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SCHOOLS TO PLAY MORE IMPORTANT ROLE IN STUDENT
ASSESSMENT

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THE FUTURE TREND OF EXAMINATIONS IS LIKELY TO BE THAT THE MAIN ASSESSMENT OF A STUDENT'S ABILITY WILL PROGRESSIVELY BE MADE MORE AND MORE BY THE SCHOOL AND ONLY MONITORED BY PUBLIC TESTS, SENIOR ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION (PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT), MR. ARTHUR BROWN SAID TODAY.

SPEAKING AT THE LUNCHEON MEETING OF LION'S CLUB (HONG KONG SOUTH) MR. BROWN CITED AS AN EXAMPLE OF THIS TREND THE SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES ALLOCATION SCHEME.

THE ADVANTAGE OF THIS SCHEME, HE SAID, WAS THAT A STUDENT'S FUTURE NO LONGER DEPENDED ON HIS PERFORMANCE ON ONE DAY'S TESTING, BUT ON A WHOLE SERIES OF UNPRESSURED TESTING IN SCHOOL.

BUT MR. BROWN CAUTIONED THAT THE PRESSURE FROM PUBLIC EXAMINATION MUST NOT BE TRANSFERRED TO THE SCHOOL EXAMINATION.

+AT THE BEST WITH A REAL UNDERSTANDING BY PARENTS AND BY SCHOOLS THE PRESSURE COULD BE REDUCED TO THE LEVEL WHERE IT ENCOURAGED HARD WORK, BUT HAD NO REAL STRAIN ON THE STUDENTS,+ HE SAID.

THE FIRST FEATURE OF THE ALLOCATION SYSTEM, MR. BROWN SAID, WAS THE ACADEMIC APTITUDE TEST WHICH HAS ACHIEVED A REASONABLE DEGREE OF SUCCESS IN REDUCING EXAMINATION PRESSURE.

+THE TESTS ARE DESIGNED TO TEST WHAT MIGHT BE DESCRIBED AS COMMON SENSE IN THE HANDLING OF WORDS AND NUMBERS, A GOOD PREDICTOR OF FUTURE SUCCESS IN EDUCATION.

+IN OTHER WORDS, LITTLE PREPARATION IS NEEDED FOR THE TESTS AND SO THE CURRICULUM CAN BE VERY FLEXIBLE AND SUIT THE NEEDS OF THE CHILD,+ MR. BROWN SAID.

TURNING TO SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS, MR. BROWN SAID THEY HAVE THREE MAIN OBJECTIVES.

FIRST, THEY SHOULD GUIDE THE TEACHER ON THE SUCCESS OF HIS TEACHING AND BE USED TO FIND THE WEAKNESSES AND STRENGTHS OF THE STUDENTS.

SECOND, THEY SHOULD BE USED TO GIVE THE STUDENTS A TARGET AND ENCOURAGE HARD WORK. FINALLY, THEY COULD BE USED OVER A PERIOD OF TIME TO EVALUATE THE STUDENTS' LIKELY ABILITY TO PROFIT FROM DIFFERENT TYPES OF EDUCATION.

BUT HE ADDED THAT EXAMINATIONS MUST NOT SIMPLY TEST ROTE LEARNING. +EXAMINATIONS WHICH GIVE THE STUDENT A CHANCE TO EXPRESS HIS OWN IDEAS, HOWEVER SIMPLE, AND WHICH TRY TO GET A CHILD TO THINK AND REASON FOR HIMSELF ARE EXCELLENT.+

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NOTING THAT FIERCE COMPETITION IN EXAMINATIONS OFTEN LED TO ROTE LEARNING OF FACTS AND FIGURES, LEADING TO A LACK OF GENERAL KNOWLEDGE, MR. BROWN SAID ONE SOLUTION WOULD BE THE BROADENING OF THE CURRICULUM.

+AT THE 6TH FORM LEVEL THERE WAS PUBLISHED RECENTLY A REPORT OF A WORKING PARTY ON THE 6TH FORM CURRICULUM AND A PROPOSED EXAMINATION SYSTEM INCORPORATING SUBSIDIARY SUBJECTS WHICH WOULD BROADEN THE CURRICULUM,+ HE SAID.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION IS CURRENTLY STUDYING THIS REPORT, AND THEIR MAIN CONCERN WAS TO CONSIDER HOW THE PRESENT CURRICULUM COULD BE REPLACED BY +SOMETHING WHICH BROADENS THE OUTLOOK, PRODUCES A TRULY EDUCATED STUDENT, AND MINIMISES EXAMINATION STRESS,+ MR. BROWN ADDED.

