOLS, FOUR IN THREE TECHNICAL INSTITUTES AND THE OTHERS IN PREVOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRES AND OTHER INSTITUTES.

ONE OF THE SCHOOLS PARTICIPATING IN THE SCHEME IS LUI MING CHOI LUTHERAN SECONDARY SCHOOL IN CHEUNG SHAN ESTATE, TSUEN WAN.

IT IS LOOKING AFTER TWO SPECIAL PUPILS, A GIRL CHOW WAI-LAN AND A BOY CHEUNG KIN-CHEONG, BOTH IN FORM II.

ALTHOUGH WAI-LAN HAS A PROFOUND HEARING LOSS, SHE IS THE BEST STUDENT IN ENGLISH IN HER CLASS. HER PROFICIENCY IN THIS SECOND LANGUAGE IS REMARKABLE AND CAN BE ATTRIBUTED TO HER TEACHER'S CONSTANT ENCOURAGEMENT AND HER OWN EFFORT.

KIN-CHEONG, WHO SUFFERS FROM MODERATE HEARING LOSS, IS PARTICULARLY WELL-ACCEPTED BY HIS CLASSMATES IN AND OUTSIDE CLASS. HIS OUTGOING PERSONALITY HELPS HIM ENJOY EVEN MORE HIS SCHOOL LIFE IN THE INTEGRATED EDUCATION SETTING.

SUCCESSFUL INTEGRATION OF THE PAIR IN THE SCHOOL WAS PARTLY THE RESULT OF CO-OPERATION AND ENCOURAGEMENT BY THEIR PARENTS. THE SCHOOL TOO HAS PLAYED AN IMPORTANT ROLE BY MAKING THINGS EASIER FOR THEM.

MR SIMON LEE, HEAD OF THE SCHOOL, HAS BEEN MOST ENTHUSIASTIC IN HELPING HIS TWO HANDICAPPED STUDENTS.

+TEACHING THEM REQUIRES GREATER INITIATIVE AND PATIENCE BUT IN SPITE OF THE DIFFICULTIES, I FIND IT A CHALLENGING AND WORTHWHILE TASK,+ HE SAID.

HE CONSULTS THE SPECIAL EDUCATION SECTION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT ON SPECIAL EDUCATION METHODS AND DISCUSSES THE PROBLEMS OF THE STUDENTS WITH HIS TEACHING STAFF.

THE TEACHERS ARE THEREFORE FAMILIAR WITH THE NEEDS OF WAI-LAN AND KIN-CHEONG. THEY GIVE THEM SPECIAL SEATS NEAR THE TEACHING PLATFORM SO THAT THEY CAN EASILY LIP READ THE TEACHER IN CLASS- AND ADDITIONAL HELP IN THEIR WEAKER SUBJECTS SO AS TO MAINTAIN THEIR CONFIDENCE IN LEARNING. THEIR CLASSMATES ARE ALSO ENCOURAGED TO UNDERSTAND AND ACCEPT THEIR HANDICAP AND TO MIX WITH THEM.

AS A RESULT, BOTH KIN-CHEONG AND WAI-LAN FOLLOW THE SAME CURRICULUM, DO THE SAME CLASS AND HOME WORK AND ENJOY THE SAME ACTIVITIES AFTER SCHOOL AS THEIR FELLOW STUDENTS.

THEIR PERIPATETIC TEACHER FROM THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, MRS CHOW LEE KIT-HUNG REGULARLY VISITS THEM TO SEE HOW THEY ARE PROGRESSING AND CALLS ON THEIR PARENTS TO GIVE COUNSEL.

HER SPECIAL CONCERN IS THE LIP READING AND COMMUNICATION SKILLS OF THE TWO STUDENTS, AS WELL AS THEIR SOCIAL ADJUSTMENT IN AN ORDINARY SCHOOL SETTING.

WITH THE CONCERTED EFFORT OF SCHOOLS, PARENTS AND PERIPATETIC TEACHERS, HANDICAPPED CHILDREN NOW HAVE A MUCH BETTER CHANCE TO STUDY AND TO GROW UP AS USEFUL MEMBERS OF OUR SOCIETY WITHOUT SUFFERING FROM THE IMPEDIMENT OF THEIR HANDICAPS.

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KWAI CHUNG HOSPITAL NEARS COMPLETION

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WORK ON THE SOUTH KWAI CHUNG HOSPITAL, FORMERLY KNOWN AS LAI CHI KOK MENTAL HOSPITAL, IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED TOWARDS THE END OF THIS YEAR.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT SAID STRUCTURAL WORK ON THE 1 336-BED HOSPITAL HAD ALREADY BEEN COMPLETED AND INTERIOR BUILDING WORK WAS PROGRESSING SMOOTHLY.

THE HOSPITAL LOCATED AT AN 11-HECTARE SITE NEAR THE PRINCESS MARGARET HOSPITAL IS FOR PSYCHIATRIC PATIENTS.

WHEN COMPLETED, THE SPOKESMAN SAID, IT WILL RELIEVE THE OVERCROWDING IN CASTLE PEAK HOSPITAL.

+THE HOSPITAL IS DESIGNED ON A MULTI-LEVEL CONCEPT LEAVING AS MUCH SPACE AS POSSIBLE FOR RECREATIONAL, OCCUPATIONAL AND PHYSIOTHERAPY ACTIVITIES,+ HE SAID.

+RECREATIONAL FACILITIES WILL INCLUDE A ROOF GARDEN, A MULTI-PURPOSE HALL FOR FILM SHOWS, CONCERTS OR INDOOR SPORTS, SHOP AND SOFT DRINK BAR, HAIR DRESSING SALON, A LIBRARY, READING ROOMS, A FOOTBALL PITCH AND A BASKETBALL COURT.+

THE HOSPITAL COMPRISES TWO MULTI-STOREY MALE AND FEMALE WARD BLOCKS WHICH WILL BE LINKED TO A FOUR-STOREY CLINICAL AND SERVICE BLOCK BY A SYSTEM OF SUBWAYS, ENABLING MORE SPACE AT THE UPPER GROUND AREA TO BE LANDSCAPED AS RECREATIONAL GARDENS.

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ICE STALL IN SHA TIN FOR LETTING

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THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT WILL LET OUT AN ICE STALL IN THE NEWLY COMPLETED SHA TIN MARKET BY AUCTION ON JUNE 4.

THE AUCTION WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE TOP FLOOR OF SHA TIN MARKET AT SHA TIN AREA 7 NEAR THE LEK YUEN ESTATE. THE UP-SET PRICE WILL BE \$300, AND THE AMOUNT BID WILL BE THE MONTHLY RENTAL OF THE ICE STALL.

THE 7.8 SQUARE METRE ICE STALL IS LOCATED ON THE FIRST FLOOR OF THE MARKET WHICH ALSO HOUSES FOUR POULTRY STALLS, 20 MEAT STALLS AND 26 FISH STALLS. ON THE GROUND FLOOR THERE ARE ANOTHER 124 MINI STALLS FOR SELLING VEGETABLES AND OTHER DRY GOODS.

THE STALL IS FOR STORING ICE FOR SALE TO STALLS IN THE MARKET.

THE LEASE WHICH COVERS A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS WILL BEGIN ON JULY 1 THIS YEAR.

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TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF MID-LEVELS SLIP ROAD

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THE ELEVATED SLIP ROAD FROM MAGAZINE GAP ROAD TO GARDEN ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 2.30 PM TO 3.15 PM ON WEDNESDAY (MAY 28) FOR SKID RESISTANCE TESTS.

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE SET UP TO GUIDE MOTORISTS DURING THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF THE ROAD.

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