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NEW MEASURE TO DETER EMPLOYMENT OF II'S AT WORK SITES

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THE GOVERNMENT IS INTRODUCING A NEW MEASURE TO PREVENT ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS WORKING ON PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION SITES.

UNDER THE NEW MEASURE, A CONTRACTOR WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM BIDDING FOR GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS FOR SIX MONTHS IF HE WAS FOUND TO HAVE BEEN CONVICTED MORE THAN TWICE WITHIN A 12-MONTH PERIOD OF EMPLOYING OR HAVING ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS AT A WORK SITE UNDER THAT CONTRACTOR'S CONTROL, BE IT A PRIVATE OR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE WORKS BRANCH SAID: "THE NEW MEASURE IS IN LINE WITH THE GOVERNMENT POLICY TO TACKLE THE PROBLEM OF ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION EFFECTIVELY."

THE SUSPENSION WILL APPLY TO ANY CONTRACTOR NAMED IN THE APPROVED LISTS OF CONTRACTORS FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS, AS WELL AS SUPPLIERS OF MATERIALS, AND SPECIALIST CONTRACTORS FOR PUBLIC WORKS.

"IT WILL ALSO APPLY TO CONTRACTORS WHO HAVE BEEN PRE-SELECTED OR PRE-QUALIFIED AS TENDERERS FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND TO JOINT VENTURES AND CONSORTIA."

THE SUSPENSION WILL BE FOR A PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS AND TAKE EFFECT FROM THE DATE OF THE LAST CONVICTION.

THE SECRETARY FOR WORKS HAS INFORMED HONG KONG CONSTRUCTION ASSOCIATION OF THE NEW MEASURE WHICH WILL BE PUT IN PLACE THIS MONTH UPON THE ISSUE OF A WORKS BRANCH TECHNICAL CIRCULAR TO THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY.

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RESPONSE TO YOUTH CHARTER ENCOURAGING

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THIRTY-NINE ORGANISATIONS HAVE INDICATED THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE CHARTER FOR YOUTH BY AGREEING TO BECOME SUBSCRIBERS SINCE THE INTRODUCTION OF THE DOCUMENT EARLIER THIS MONTH.

"WE ARE INDEED ENCOURAGED BY THIS POSITIVE RESPONSE," THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMISSION ON YOUTH, MR ERIC LI KA-CHEUNG, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

AT A MEETING OF THE COMMISSION LAST THURSDAY, MEMBERS REVIEWED THE FEEDBACK OF THE ORGANISATIONS TO THE INVITATION TO ENLIST THEIR SUPPORT.

THE CHARTER FOR YOUTH, WHICH SETS OUT THE PRINCIPLES AND IDEALS ON YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, OPERATES ON A SYSTEM OF SUBSCRIPTION.

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INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANISATIONS INTERESTED IN PROMOTING THE WELL-BEING OF YOUNG PEOPLE ARE WELCOME TO BECOME SUBSCRIBERS. COPIES OF THE CHARTER ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT ALL DISTRICT OFFICES.

THE COMMISSION ALSO DISCUSSED THE DETAILS OF THE FIRST SUBSCRIPTION CEREMONY SCHEDULED FOR JULY TO MARK THE FORMAL LAUNCHING OF THE CHARTER.

"SINCE THE GOVERNMENT HAS ALREADY TAKEN THE LEAD TO BECOME A SUBSCRIBER, MEMBERS CONSIDER INVITING THE GOVERNOR TO ATTEND THE CEREMONY.

"WE WOULD ALSO SEEK YOUTH PARTICIPATION IN THE CEREMONY. ONE POSSIBILITY IS TO ARRANGE A DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE GOVERNOR AND THE YOUNG PEOPLE," HE SAID.

A REVIEW OF THE ADOLESCENT SUICIDES IN 1991/92 PREPARED BY THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL GUIDANCE AND SUPPORT SERVICES WAS ALSO TABLED AT THE MEETING.

MEMBERS NOTED THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE'S 11 RECOMMENDATIONS TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM AND APPRECIATED THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S EFFORT IN IMPLEMENTING THEM.

