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FIRST STEP TO TAP WATER RESOURCES

EVERY DROP OF WATER COLLECTED IN HONG KONG FOR DRINKING PURPOSES IS OWED IN PART TO THE HYDROLOGICAL UNIT OF THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT.

HYDROLOGY IS A SCIENCE DEALING WITH THE MOVEMENT, OCCURRENCE AND DISTRIBUTION OF WATER ON AND BENEATH THE LAND SURFACE.

+IN THE PLANNING OF WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT, IT IS NECESSARY TO COLLECT HYDROLOGICAL DATA ON THE POTENTIAL CATCHMENT AREAS,+ SAID MR WONG SHIU-MING, A HYDROLOGIST IN CHARGE OF THE UNIT.

+THEN, ON THE BASIS OF CIVIL ENGINEERING AND HYDROLOGICAL STUDIES, AS WELL AS ECONOMIC ANALYSIS, RESERVOIRS ARE CONSTRUCTED TO STORE 'RAW WATER' COLLECTED FROM VARIOUS CATCHMENT AREAS.

+THE 'RAW WATER', AFTER PASSING THROUGH THE TREATMENT WORKS PROCESS, IS STORED IN SERVICE RESERVOIRS AND EVENTUALLY DISTRIBUTED TO CONSUMERS.+

THE HYDROLOGICAL UNIT, THOUGH LOW-PROFILED, THUS PERFORMS THE INITIAL AND ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS IN WATER RESOURCES PLANNING.

IT ANALYSES DATA ON RAINFALL, RUNOFF, GROUND WATER LEVEL AND SEDIMENTS COLLECTED THROUGH A NETWORK OF SOME 60 HYDROLOGICAL STATIONS AND 120 RAINFALL STATIONS DISTRIBUTED IN VARIOUS CATCHMENT AREAS.

THE UNIT ALSO CONDUCTS HYDROLOGICAL STUDIES ON PARTICULAR NEEDS OF THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT BASED ON THE COLLECTED DATA.

THESE STUDIES COVER, FOR INSTANCE, THE ESTIMATED YIELDS OF EXISTING AND POTENTIAL RESERVOIRS AND CATCHMENTS, AS WELL AS THE RELIABILITY AND ADEQUACY OF THE EXISTING SYSTEMS IN SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES, SAID MR WONG.

+THE TOTAL TAPPED CATCHMENT AREAS IN HONG KONG COMPRISE ONE-THIRD OF ITS LAND AREA. A SMALL PORTION OF CATCHMENTS HAVE NOT YET BEEN EXPLOITED ON ECONOMICAL GROUNDS AS WE NOW HAVE ADEQUATE SUPPLEMENTARY SUPPLY FROM CHINA,+ HE SAID.

THESE UNTAPPED CATCHMENTS INCLUDE AREAS ON LANTAO ISLAND AND IN THE NORTH-WESTERN NEW TERRITORIES.

THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT HAS ONLY CARRIED OUT LIMITED STUDIES ON THE USE OF GROUND WATER RESOURCES.

MR WONG

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MR WONG EXPLAINED THAT LARGE AREAS OF FLAT LAND ARE REQUIRED FOR STORING GROUND WATER AND THE TOPOGRAPHY OF HONG KONG IS SUCH THAT THERE ARE FEW SUCH AREAS LARGE ENOUGH TO PRODUCE ANY APPRECIABLE YIELD.

+EVEN WHERE FLAT LAND EXISTS IN PLACES LIKE FANLING AND YUEN LONG, CARE WOULD BE NEEDED TO EXTRACT GROUND WATER, BECAUSE WITHOUT GOOD RE-CHARGING FROM RAIN WATER OR RIVER FLOW THE SOIL STRUCTURE ON WHICH SETTLEMENTS ARE FOUNDED COULD BE AFFECTED,+ HE SAID.

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SEAWALL FOR RECLAMATION PROJECT

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WORK WILL START SHORTLY ON THE FINAL 120-METRE SECTION OF A SEAWALL FOR THE CHEUNG SHA WAN RECLAMATION STAGE II PROJECT.

THREE EXISTING PIERS AT THE LOCATION WILL BE DEMOLISHED AND A 240-METRE BOUNDARY WALL WILL BE BUILT TO SEPARATE THE PRESENT CHEUNG SHA WAN WHOLESALE FISH MARKET AND ABATTOIR FROM THE RECLAMATION PROJECT.