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GOVERNOR VISITS MTR STATION SITES

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THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE, THIS (FRIDAY) AFTERNOON VISITED A NUMBER OF STATION SITES ALONG THE ROUTE OF THE MODIFIED INITIAL SYSTEM OF THE MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY AND RODE ON ONE OF THE MTR TRAINS.

THE GOVERNOR, ACCOMPANIED BY MR. JOHN WALDEN, DIRECTOR OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MR. NORMAN THOMSON, CHAIRMAN OF MTR, VISITED THE ADMIRALTY STATION IN CENTRAL, WATERLOO STATION IN NORTH NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON BAY OVERHEAD STATION AND KOWLOON BAY DEPOT.

DURING HIS TOUR, SIR MURRAY WAS MET AND BRIEFED BY SENIOR MTR ENGINEERS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF CONTRACTORS ENGAGED ON THE WORK.

AT KOWLOON BAY, SIR MURRAY AND THE PARTY BOARDED AN MTR TRAIN AND RODE FOR A SHORT DISTANCE ALONG A SECTION OF THE OVERHEAD RUNNING LINE.

THE ALUMINIUM-BODIED MTR TRAINS ARE FULLY AIR-CONDITIONED. EACH CAR IS ABOUT 22 METRES LONG AND THREE METRES WIDE, WITH 48 LONGITUDINAL SEATS AND ROOM FOR ABOUT 327 STANDING PASSENGERS. THERE ARE FIVE WIDE DOORS ON EACH SIDE OF THE CAR.

TRAINS ARE INITIALLY OF FOUR-CAR SETS WITH DRIVING CABS AT BOTH ENDS AND VESTIBULES CONNECTING THE CARS. THEY ARE ELECTRICALLY POWERED AND AUTOMATICALLY DRIVEN, WITH A MAXIMUM SPEED OF 80 KPH.

AT THE MTR'S TRAINING SCHOOL IN KOWLOON BAY DEPOT, SIR MURRAY SAW THE OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE STAFF UNDERGOING TRAINING.

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ESTIMATED FIGURES ON POPULATION

THE ESTIMATED POPULATION AT THE END OF DECEMBER 1978 WAS 4,720,200, FIGURES RELEASED TODAY (FRIDAY) BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT SHOWED.

COMPARED WITH THE END-YEAR 1977 ESTIMATE, THERE WAS AN INCREASE OF 153,310 PEOPLE OVER THE YEAR, REPRESENTING AN ANNUAL POPULATION GROWTH RATE OF 3.4 PER CENT.

THIS WAS MADE UP OF A +PLUS+ OF 56,900 THROUGH THE BALANCE OF BIRTHS OVER DEATHS AND A +PLUS+ OF 96,410 THROUGH THE BALANCE OF MIGRATION.

BIRTHS LAST YEAR TOTALLED 80,785 OR 897 MORE THAN THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

THIS INCREASE WAS ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE GRADUAL INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF WOMEN IN THE CHILD-BEARING AGES BETWEEN 15 AND 49.

BUT THE CONTINUING TENDENCY FOR THE GENERAL LEVEL OF FERTILITY TO DECLINE HAS FURTHER REDUCED THE CRUDE BIRTH RATE FROM 17.7 PER THOUSAND POPULATION IN 1977 TO 17.5 LAST YEAR.

THE TOTAL NUMBER OF DEATHS FOR 1978 WAS 23,885 AS COMPARED WITH THE CORRESPONDING FIGURE OF 23,406 FOR 1977.

THE CRUDE DEATH RATE AT 5.2 PER THOUSAND POPULATION REMAINED THE SAME AS IN 1977.

THE FIGURES ON BIRTHS AND DEATHS ARE BASED ON EVENTS OCCURRING RATHER THAN ON REGISTRATIONS MADE AND THEREFORE DIFFER SLIGHTLY FROM THOSE RELEASED BY THE REGISTRAR GENERAL.