"NEVERTHELESS, MEMBERS STRONGLY FELT THAT GOOD CO-ORDINATION BETWEEN GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND NON-GOVERNMENT AGENCIES IS CRUCIAL IN TACKLING THE PROBLEM OF TEENAGE SUICIDES.

"IN THIS REGARD, THE COMMISSION WAS INFORMED THAT THE HEALTH AND WELFARE BRANCH WOULD TAKE UP THE CO-ORDINATING ROLE AND WOULD CAREFULLY FORMULATE THE APPROACH TO TACKLE THIS SUBJECT TOGETHER WITH OTHER YOUTH MATTERS," MR LI SAID.

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE HEALTH AND WELFARE BRANCH WOULD BE INVITED TO BRIEF MEMBERS ON ITS CO-ORDINATION WORK IN DUE COURSE.

MEMBERS ALSO ENDORSED TWO REPORTS ON THE SEMINARS ORGANISED BY THE COMMISSION.

THE SEMINAR ON TEENAGE SUICIDE HELD IN MARCH THIS YEAR FOCUSED ON THE POSITIVE ROLE OF THE MEDIA IN COUNTERING THE PROBLEM.

THE REPORT ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE MEDIA CAN CONTRIBUTE A LOT IN CULTIVATING AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE A POSITIVE ATTITUDE TOWARDS LIFE.

VALUABLE ADVICES FROM THE MEDIA, PARENTS AND THE YOUTHS THEMSELVES HAVE BEEN SOLICITED DURING THE SEMINAR.

"THEY HELP PROVIDE A DEEPER AND WIDER PERSPECTIVE INTO THE PROBLEM," MR LI SAID.

ANOTHER REPORT ON THE INFLUENCE OF THE MASS MEDIA WHICH LISTED EIGHT RECOMMENDATIONS CAN ALSO SERVE AS A VERY USEFUL REFERENCE FOR YOUTH WORKERS AND POLICY MAKERS.

COPIES OF THE REPORT WILL BE SENT TO ALL RELEVANT GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND ORGANISATIONS, INCLUDING THE BROADCASTING AUTHORITY. MEDIA OPERATORS WILL BE ON THE TOP OF THE DISTRIBUTION LIST.

THE WORKING GROUP ON THE INFLUENCE OF MASS MEDIA ON YOUTH LED BY PROFESSOR NELSON CHOW WING-SUN WAS SET UP IN 1991. AN INTERIM REPORT ON THE SEMINAR WAS RELEASED IN JUNE LAST YEAR.

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54 NEW BUILDING PLANS APPROVED IN FEBRUARY  
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THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE OFFICE OF THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT APPROVED 54 NEW BUILDING PLANS IN FEBRUARY.

OF THESE, 13 WERE FOR HONG KONG, 16 FOR KOWLOON AND 25 FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THE APPROVED PLANS INCLUDED 22 FOR APARTMENT, APARTMENT/COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENTS, 13 FOR COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENTS AND 10 FOR FACTORY AND INDUSTRIAL PURPOSES.

DURING THE MONTH, THE OFFICE GAVE CONSENT FOR WORK TO START ON 32 PROJECTS, INVOLVING 38,321 SQUARE METRES OF USABLE DOMESTIC FLOOR AREA AND 57,318 SQUARE METRES OF USABLE NON-DOMESTIC FLOOR AREA.

THE TOTAL DECLARED COST OF NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED DURING THE MONTH WAS ABOUT \$2,679 MILLION. USABLE FLOOR AREAS OF THESE BUILDINGS FOR DOMESTIC AND NON-DOMESTIC USES WERE ABOUT 207,986 SQUARE METRES AND ABOUT 138,772 SQUARE METRES RESPECTIVELY.

IN THE MONTH, THE OFFICE ISSUED 29 OCCUPATION PERMITS - NINE FOR HONG KONG ISLAND, FOUR FOR KOWLOON, AND 16 FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES.

IN ADDITION, 27 DEMOLITION CONSENTS INVOLVING 60 BUILDINGS WERE ISSUED.

THE OFFICE'S CONTROL AND ENFORCEMENT DIVISION RECEIVED 579 COMPLAINTS OF UNAUTHORISED BUILDING WORKS, CARRIED OUT 1,391 INSPECTIONS AND ISSUED 446 REMOVAL ORDERS IN RESPECT OF UNAUTHORISED BUILDING WORKS.