THE CIVIL ENGINEERING OFFICE OF THE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE SCHEME. WORK IS EXPECTED TO START IN JANUARY 1985 AND TAKE EIGHT MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

WHEN FINISHED, THE STAGE II RECLAMATION PROJECT WILL FACILITATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE WESTERN KOWLOON CORRIDOR AND PROVIDE A SITE FOR THE FUTURE CHEUNG SHA WAN WHOLESALE MARKET.

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EVERY LITTER BIN TELLS A STORY

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HOUSEHOLD REFUSE IS, SURPRISINGLY, AN ECONOMIC INDICATOR, ACCORDING TO MR POON YUE-HOO, STAFF OFFICER (CLEANSING), OF THE CITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

COMMENTING ON THE WORK OF THE CSD'S REFUSE COLLECTION SERVICE, MR POON EXPLAINED: +EVERY YEAR WE DISPOSE OF ABOUT ONE MILLION TONNES OF DOMESTIC REFUSE AND JUNK BUT THE EXACT AMOUNT COLLECTED EACH MONTH SEEMS TO FLUCTUATE WITH THE ECONOMIC CLIMATE. WHEN TIMES ARE GOOD, WE USUALLY GET TO COLLECT MORE REFUSE AS PEOPLE TEND TO BUY MORE AND THROW AWAY MORE. CONVERSELY, WHEN TIMES ARE HARD, PEOPLE BECOME MORE THRIFTY AND THEY ARE LESS LIKELY TO DISCARD THINGS BECAUSE OF THEIR LOWERED PURCHASING POWER.+

/WEATHER ALSO

WEATHER ALSO AFFECTS THE WEIGHT OF THE REFUSE THE 790 CSD DUSTMEN HAVE TO HANDLE. A HEAVY DOWNPOUR, FOR INSTANCE, COULD EASILY ADD MORE THAN A HUNDRED EXTRA TONNES OF RAINWATER TO THE 2 600 TONNES CARTED AWAY DAILY BY THE CSD'S FLEET OF 303 REFUSE COLLECTION VEHICLES.

BUT NEITHER ECONOMIC NOR METEOROLOGICAL FACTORS ARE THE BIGGEST PROBLEM FOR MR POON AND HIS MEN. +OUR BIGGEST HEADACHE IS CAUSED BY THE INCONSIDERATE PEOPLE WHO DUMP THEIR DOMESTIC AND TRADE REFUSE INTO SOME OF OUR 17 188 LITTER BINS, INSTEAD OF LEAVING IT AT THE DESIGNATED REFUSE COLLECTION POINTS (RCPS), + HE SAID.

+WORSE YET, SOME PEOPLE DON'T EVEN BOTHER TO PUT THEIR REFUSE INSIDE THE BINS, BUT JUST SCATTER IT AROUND THE BINS.

+IT SEEMS THAT THE ROOT OF SUCH UNHYGIENIC PRACTICES IS SELFISHNESS AND A LACK OF CIVIC PRIDE AMONG SOME PEOPLE.

+WE DO NOT ENJOY PROSECUTING PEOPLE FOR IMPROPER DUMPING OF REFUSE, BUT SUCH PEOPLE SHOULD KNOW THAT LEAVING HOUSEHOLD REFUSE OUTSIDE LITTER BINS CARRIES A MAXIMUM FINE OF \$5 000 AND SIX MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT, WHILE DUMPING DOMESTIC AND TRADE REFUSE INTO PUBLIC LITTER BINS COULD INCUR A FINE OF \$1 000.+

+THE LITTER BINS ARE MAINLY INTENDED FOR USE BY PEDESTRIANS AND PEOPLE WHO FREQUENT URBAN COUNCIL PARKS TO DEPOSIT THEIR SMALL ITEMS OF INCIDENTAL REFUSE,+ MR POON ADDED.

WHILE THE DEPARTMENT'S 1 266 STAFF WHO ARE INVOLVED IN REFUSE MANAGEMENT ARE VESTED WITH THE POWER OF ARREST OVER LITTERERS, THEY AND MR POON ARE SLIGHTLY ENCOURAGED BY RECENT DEVELOPMENTS.

IN THE FIRST 10 MONTHS OF THIS YEAR, 34 654 CASES OF LITTERING WERE RECORDED COMPARED WITH 37 994 CASES IN THE SAME PERIOD IN 1983.