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KOWLOON TONG DRAFT OUTLINE ZONING PLAN
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THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD TODAY (FRIDAY) PUBLISHED A DRAFT OUTLINE ZONING PLAN FOR KOWLOON TONG.

THE OBJECT OF THE PLAN IS TO PROVIDE A LAND USE PATTERN AND MAJOR ROAD FRAMEWORK WITHIN WHICH THE USE AND DEVELOPMENT OF LAND MAY BE CO-ORDINATED AND LEGALLY CONTROLLED.

A MAXIMUM PLOT RATIO CONTROL OF 0.6 OR THE EXISTING PLOT RATIO, WHICHEVER IS GREATER, WILL APPLY THROUGHOUT THE GROUP C RESIDENTIAL ZONE.

IT WILL PROVIDE OWNERS WITH A DEFINITE INDICATION AS TO THE REDEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL OF THEIR PROPERTY.

A SPOKESMAN OF THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD SAID: +THE INTENTION OF THE PLAN IS TO RETAIN THE ORIGINAL CHARACTER OF THE AREA AND THE EXISTING SCALE OF DEVELOPMENT WHICH IS UNIQUE IN THE KOWLOON URBAN AREA.+

THE PLAN COVERS 197.31 HECTARES, OF WHICH 48.57 HECTARES ARE ZONED FOR GROUP B AND 23.14 HECTARES FOR GROUP C RESIDENTIAL USES, 36.72 FOR GOVERNMENT, INSTITUTION, AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, 0.21 HECTARES FOR COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES AND 15.4 HECTARES FOR OTHER USES.

A TOTAL OF 35.13 HECTARES IS EARMARKED FOR OPEN SPACE WHILE ABOUT 20 HECTARES HAVE BEEN SET ASIDE FOR A GREEN BELT.

COPIES OF THE DRAFT PLAN INCLUDING NOTES ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION AT THE CITY DISTRICT OFFICE (CENTRAL AND WESTERN) ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING ENTRANCE- THE CITY DISTRICT OFFICE, KOWLOON CITY- MA TAU KOK ROAD GOVERNMENT OFFICES, KOWLOON- AND THE TOWN PLANNING OFFICE, 17TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD.

UNDER A NOTICE PUBLISHED IN TODAY'S GOVERNMENT GAZETTE, ANY PERSON AFFECTED BY THE DRAFT PLAN MAY SUBMIT WRITTEN OBJECTIONS TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD, C/O PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG BEFORE APRIL 8.

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MORE NEW SCHOOLS FOR SHA TIN

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A SCHOOL FOR COMMERCE WILL BE BUILT IN SHA TIN TO PROVIDE COMMERCIAL TRAINING FOR 1,200 STUDENTS, THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR. DAVID AKERS-JONES, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

HE SAID THE NEW TOWN WILL ALSO HAVE A TECHNICAL INSTITUTE AND 41 SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

MR. AKERS-JONES WAS SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE TUNG WAH GROUP OF HOSPITALS' 1,200-PLACE MRS. FUNG WONG FUNG-TING COLLEGE IN LEK YUEN ESTATE WHICH ALREADY HAS AN ENROLMENT OF 485 STUDENTS IN 12 CLASSES.

MR. AKERS-JONES SAID THE SCHOOL WAS BUILT AS PART OF THE PROGRAMME TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT SCHOOLS AND OTHER FACILITIES TO CREATE A BALANCED AND SELF-SUFFICIENT NEW TOWN AT SHA TIN.

HE SAID, +WE CAN SEE ALL AROUND US IN SHA TIN THE PROOF OF OUR DETERMINATION TO PRESS ON WITH THE BUILDING OF THE NEW TOWN. AS AN INTEGRAL PART OF THIS, OTHER SECONDARY AND PRIMARY SCHOOLS WILL OPEN SHORTLY.+

MR. AKERS-JONES SAID THE TUNG WAH GROUP OF HOSPITALS' CONTRIBUTION TO, AND MANAGING, A SCHOOL IN THE NEW TERRITORIES WAS EVIDENCE OF THE STEADY REMOVAL OF THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE OLD URBAN AREAS AND THE NEW TERRITORIES.