THE DANGEROUS BUILDINGS SECTION OF THE OFFICE INSPECTED 612 BUILDINGS AND OBTAINED ONE EMERGENCY CLOSURE ORDER.

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CRIME VICTIMS GET \$8 MILLION COMPENSATION

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THE CRIMINAL AND LAW ENFORCEMENT INJURIES COMPENSATION (CLEIC) BOARDS PAID OUT \$8.08 MILLION IN COMPENSATION TO VICTIMS OR THEIR DEPENDENTS IN 1991/92, ACCORDING TO THE BOARDS' LATEST ANNUAL REPORT.

THESE PAYMENTS WERE AWARDED FOR 987 CRIMINAL INJURIES CASES AND SIX LAW ENFORCEMENT INJURIES CASES.

THIS BRINGS THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANTS AWARDED TO \$64.07 MILLION SINCE THE INCEPTION OF THE CLEIC SCHEME IN 1973.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARDS, MR ROBERT C TANG, SAID A TOTAL OF 930 APPLICATIONS FOR COMPENSATION WERE RECEIVED IN THE YEAR, REPRESENTING 10.25 PER CENT OF THE 9,075 REPORTED CASES OF CRIMINAL INJURIES.

AMONG THE APPLICATIONS FOR CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION, 670 WERE RELATED TO ASSAULT AND WOUNDING; 198 TO ROBBERY, THEFT AND BURGLARY; 45 TO HOMICIDE, MURDER AND MANSLAUGHTER; THREE TO SEXUAL OFFENCES; 10 TO INJURIES CAUSED BY FALLING OBJECTS AND FOUR TO ARSON.

OF THE APPLICATIONS RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR, 793 WERE REFERRED BY THE POLICE, 107 SUBMITTED BY THE VICTIMS THEMSELVES OR THEIR FAMILIES, AND THE REST REFERRED BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS, MR TANG SAID.

DURING THE PERIOD UNDER REVIEW, THE LARGEST SINGLE PAYMENT WAS \$411,385, AWARDED TO THE DEPENDENT OF A MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN WHO WAS ACCIDENTALLY KILLED DURING A ROBBERY. THE SMALLEST AWARD WAS \$391.

THE SCHEME DOES NOT INVOLVE A MEANS TEST AND IS NON-CONTRIBUTORY. IT IS DESIGNED TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL HELP TO PEOPLE AND THE DEPENDENTS OF PEOPLE, WHO ARE VICTIMS OF VIOLENT CRIMES OR WHO ARE KILLED OR INJURED IN HELPING TO PREVENT CRIME IN HONG KONG.

THE SCHEME ALSO PROVIDES FOR THE PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION WHERE A PERSON IS KILLED OR INJURED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS USING WEAPONS IN THE EXECUTION OF THEIR DUTIES.

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CONCERT TO PROMOTE AIDS AWARENESS

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MORE THAN 800 PEOPLE ATTENDED A CONCERT ON AIDS AWARENESS ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AT THE KWAI FONG METRO PLAZA TODAY (SUNDAY).

THE TWO-HOUR CONCERT KICKED OFF A MAJOR PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN ON AIDS PREVENTION AND AN "ENJOY YOURSELF TONIGHT" SHOW TO BE STAGED ON APRIL 30 (FRIDAY).

A SERIES OF ACTIVITIES, TARGETING AT DIFFERENT COMMUNITY GROUPS, WILL BE CONDUCTED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

BEFORE THE CONCERT, THE AUDIENCE LEARNT MORE ABOUT AIDS THROUGH AN EXHIBITION HELD ON LEVEL 2 OF THE PLAZA.

THEY WERE GIVEN RED RIBBONS AS SOUVENIRS AT THE EXHIBITION.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SAID: "LIKE OTHER COUNTRIES, WE ALSO USE RED RIBBONS AS THE SYMBOL OF OUR CAMPAIGN BECAUSE THEY SIGNIFY CONCERN FOR PEOPLE WITH AIDS AND DETERMINATION TO FIGHT THE DISEASE."

"ONE OF THE OBJECTIVES IN ORGANISING THE CONCERT IS TO HELP THE PUBLIC FOSTER A SUPPORTIVE ATTITUDE TOWARDS THE INFECTED PERSONS.