+WE ARE HAPPY BUT NOT TOTALLY SATISFIED WITH THIS IMPROVEMENT,+ SAID MR POON. +BUT IF OFFENDERS CANNOT BE PERSUADED BY OUR ONGOING PUBLICITY, WE WOULD WELCOME MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REPORTING OFFENCES TO US BY CALLING THE LITTERING HOTLINE OF 5-95555,+ MR POON SAID.

ANOTHER PROBLEM CAUSED BY THE THOUGHTLESSNESS OF A FEW, SAYS MR POON, IS THE FAILURE OF PRIVATE REFUSE COLLECTORS TO DELIVER REFUSE TO DESIGNATED RCPS ON TIME. BECAUSE OF THE VOLUME OF REFUSE AND JUNK THAT MUST BE COLLECTED THROUGH THE NETWORK OF RCPS AND THEIR LIMITED CAPACITY, REFUSE MAY BE DELIVERED ONLY 10 MINUTES BEFORE THE SCHEDULED ARRIVAL TIME OF CSD COLLECTION VEHICLES AT THE RCPS.

HAPPILY, MOST OF THE NUISANCES GENERALLY ASSOCIATED WITH RCPS HAVE BEEN ELIMINATED OR SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCED IN RECENT YEARS THROUGH EFFECTIVE INNOVATIONS, MR POON REPORTED.

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+FOR EXAMPLE, OF THE 52 PERMANENT OFF-STREET RCPS NOW IN SERVICE, 11 HAVE BEEN FITTED WITH A CARBON FILTRATION SYSTEM WHICH SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCES OFFENSIVE SMELL AND DUST NUISANCE.

+ALSO, MOST OF THE 15 ADDITIONAL PERMANENT RCPS TO BE BUILT NEXT YEAR AT A COST OF ABOUT \$1 MILLION EACH, WILL BE FITTED WITH A CARBON FILTRATION SYSTEM,+ SAID MR POON.

LESS COSTLY ARE THE FIBREGLASS SHIELD RCPS WHICH COST AN AVERAGE OF \$10 000 EACH. OF THE 52 TEMPORARY OFF-STREET RCPS NOW IN OPERATION, 41 ARE MADE UP OF FIBREGLASS SHIELDS WHICH PROVIDE A STURDY WALLED-IN ENCLOSURE THAT MINIMISES THE SCATTERING OF REFUSE AND COVERS UP THE UNSIGHTLY PILES OF REFUSE AWAITING DISPOSAL. ADDITIONALLY, 22 NEW TYPE FIBREGLASS RCPS WITH ROOFS WILL BE INSTALLED THIS FINANCIAL YEAR.

+WITH PUBLIC CO-OPERATION, OUR RCPS AND LITTER BINS NEED NOT BE EYESORES,+ SAID MR POON. +I HOPE THE CYNICS WHO SAY THAT HONG KONG PEOPLE HAVE NO CIVIC PRIDE WILL BE PROVED WRONG.+

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I.D. CARD REMINDER FOR WOMEN BORN IN 1951, 1952

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WOMEN BORN IN 1951 AND 1952 ARE REMINDED OF THEIR TURN TO APPLY FOR NEW IDENTITY CARDS BETWEEN TOMORROW (MONDAY) AND SATURDAY (JANUARY 5).

THE EIGHT ISSUE OFFICES OF THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT ARE LOCATED IN WAN CHAI, TSIM SHA TSUI, NGAU TAU KOK, TSUEN WAN, SHA TIN, YUEN LONG, TUEN MUN AND SHEUNG SHUI. THEY ARE OPEN FROM 8 AM TO 9.30 PM DAILY, EXCEPT SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID, +TO AVOID LONG QUEUES ON WEEKDAY EVENINGS, APPLICANTS ARE ADVISED TO COME BEFORE 5 PM.+

+ANYONE WHO WISHES TO VISIT A PARTICULAR ISSUE OFFICE AT A PRE-ARRANGED TIME SHOULD MAKE USE OF THE MAIL-IN APPOINTMENT SERVICE,+ HE ADDED.

APPOINTMENT FORMS ARE AVAILABLE FROM ALL DISTRICT OFFICES AND IMMIGRATION OFFICES. THEY MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE SPECIFIED ISSUE OFFICE AT LEAST 10 DAYS BEFORE THE END OF THE RENEWAL PERIOD.

APPLICANTS ARE ADVISED TO BRING ALONG THEIR OLD I.D. CARDS AND HAVE THEIR PERSONAL PARTICULARS READY, INCLUDING OFFICE AND HOME ADDRESSES IN FULL, WHEN THEY VISIT THE ISSUE OFFICES.