PRAISING MR. FUNG KAM CHUNG FOR HIS \$550,000 DONATION TOWARDS THE COST OF BUILDING THE SCHOOL, HE SAID IT WAS +YET ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF THAT GENEROUS SPIRIT WHICH WAS QUITE COMMONLY FOUND IN HONG KONG WHEREBY THOSE WHO WERE WEALTHY SHARED THEIR WEALTH IN HELPING TO PROVIDE SCHOOLS AND MANY OTHER FACILITIES FOR THE GENERAL GOOD.+

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PILLAR POINT SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS
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THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TODAY (FRIDAY) INVITED TENDERS TO BUILD THE FIRST STAGE OF THE PILLAR POINT SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS IN TUEN MUN.

A PWD SPOKESMAN SAID THE PROJECT AIMED TO COPE WITH THE POPULATION GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT TAKING PLACE IN TUEN MUN NEW TOWN.

+CIVIL ENGINEERING WORK IS SCHEDULED TO START IN APRIL AND WILL TAKE ABOUT 16 MONTHS TO COMPLETE,+ HE ADDED.

+THIS WILL BE FOLLOWED BY ENGINEERING WORK COMPRISING CONSTRUCTION OF A PUMPING STATION, SCREEN CHAMBERS, GRIT REMOVAL TANKS, SUPERSTRUCTURES TO HOUSE THE SCREENINGS PRESS, INTEGRATED STATION CONTROLS, ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AND ANCILLARY DRAINAGE AND ROADWORKS.+

ON COMPLETION, SEWAGE FROM THE NEW TOWN WILL BE TREATED THROUGH FINE SCREENS AND GRIT REMOVAL DEVICE BEFORE BEING DISCHARGED THROUGH A SUBMARINE PIPE INTO DEEP WATER FOR DILUTION AND SATISFACTORY DISPERSION.

THE WORKS HAVE BEEN DESIGNED, AND CONSTRUCTION WILL BE SUPERVISED, BY THE DRAINAGE WORKS DIVISION OF THE CIVIL ENGINEERING OFFICE ON BEHALF OF TUEN MUN NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT OFFICE, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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TENDERS CALLED FOR KWAI CHUNG INDUSTRIAL SITE
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THE GOVERNMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR AN INDUSTRIAL SITE IN KWAI CHUNG.

APPLICATIONS FOR THE 1,460 SQUARE-METRE SITE ARE LIMITED TO HOLDERS OF LAND EXCHANGE ENTITLEMENTS ISSUED BY THE NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION.

+THE LAND, EARMARKED FOR INDUSTRIAL OR GODOWN DEVELOPMENT, IS IN HA KWAI CHUNG NEAR THE KWAI CHUNG CONTAINER TERMINAL,+ THE ESTATE SURVEYOR (KWAI CHUNG) OF THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT OFFICE, MR. GREG FRASER SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE LOT CARRIES A BUILDING COVENANT OF \$2,357,250 TO BE FULFILLED BEFORE JUNE 30, 1981.

TENDERS SHOULD BE PLACED IN THE APPLICATION BOX IN THE RECEPTION LOBBY OF THE NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION ON THE FIFTH FLOOR OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY HEADQUARTERS BUILDING, 101 PRINCESS MARGARET ROAD, BEFORE NOON ON FEBRUARY 28.

FULL PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE MAY BE OBTAINED FROM, AND SALE PLANS INSPECTED AT, THE NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION OR ANY OF ITS SEVEN DISTRICT OFFICES.

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INDOOR GAMES HALL FOR KWAI CHUNG

THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT IS TO BUILD AN INDOOR GAMES HALL IN KWAI CHUNG SHORTLY.

TENDERS FOR THE WORK WERE INVITED TODAY (FRIDAY) BY THE PWD.

A PWD SPOKESMAN SAID THE BUILDING, 62.5 METRES LONG AND 38 METRES WIDE, WILL ACCOMMODATE TWO BASKETBALL COURTS, TWO TENNIS COURTS, THREE VOLLEYBALL COURTS AND EIGHT BADMINTON COURTS.

IN ADDITION, THERE WILL BE CHANGING ROOMS AND TOILETS, OFFICES, A SEPARATE GAMES ROOM, EQUIPMENT STORES, TRAINING ROOMS AND A TABLE-TENNIS ROOM.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE BUILDING WILL HAVE A STEEL-FRAMED ROOF STRUCTURE.