"IT SHOULD BE REMEMBERED THAT WE ARE FIGHTING THE DISEASE, NOT THE PEOPLE WITH THE DISEASE," THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

A QUIZ ON AIDS WAS CONDUCTED DURING THE CONCERT. AUDIENCE GIVING CORRECT ANSWERS WERE AWARDED PLAYING CARDS PURPOSE-MADE TO SPREAD THE MESSAGE.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF YAN CHAI HOSPITAL, TELEVISION BROADCASTING LIMITED (TVB) AND WARNER MUSIC HONG KONG LIMITED GAVE ACTIVE SUPPORT TO THE CONCERT.

OFFICIATING GUESTS INCLUDED DIRECTOR OF HEALTH, DR S H LEE; DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE, MRS SHELLEY LAU; DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF HEALTH, DR MARGARET CHAN; CHAIRMAN OF YAN CHAI HOSPITAL BOARD, MR WONG CHI-MUK; DIRECTOR OF YAN CHAI HOSPITAL BOARD; MR STAR CHAN IU-SENG; ASSISTANT CONTROLLER, EXTERNAL AFFAIRS DIVISION OF TVB, MS LILY CHAN AND MISS HONG KONG 1992, MISS EMILY LO.

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#### TIME-SETTING SEMINAR

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METROLOGY EXPERTS FROM SIX OVERSEAS COUNTRIES WILL EXCHANGE VIEWS AND EXPERIENCE ON INTERNATIONAL TIME-SETTING AT A SEMINAR ORGANISED BY THE INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT NEXT MONTH.

THE SEMINAR, TO BE HELD FROM MAY 5 TO 7, IS HOSTED BY THE DEPARTMENT'S STANDARDS AND CALIBRATION LABORATORY. DELEGATES COME FROM AUSTRALIA, CHINA, INDONESIA, MALAYSIA, SINGAPORE AND THAILAND.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID THE SEMINAR WOULD PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE DELEGATES TO LEARN THE TECHNIQUES OF TIME AND FREQUENCY MAINTENANCE USING THE GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM (GPS).

THEY MAY ALSO EXCHANGE VIEWS AND EXPERIENCE ON GPS RECEPTION, AND ESTABLISH A SCHEDULE FOR GPS COMMON VIEW INTERCOMPARISON SO THAT THE UNIT OF TIME AND FREQUENCY COULD BE UNIFIED IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION.

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THE STANDARD TIME WE USE DAY TO DAY IS IN FACT THE RESULT OF THE INTERCOMPARISON OF ATOMIC CLOCKS OF MANY COUNTRIES VIA THE GPS SATELLITES," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE GUEST SPEAKER IS DR CLAUDINE THOMAS, HEAD OF THE TIME SECTION OF THE BUREAU INTERNATIONAL DES POIDS ET MESURES (BIPM), THE AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR CO-ORDINATING SUCH INTERCOMPARISONS.

AS PART OF THE SEMINAR PROGRAMME, THE DELEGATES WILL ALSO VISIT THE STANDARDS AND CALIBRATION LABORATORY WHICH IS THE OFFICIAL INSTITUTION RESPONSIBLE FOR HOLDING THE PRIMARY STANDARDS OF MEASUREMENT FOR HONG KONG.

THE LABORATORY'S NON-PROFIT CALIBRATION SERVICE ENABLES LOCAL INDUSTRY TO MAINTAIN PROPER TRACEABILITY FOR THEIR MEASUREMENTS, THUS ENSURING HARMONISATION OF MEASUREMENTS TERRITORY-WIDE AND INTERNATIONALLY.

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28 SEMINARS, COURSES AND WORKSHOPS FOR PRINCIPALS, TEACHERS

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THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT LAST MONTH (MARCH) CONDUCTED A WIDE RANGE OF SEMINARS, COURSES AND WORKSHOPS FOR SECONDARY, PRIMARY AND KINDERGARTEN SCHOOL HEADS, TEACHERS AND STUDENTS.

INCLUDED WERE 12 SEMINARS, 10 COURSES AND SIX WORKSHOPS.