THE SPOKESMAN REITERATED THERE WILL BE NO AMNESTY FOR ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS.

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SEMINAR ON CIVIC EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS

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ABOUT 240 HEADS OF SECONDARY SCHOOLS WILL ATTEND A ONE-DAY SEMINAR ON +CIVIC EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS+ ON FRIDAY (DECEMBER 7) AT GRANTHAM COLLEGE OF EDUCATION IN KOWLOON.

THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR MICHAEL LEUNG, WILL SPEAK AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE SEMINAR, AND THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR Y.T. LI, WILL DELIVER THE CLOSING REMARKS.

GUEST SPEAKERS AND PANELISTS AT THE SEMINAR WILL BE MR ANDREW WONG FROM THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG, THE REV SISTER MARGARET WONG, PRINCIPAL OF ST PAUL'S SECONDARY SCHOOL, AND MR NATHAN MA FROM THE YUEN LONG LUTHERAN MIDDLE SCHOOL.

THERE WILL BE GROUP DISCUSSIONS, PLENARY SESSIONS AND AN OPEN FORUM. SIMULTANEOUS INTERPRETATION WILL BE PROVIDED.

QUESTIONS TO BE RAISED AT THE GROUP DISCUSSIONS INCLUDE:

- * HOW DOES THE GROUP INTERPRET +CIVIC EDUCATION+.
- * HOW CAN CIVIC EDUCATION BE PROMOTED THROUGH THE FORMAL CURRICULUM, THE INFORMAL CURRICULUM, AND THE GENERAL ETHOS OF THE SCHOOLS.
- * WHAT KIND OF SUPPORT CAN BE GIVEN BY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS TO CIVIC EDUCATION IN SCHOOL.
- * WHAT ARE THE GROUP'S RECOMMENDATION ON CIVIC EDUCATION.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR MICHAEL LEUNG, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF A ONE-DAY SEMINAR ON +CIVIC EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS+ FOR HEADS OF SECONDARY SCHOOLS ON FRIDAY (DECEMBER 7) AT 9 AM AT GRANTHAM COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, GASCOIGNE ROAD, KOWLOON,

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE EVENT.

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NET TO TRAP SEA-BORNE REFUSE
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A BOOM TO TRAP SEA-BORNE REFUSE HAS JUST BEEN INSTALLED AS A TRIAL SCHEME AT SILVERSTRAND BEACH IN SAI KUNG.

+IF THE SCHEME PROVES SUCCESSFUL, IT WILL BE EXTENDED TO OTHER PUBLIC BEACHES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES AND ON OUTLYING ISLANDS,+ A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY.

A DAILY AVERAGE OF 150 BASKETS OF REFUSE WAS COLLECTED LAST MONTH BY NTSD CLEANSING WORKERS.

THE BOOM, SPECIALLY DESIGNED FOR USE AT BEACHES, WOULD REDUCE MANPOWER EMPLOYED TO KEEP BEACHES CLEAN, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

IT ALSO SERVES TO DEMARCATATE THE SAFETY BOUNDARY FOR SWIMMERS.

THE \$65 000 BOOM IS MADE OF NYLON NETTING AND HAS 1 100 PLASTIC BALLS TO KEEP IT AFLOAT.

A NUMBER OF GALVANISED IRON PIPES ARE ATTACHED TO THE LOWER PORTION TO KEEP THE NET IN POSITION.

THE TRAPPED REFUSE WILL BE COLLECTED REGULARLY BY CLEANSING WORKERS.

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COMMUNITY CHEST GETS DISTRICT SUPPORT
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A DISTRICT-BASED COMMITTEE TO PROMOTE THE COMMUNITY CHEST HAS BEEN FORMED IN SHAM SHUI PO.

THE COMMITTEE, CALLED +SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT ORGANISING COMMITTEE FOR COMMUNITY CHEST+, IS ESTABLISHED UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE LOCAL DISTRICT OFFICE. IT COMPRISES DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM VARIOUS LOCAL BODIES.

THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR SYLVESTER TSE, SAID THE COMMITTEE WAS CHARGED WITH TWO OBJECTIVES.

+FIRST, IT AIMS TO BETTER COORDINATE ENTHUSIASTIC PERSONALITIES AND ORGANISATIONS IN THE DISTRICT TO SUPPORT AND TAKE PART IN FUND-RAISING ACTIVITIES OF THE CHEST.

