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DPW PRAISES HK'S BUSTLING INDUSTRIOUS COMMUNITY  
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HONG KONG'S +BUSTLING INDUSTRIOUS COMMUNITY+ CAME IN FOR PRAISE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, MR DAVID MCDONALD, TODAY (WEDNESDAY).

NOT ONLY WAS THE POPULATION INCREASING RAPIDLY ANNUALLY, BUT THE COMMUNITY +STRIVES FOR THE URGENT ATTAINMENT OF FURTHER IMPROVEMENTS IN THE LIVING ENVIRONMENT,+ MR MCDONALD SAID.

THE DIRECTOR MADE THE REMARKS DURING HIS ADDRESS AT THE PLENARY SESSION OF THE COMMONWEALTH ENGINEERS' COUNCIL.

DELEGATES FROM 13 COMMONWEALTH COUNTRIES WERE REPRESENTED AT THE GATHERING. THESE COUNTRIES ARE AUSTRALIA, BANGLADESH, CANADA, THE CARRIBEAN, GHANA, HONG KONG, INDIA, MALAYSIA, NEW ZEALAND, SINGAPORE, THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA, SRI LANKA AND THE UNITED KINGDOM.

MR MCDONALD SAID: +HONG KONG IS QUITE UNLIKE OTHER PARTS OF THE COMMONWEALTH IN MANY RESPECTS: IT HAS A LITTLE OVER 1 050 SQUARE KILOMETRES OF TERRITORY CONSISTING OF 236 ISLANDS AND THE VAST MAJORITY OF ITS POPULATION, NUMBERING ABOUT FIVE MILLION, LIVE IN LESS THAN ONE QUARTER OF THE TOTAL AREA.

+NOT ONLY IS OUR POPULATION INCREASING RAPIDLY YEAR BY YEAR, AT THE SAME TIME OUR BUSTLING INDUSTRIOUS COMMUNITY STRIVES FOR THE URGENT ATTAINMENT OF FURTHER IMPROVEMENTS IN THE LIVING ENVIRONMENT.+

HE SAID THE COMBINATION OF THESE FACTORS LED TO SOME CHALLENGING ENGINEERING PROBLEMS.

+I HOPE THAT, DURING YOUR SHORT STAY, YOU WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SEE SOME OF THE PROJECTS WE ARE CONSTRUCTING TO OVERCOME THEM,+ HE SAID.

MR MCDONALD ALSO SAID THAT THE HONG KONG INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS — PERHAPS THE YOUNGEST MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL — WAS GROWING RAPIDLY AND THAT THE DISCUSSIONS WOULD BE OF GREAT VALUE TO ITS MEMBERS.

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GOVT HOLDS FRIENDLY TALKS WITH  
HKCCSA NURSES UNITS  
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THE SECRETARY FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE, MR MARTIN ROWLANDS SAID THIS (WEDNESDAY) EVENING THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE HONG KONG CHINESE CIVIL SERVANTS ASSOCIATION NURSES UNITS AND CIVIL SERVICE BRANCH OFFICIALS MET FOR OVER FOUR HOURS THIS AFTERNOON TO DISCUSS THE FIRST REPORT ON PAY ISSUED BY THE STANDING COMMISSION ON CIVIL SERVICE SALARIES AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE.

MR ROWLANDS SAID THE TALKS HAD TAKEN PLACE IN A FRANK AND FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE.

HE SAID THERE WILL BE A FURTHER MEETING ON TUESDAY (NOVEMBER 13).

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NEW NORTH POINT FERRY PIER NEARING COMPLETION  
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THE \$10.5 MILLION NEW NORTH POINT PASSENGER FERRY PIER, BEING BUILT IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE HONG KONG ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR, IS NEARING COMPLETION.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (WEDNESDAY) THAT THE CONTRACTOR IS PUTTING FINISHING TOUCHES TO THE TWIN-DECK PIER.

+IT WILL BE HANDED OVER TO THE FERRY COMPANY NEXT WEEK,+ HE SAID.

THE NEW PIER HAS BEEN DESIGNED TO ALLOW FOR AN EXTRA DECK TO CATER FOR FUTURE USES.

WHEN IT COMES INTO USE, ALL FERRY SERVICES OPERATING FROM THE EXISTING NORTH POINT FERRY PIER WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE NEW ONE. THE EXISTING PIER WILL BE REBUILT.

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TWO PRISONS AND CAS OFFICERS COMMENDED  
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THE COMMISSIONER OF PRISONS, MR T.G. GARNER, WILL PRESENT HIS COMMENDATION TO TWO OFFICERS OF THE PRISONS DEPARTMENT AND THE CIVIL AID SERVICES ON FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 9) FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP IN HANDLING A DISTURBANCE IN THE KAI TAK DETENTION CAMP ON JUNE 27 THIS YEAR.

THE TWO OFFICERS ARE PRINCIPAL PRISONS OFFICER LUK YUNG-SUM AND CAS OFFICER AU PO-NAM.