TOPICS DISCUSSED AT THE SEMINARS INCLUDED FOOD HYGIENE, HOW TO IMPLEMENT THE CLASS LIBRARY SCHEME, MANAGEMENT OF AUDIO-VISUAL FACILITIES, SAFETY OF ART AND CRAFT ACTIVITIES, GEOGRAPHY FIELD STUDY. ADVANCED LEVEL ECONOMICS SYLLABUS, COMPUTER AWARENESS AND CENTRALISED SCHEME FOR MUSIC TRAINING.

THERE WERE ALSO COURSES ON SECONDARY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION, PROJECT APPROACH IN TEACHING DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY AT THE SIXTH FORM LEVEL, PRODUCTION OF AUDIO VISUAL MATERIALS, REFRESHER AND IN-SERVICE TRAINING COURSES FOR TEACHER LIBRARIANS, IN-SERVICE COURSES FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL MUSIC TEACHERS IN TSUEN WAN AND KWAI TSING DISTRICT, AND CHINESE COMMUNICATION SKILLS.

WORKSHOPS HELD WERE ON ENCOURAGING READING AMONG LOWER PRIMARY PUPILS, HUMAN RELATIONS AND TEAM BUILDING, INTEGRATED SCIENCE LABORATORY SAFETY, AND THE TEACHING OF OUTDOOR LEARNING IN PRIMARY SOCIAL STUDIES.

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SKILL DRIVING HELPS PROMOTE ROAD SAFETY  
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THE FINAL ROUND OF THE COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT TROPHY OPEN SAFETY DRIVING COMPETITION WAS HELD AT THE VICTORIA PARK TODAY (SUNDAY).

THE COMPETITION WAS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT AND THE INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED MOTORISTS TO PROMOTE ROAD SAFETY THROUGH SKILFUL DRIVING.

THE COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT, MR RAFAEL HUI, WHO ATTENDED THE FUNCTION, SAID ALL COMPETITORS DISPLAYED SAFE AND SKILFUL DRIVING TECHNIQUES WHICH FULLY MATCHES THE THEME OF THE COMPETITION.

THE COMPETITION WAS DIVIDED INTO THE PRIVATE CAR AND THE TAXI SECTIONS, ATTRACTING A TOTAL OF 110 PARTICIPANTS.

THE PRELIMINARY ROUND WAS HELD AT THE KWAI CHUNG SPORTS GROUND ON MARCH 21 WHEN 15 PARTICIPANTS FROM EACH SECTION WERE SELECTED TO ENTER THE FINAL ROUND HELD TODAY.

THE CONTEST TESTED THE DRIVING TECHNIQUE OF THE PARTICIPANTS WITH A CUP OF WATER FIXED ON THE BONNET OF THE VEHICLE. THE ONE WITH THE LEAST SPILLAGE OF WATER AND RETURN TO THE FINISHING POINT WITHIN THE SHORTEST TIME WOULD WIN.

PRIZES FOR WINNERS INCLUDED TROPHIES AND MEDALS, HONGKONG/TOKYO ROUND TRIP AIR TICKETS AND PETROL COUPONS.

THE CHAMPION FOR THE TAXI SECTION WAS MR CHAN TAT-YIN WHILE THE FIRST PRIZE FOR THE PRIVATE CAR SECTION WENT TO MR LAI KWOK-WAI.

DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER, THE PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR TODAY HAS BEEN POSTPONED.

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AFD ANNOUNCES GREEN CONTEST RESULTS  
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THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT (AFD) TODAY (SUNDAY) ANNOUNCED THE RESULTS OF A RECENT CLEAN AND GREEN TREE MATCHING COMPETITION.

FOLLOWING THE DRAW OF WINNING ENTRIES ON FRIDAY, AN EIGHT-YEAR-OLD BOY TONG WAI-MING EMERGED AS THE OVERALL CHAMPION. NG MAN-YEE AND LEE MAN-YEE, BOTH 12-YEAR-OLD GIRLS, LANDED IN THE NUMBER TWO AND THREE SPOTS RESPECTIVELY. SEVEN OTHER CONSOLATION PRIZES WILL BE GIVEN BY THE ORGANISERS LATER.

/THE WINNERS .....