WORK IS EXPECTED TO START IN APRIL AND IT WILL TAKE ABOUT 12 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

ON COMPLETION, THE INDOOR GAMES HALL WILL BE HANDED OVER TO THE URBAN COUNCIL FOR MANAGEMENT.

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MARINE COURT TO INVESTIGATE HYDROFOIL-FISHING VESSEL COLLISION

THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE HAS APPOINTED A MARINE COURT TO INVESTIGATE A COLLISION THAT OCCURRED ON APRIL 12 LAST YEAR BETWEEN THE HYDROFOIL +FLYING CONDOR+ AND A FISHING VESSEL, LICENCE NO. M70071C, IN THE VICINITY OF CHEUNG CHAU.

THE MARINE COURT, COMPRISING JUDGE HOPKINSON AND ASSISTED BY TWO ASSESSORS, CAPTAIN M.D. BURBIDGE AND CAPTAIN P. GRAY, WILL SIT AT 10 A.M. THIS COMING MONDAY IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, MAIN WING.

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GENERAL HOLIDAYS FOR 1980 GAZETTED
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THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE, PUBLISHED TODAY (FRIDAY), CONTAINS DETAILS OF THE GENERAL HOLIDAYS TO BE OBSERVED IN 1980. EXCLUDING SUNDAYS, THERE ARE A TOTAL OF 17 HOLIDAYS WHICH ARE:

EVERY SUNDAY	-
THE FIRST WEEK-DAY IN JANUARY	TUESDAY, JANUARY 1
LUNAR NEW YEAR'S DAY	SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16
THE THIRD DAY OF LUNAR NEW YEAR	MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18
THE FOURTH DAY OF LUNAR NEW YEAR	TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19
GENERAL HOLIDAY IN LIEU OF THAT FOR THE CHING MING FESTIVAL	MONDAY, MARCH 31
GOOD FRIDAY (CHING MING FESTIVAL)	FRIDAY, APRIL 4
THE DAY FOLLOWING GOOD FRIDAY	SATURDAY, APRIL 5
EASTER MONDAY	MONDAY, APRIL 7
THE BIRTHDAY OF HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN	MONDAY, APRIL 21
TUEN NG (DRAGON BOAT) FESTIVAL	TUESDAY, JUNE 17
THE FIRST WEEK-DAY IN JULY	TUESDAY, JULY 1
THE FIRST MONDAY IN AUGUST	MONDAY, AUGUST 4
THE LAST MONDAY IN AUGUST, WHICH SHALL BE LIBERATION DAY	MONDAY, AUGUST 25
THE DAY FOLLOWING THE CHINESE MID- AUTUMN FESTIVAL	WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24
CHUNG YEUNG FESTIVAL	FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17
CHRISTMAS DAY	THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25
THE FIRST WEEK-DAY AFTER CHRISTMAS DAY	FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID AS CHING MING AND GOOD FRIDAY FELL ON THE SAME DATE (FRIDAY, APRIL 4), MONDAY, MARCH 31 HAD BEEN SET ASIDE AS A HOLIDAY IN LIEU OF CHING MING, ALTHOUGH CHING MING WOULD REMAIN A HOLIDAY FOR EMPLOYEES TO WHOM THE EMPLOYMENT ORDINANCE APPLIED.

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SIR ROBERT HO TUNG CHARITABLE FUND ALLOCATIONS

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THE ANNUAL ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FROM THE SIR ROBERT HO TUNG CHARITABLE FUND HAS BEEN COMPLETED AND GRANTS TOTALLING \$2.1 MILLION TO 83 CHARITABLE ORGANISATIONS MADE.

THIS WAS ANNOUNCED TODAY (FRIDAY) BY MR. JOHN CHAMBERS, DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR SOCIAL SERVICES, WHO IS CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE WHICH ADVISES THE GOVERNOR ON FUNDS ALLOCATION.