THE PRESENTATION WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE PRISONS DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS ON THE 10TH FLOOR OF GUARDIAN HOUSE, 32 OI KWAN ROAD, WAN CHAI AT 2 P.M.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE PRESENTATION OF THE COMMISSIONER OF PRISONS' COMMENDATION TO TWO OFFICERS OF THE PRISONS DEPARTMENT AND CIVIL AID SERVICES AT 2 P.M. ON FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 9), AT THE PRISONS DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS, GUARDIAN HOUSE, 10TH FLOOR, 32 OI KWAN ROAD, WAN CHAI.

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APPLICATIONS INVITED FOR EVENING COMMERCIAL COURSES  
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THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT IS INVITING APPLICATIONS FOR THREE PART-TIME EVENING COMMERCIAL COURSES TO BE HELD FROM MID-JANUARY TO MAY NEXT YEAR IN THREE GOVERNMENT-RUN TECHNICAL INSTITUTES.

THE COURSES ARE AUDIO-TYPING, PITMAN'S SHORTHAND AND TYPEWRITING, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID.

THEY WILL BE HELD AT THE MORRISON HILL, KWAI CHUNG AND LEE WAI LEE TECHNICAL INSTITUTES.

THE TUITION FEES RANGE FROM \$150 TO \$175.

APPLICATION FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM THE THREE TECHNICAL INSTITUTES FROM MONDAY (NOVEMBER 12), AND COMPLETED FORMS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE INSTITUTE APPLIED FOR ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER 23.

THE ADDRESS OF THE MORRISON HILL TECHNICAL INSTITUTE IS 6 OI KWAN ROAD, WAN CHAI. THE KWAI CHUNG TECHNICAL INSTITUTE IS LOCATED AT HING SHING ROAD, KWAI CHUNG- AND THE LEE WAI LEE TECHNICAL INSTITUTE AT RENFREW ROAD, KOWLOON TONG.

OFFICE HOURS OF THE INSTITUTES ARE FROM 9 A.M. TO 5 P.M. AND FROM 7 P.M. TO 8 P.M. ON WEEKDAYS- AND FROM 9 A.M. TO NOON ON SATURDAYS.

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THERE ARE AT PRESENT FIVE GOVERNMENT-RUN TECHNICAL INSTITUTES IN HONG KONG WITH A TOTAL ENROLMENT OF OVER 16 000 STUDENTS IN VARIOUS FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME COURSES, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE OTHER TWO INSTITUTES ARE THE KWUN TONG AND HAKING WONG TECHNICAL INSTITUTES, HE ADDED.

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CHRISTMAS AEROGRAMMES ON SALE NEXT MONDAY  
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THE POST OFFICE ANNOUNCED TODAY (WEDNESDAY) THAT CHRISTMAS PICTORIAL AEROGRAMMES WILL BE PUT ON SALE AT ALL POST OFFICES FROM MONDAY (NOVEMBER 12).

THE DESIGN OF THE AEROGRAMME, WHICH DEPICTS ONE OF THE STAINED GLASS WINDOWS IN ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL, WAS PRODUCED BY THE GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICES.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE POST OFFICE SAID: +THE CHRISTMAS AEROGRAMMES, TO BE SOLD AT 20 CENTS EACH, ARE A CONVENIENT WAY OF SENDING CHRISTMAS GREETINGS ABROAD.+

+THEY COMBINE BOTH A PERSONAL LETTER AND A GREETING, AND CAN BE POSTED TO ANY PART OF THE WORLD AS FIRST CLASS AIRMAIL FOR ONLY 60 CENTS,+ HE ADDED.

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TEMPORARY WATER CHARGES COLLECTION CENTRES  
IN FAN LING AND SHEUNG SHUI  
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THE TAI PO DISTRICT OFFICE IS TO OPEN TWO TEMPORARY COLLECTION CENTRES IN FAN LING AND SHEUNG SHUI FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF LOCAL RESIDENTS IN PAYING WATER CHARGES FOR THE JULY TO OCTOBER PERIOD.

THE TWO CENTRES WILL BE AT THE FAN LING RURAL COMMITTEE OFFICE IN LUEN WO HUI AND THE SHEUNG SHUI PUBLIC ENQUIRY CENTRE IN SHEK WU HUI.

THE FAN LING COLLECTION CENTRE WILL OPEN ON NOVEMBER 12 AND 13, WHILE THE SHEUNG SHUI CENTRE WILL OPEN ON NOVEMBER 14, 15 AND 16. COLLECTION HOURS IN BOTH CENTRES WILL BE FROM 9 A.M. TO 1 P.M.

PAYMENTS CAN ALSO BE MADE IN THE NORMAL WAY TO THE DISTRICT'S ACCOUNTING OFFICE.

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WATER CUT IN WESTERN  
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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN WESTERN DISTRICT WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR SEVEN HOURS FROM 11 P.M. ON FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 9) TO 6 A.M. THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR A LEAKAGE TEST.

THE AREA TO BE AFFECTED IS BOUNDED BY 17-106 HILL ROAD, 71A, B AND C POK FU LAM ROAD, PO TUCK STREET, CLARENCE TERRACE, CHUN SING STREET AND 450-496 QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

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