THE WINNERS WERE DRAWN FROM A TOTAL OF 858 CORRECT ENTRIES BY AN AFD ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, MR FRANK C P LAU AND CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNTRY PARKS BOARD'S PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE, MR GEORGE TAN.

COMMENTING ON THE COMPETITION, MR LAU SAID COMMUNITY RESPONSE HAD BEEN ENCOURAGING WITH A TOTAL OF 1,212 ENTRIES RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT AT THE CLOSE OF THE CONTEST LAST MONTH.

MR LAU SAID: "THIS SHOWS THE CLEAN AND GREEN CAMPAIGN THIS YEAR, COMPRISING A NUMBER OF COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SUCH AS THE TREE MATCHING COMPETITION, HAS ACHIEVED ITS MAIN PURPOSE OF PUTTING ACROSS THE GREEN MESSAGE AMONG THE LOCAL POPULATION."

"MORE THAN 15,000 PEOPLE TOOK PART IN THE MANY PROGRAMMES OF THE CAMPAIGN, WHICH MARKED THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY THIS YEAR, DURING THE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS," HE SAID.

MR TAN ALSO PRESENTED PRIZES TO CONSOLATION PRIZE WINNERS OF A PHOTO COMPETITION, ANOTHER MAJOR ACTIVITY OF THIS YEAR'S CLEAN AND GREEN CAMPAIGN.

THE MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER OF KODAK (FAR EAST) LTD WHICH SPONSORED THE PHOTO COMPETITION, MR BENJAMIN KWAN, ALSO PRESENTED PRIZES TO RESPECTIVE WINNERS.

THE ANNUAL CLEAN AND GREEN CAMPAIGN WAS ORGANISED BY AFD'S COUNTRY PARKS AUTHORITY TO INCREASE PUBLIC AWARENESS ON THE IMPORTANCE OF MAINTAINING COUNTRYSIDE.

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HONG KONG FROM A TO Z - FROM ABATTOIRS TO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS, FROM ITS EARLY HISTORY TO ITS EVER-EVENTFUL PRESENT - THE HONG KONG 1993 YEARBOOK WILL MAKE ITS APPEARANCE TOMORROW (MONDAY).

WITH NEARLY 500 PAGES OF TEXT, PHOTOS AND STATISTICS THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT'S ANNUAL REPORT SPOTLIGHTS IN DETAIL ALL ASPECTS OF HONG KONG LIFE AND EVENTS.

AT \$52, HONG KONG 1993 IS A VITAL REFERENCE SOURCE FOR ALL WHO NEED TO KNOW ABOUT HONG KONG, INCLUDING STUDENTS, WRITERS, BUSINESS PEOPLE AND THE GENERAL READERS.

THE REPORT CONTAINS A SPECIAL CHAPTER ON THE GROWING INTERDEPENDENCE BETWEEN HONG KONG AND CHINA, WRITTEN SPECIALLY BY THE DISTINGUISHED SINOLOGIST AND FORMER UNITED STATES CONSUL-GENERAL IN HONG KONG, BURTON LEVIN.

/MR LEVIN'S .....

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MR LEVIN'S ARTICLE "THE HONG KONG-CHINA PHENOMENON" IS SUPPLEMENTED BY A COLOURFUL EASY-TO-FOLLOW ENDPAPER MAP.

THE BOOK'S 26 CHAPTERS ALSO INCLUDE TWO NEW TO THIS YEAR'S EDITION, FOCUSING ON HONG KONG'S EXCITING NEW AIRPORT AND SEA PORT DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.

THE CALENDAR OF EVENTS PROVIDES A CHRONOLOGICAL SUMMARY OF SOME OF THE MAJOR HAPPENINGS IN HONG KONG DURING 1992.

ITS COMPREHENSIVE COVERAGE, SUPPORTED BY NUMEROUS COLOUR ILLUSTRATIONS OF WIDE-RANGING VIEWS OF LIFE AND EVENTS, MAKES THE GOVERNMENT'S ANNUAL REPORT A CONSTANT BESTSELLER.

PUBLISHED IN SEPARATE ENGLISH AND CHINESE EDITIONS, HONG KONG 1993 IS ON SALE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GPO BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE, CENTRAL, AND AT DISTRICT OFFICES AND LEADING BOOK STORES.

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