THE FUND, ONE OF THE LARGEST CHARITABLE TRUSTS IN HONG KONG, WAS ESTABLISHED BY THE LATE SIR ROBERT HO TUNG BY A BEQUEST MADE ON HIS DEATH IN 1956. ITS ASSETS ARE ADMINISTERED BY HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI BANK HONG KONG (TRUSTEE) LIMITED, TRUSTEES OF SIR ROBERT HO TUNG'S ESTATE.

MR. CHAMBERS SAID THE AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION HAD INCREASED FROM \$33,500 IN 1960-61 TO \$1.9 MILLION LAST YEAR. HE POINTED OUT THAT, SINCE 1970 ALONE, OVER \$16 MILLION HAD BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO CHARITABLE ORGANISATIONS IN HONG KONG FROM THE FUND.

HE SAID GRANTS INCLUDED \$465,000 TO THE TUNG WAH GROUP OF HOSPITALS — \$215,000 TO PURCHASE AN IMAGE INTENSIFIER FOR THE TUNG WAH EASTERN HOSPITAL AND \$250,000 TO MEET PART OF THE CONSTRUCTION COSTS OF A CARE AND ATTENTION HOME FOR THE AGED AT TAIPO.

THE PO LEUNG KUK HAD RECEIVED A DONATION OF \$140,000 TOWARDS THE COST OF RENOVATING ITS MAIN BUILDING. THE ST. JOHN AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION AND BRIGADE HAD BEEN GRANTED \$114,240 TO FURNISH THREE NEW CENTRES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, TO BUY TRAINING EQUIPMENT AND TO EXPAND DENTAL PATROL SERVICES.

THE HONG KONG RED CROSS HAD BEEN GIVEN \$100,000 TO PROMOTE PUBLICITY FOR ITS BLOOD COLLECTION SERVICES AND TO BUY ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT FOR DISABLED CHILDREN.

A TOTAL OF \$100,000 HAD BEEN PROVIDED TO SUPPLY MILK AND ARRANGE EDUCATIONAL OUTINGS FOR HANDICAPPED CHILDREN IN 33 SPECIAL SCHOOLS. THE HONG KONG CHINESE CHRISTIAN CHURCHES UNION HAD ALSO RECEIVED THE SAME AMOUNT TOWARDS THE COST OF CONSTRUCTING AN OLD PEOPLE'S HOME IN KWUN TONG.

IN ADDITION DONATIONS OF ABOUT \$90,000 EACH HAD BEEN GIVEN TO THE FAMILY PLANNING ASSOCIATION, THE SALVATION ARMY, AND THE HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR MENTALLY RETARDED CHILDREN TO FURTHER THEIR WORK IN THE COMMUNITY.

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FOLK NIGHT IN WONG TAI SIN

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THE WONG TAI SIN CENTRE OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD ADVICE ACTION COUNCIL AND THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT YOUNG WORKERS RECREATIONAL SCHEME COMMITTEE ARE HOLDING A FOLK NIGHT TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AT THE MORSE PARK OPEN THEATRE, KOWLOON.

THE FOLK NIGHT IS BEING HELD IN RESPONSE TO THE CALL TO PROVIDE MORE HEALTHY RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG WORKERS DURING THE SPRING FESTIVAL.

MORE THAN 10 GUITAR SINGING GROUPS, CHOIRS AND CHINESE MUSICAL GROUPS FROM VARIOUS SCHOOLS AND YOUTH CENTRES IN THE DISTRICT WILL BE PERFORMING.

THE FOLK NIGHT IS JOINTLY SPONSORED BY THE CITY DISTRICT OFFICE (WONG TAI SIN) AND THE COMMUNITY AND YOUTH OFFICE (WONG TAI SIN).

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE FOLK NIGHT JOINTLY SPONSORED BY THE WONG TAI SIN CITY DISTRICT AND THE COMMUNITY AND YOUTH OFFICES TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AT 7.30 P.M. AT THE MORSE PARK OPEN THEATRE IN KOWLOON.

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ESSAY CONTEST PROMOTING SWD'S SCHOOL
SOCIAL WORK
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AN EXTENSIVE ESSAY COMPETITION TO PROMOTE SCHOOL SOCIAL WORK AMONG SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS WILL END TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AT A PRIZE-PRESENTATION CEREMONY.

THE COMPETITION, ORGANISED BY SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKERS OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT FROM 35 SECONDARY SCHOOLS, HAS DRAWN HUNDREDS OF ENTRIES.

THE WINNERS AND RUNNERS-UP WHO BEAT THE REST OF THE 184 FINALISTS IN THE SENIOR AND JUNIOR SECTIONS WILL RECEIVE THEIR PRIZES FROM MISS CHAN JOY-YIN, HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT'S FAMILY SERVICES DIVISION.

THE PRESENTATION CEREMONY WILL BE HELD TOMORROW AT THE TAI HANG TUNG COMMUNITY CENTRE, TONG YAM STREET, KOWLOON.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (FRIDAY) THE THEME OF THE ESSAY COMPETITION WAS CENTRED AROUND THE LIFE OF SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS IN A SCHOOL SETTING.

+THE IDEA IS TO PROMOTE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF PROPER SECONDARY SCHOOL LIFE AND OF THE SCHOOL SOCIAL WORK SERVICE AVAILABLE FOR THE STUDENTS,+ HE SAID.

HE SAID THE SCHOOL WORKERS OF THE DEPARTMENT HAD BEEN PROVIDING SERVICES FOR STUDENTS WHO NEED EDUCATIONAL GUIDANCE AS WELL AS ASSISTANCE IN SOLVING THEIR PERSONAL OR SOCIAL PROBLEMS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE PRIZE-PRESENTATION CEREMONY OF THE ESSAY COMPETITION ORGANISED BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS. THE CEREMONY WILL TAKE PLACE TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AT 10 A.M. AT THE TAI HANG TUNG COMMUNITY CENTRE, TONG YAM STREET, KOWLOON.

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AMS TO HOLD ANNUAL DINNER

THE AUXILIARY MEDICAL SERVICE WILL HOLD ITS ANNUAL DINNER AT THE OCEANIA RESTAURANT, OCEAN TERMINAL, IN KOWLOON TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AT 8 P.M.

SOME 1,000 AMS OFFICERS AND MEMBERS WILL ATTEND THE FUNCTION, INCLUDING DR. K.L. THONG, DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES AND CONCURRENTLY AMS UNIT CONTROLLER, AND MRS. THONG, DR. S.F. LAM, DEPUTY UNIT CONTROLLER, HONG KONG REGION, AND DR. RAYMOND MOK, DEPUTY UNIT CONTROLLER, KOWLOON AND NEW TERRITORIES REGION.

A NUMBER OF OFFICIALS FROM THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL LIFE SAVING SOCIETY, HONG KONG BRANCH, WILL BE GUESTS.

DR. THONG WILL ADDRESS THE GATHERING AND PRESENT CIVIL DEFENCE LONG SERVICE MEDALS TO 17 LONG-SERVING MEMBERS AND LIFE-SAVING TROPHIES TO OUTSTANDING AMS LIFE-SAVERS. HE WILL ALSO GIVE HOME NURSING CERTIFICATES TO 104 AMS AUXILIARY NURSES.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE ANNUAL DINNER OF THE AUXILIARY MEDICAL SERVICE AT THE OCEANIA RESTAURANT, OCEAN TERMINAL, AT 8 P.M. TOMORROW (SATURDAY).

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PARTY FOR MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF AND
THEIR FAMILIES

HUNDREDS OF CHILDREN OF STAFF MEMBERS OF THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT WILL ATTEND A PARTY IN THE SPORTS FIELD OF KOWLOON HOSPITAL ON SUNDAY.

THIS WILL BE THE EIGHTH SUCH PARTY ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT'S STAFF SOCIETY, BRINGING TOGETHER ALL STAFF AND THEIR FAMILIES FOR WHAT HAS NOW BECOME AN ANNUAL OCCASION.

PROGRAMMES WILL INCLUDE A LION DANCE, GAMES, A LUCKY DRAW, DISCO DANCE COMPETITION, AND PERFORMANCES BY AMS BAND AND CAPE COLLINSON PIPER'S BAND.

DR. K.L. THONG, DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES, WILL BE PRESENT TO DOT THE LION'S EYES.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF PARTY WHICH WILL BE HELD ON THE LAWN BY THE ENTRANCE TO THE WEST WING OF KOWLOON HOSPITAL, ARGYLE STREET, BETWEEN 1 P.M. AND 5 P.M. ON SUNDAY.

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