+SECOND, IT WILL SERVE AS AN ADDITIONAL PLATFORM WHERE RESIDENTS AND LOCAL ORGANISATIONS CAN MEET TO FOSTER COMMUNITY COHESION,+ HE SAID.

/IN RESPONSE

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IN RESPONSE TO THE INVITATION OF THE COMMITTEE, MORE THAN 700 RESIDENTS FROM 19 LOCAL ORGANISATIONS WILL TAKE PART IN THIS YEAR'S KOWLOON WALK FOR A MILLION, SCHEDULED TO BE HELD ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 2) MORNING IN KWUN TONG.

DONATIONS RAISED BY THE WALKERS WILL BE COLLECTED BY THE COMMITTEE AND PRESENTED TO THE COMMUNITY CHEST LATER.

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SECOND CHINESE MUSIC FESTIVAL STARTS
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THE SECOND CHINESE MUSIC FESTIVAL, ORGANISED BY THE MUSIC OFFICE OF THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT, STARTED TODAY WITH AN OPENING CONCERT AT THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY HALL.

THE FESTIVAL, DECLARED OPEN BY THE DIRECTOR OF URBAN SERVICES, MR GRAHAM BARNES, WILL LAST TILL NEXT SUNDAY (DECEMBER 9).

IN A BRIEF WELCOME SPEECH, MR PATRICK WILLIAMSON, COMMISSIONER FOR RECREATION AND CULTURE SAID THE PROGRAMME WOULD INCLUDE THREE CONCERTS, EIGHT SEMINARS AND 18 MASTER CLASSES.

+TAKING PART WILL BE LOCAL ARTISTES AS WELL AS FIVE MUSICIANS FROM CHINA, THE HONG KONG CHINESE ORCHESTRA, AMATEUR GROUPS AND THE MUSIC OFFICE'S OWN INSTRUCTORS AND TRAINEES,+ HE SAID.

THE CONCERT THIS EVENING INCLUDED PERFORMANCE BY THE HONG KONG YOUTH CHINESE ORCHESTRA, DRUM SOLO, BA-WU SOLO, PIPA SOLO AND SHENG SOLO.

IT ENDED WITH THE ORCHESTRA PLAYING +GLIDING IN THE SKY+, CONDUCTED BY TONG LEUNG-TAK.

DURING THE FESTIVAL PERIOD, THE MUSIC OFFICE INSTRUCTORS' ORCHESTRA WILL GIVE A DEMONSTRATION CONCERT AT THE TSUEN WAN TOWN HALL ON DECEMBER 7 AT 8 PM.

ON SATURDAY (DECEMBER 8), THE HONG KONG CHINESE ORCHESTRA WILL PRESENT A CONCERT AT THE KO SHAN THEATRE AT 8 PM AS AN URBAN COUNCIL PRESENTATION IN SUPPORT OF THE FESTIVAL.

NINE WELL-ESTABLISHED LOCAL AMATEUR CHINESE ORCHESTRAS, TOGETHER WITH MEMBERS OF THE HONG KONG YOUTH CHINESE ORCHESTRA, WILL APPEAR IN THE FINALE CONCERT TO BE HELD AT 8 PM AT THE TSUEN WAN TOWN HALL ON THE FINAL DAY OF THE FESTIVAL.

TICKETS FOR THE DEMONSTRATION CONCERT AND THE FINALE CONCERT AT \$5 EACH ARE ON SALE AT ALL MUSIC CENTRES OF THE MUSIC OFFICE WHERE FREE ADMISSION TICKETS FOR A CANTONESE OPERA PERFORMANCE ON WEDNESDAY (DECEMBER 5) MAY ALSO BE OBTAINED. THE TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR ENQUIRIES IS 0-428127.

TICKETS FOR THE CONCERT BY THE HONG KONG CHINESE ORCHESTRA, AT \$10, \$20, \$30 AND \$40 ARE AVAILABLE AT ALL URBAN COUNCIL COMPUTERISED BOX OFFICES.

THE NUMBER FOR ENQUIRIES IS 3-7213283.

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FESTIVAL OFF TO GOOD START

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THE FIFTH NORTH DISTRICT FESTIVAL GOT OFF TO A GRAND START TODAY (SUNDAY) AS LARGE CROWDS FLOCKED TO THE BURMA LINES CAMP IN FANLING FOR A DAY-LONG CARNIVAL.

THE CARNIVAL BEGAN WITH LION AND UNICORN DANCES, FOLLOWED BY ORIENTAL DANCES, A PARACHUTING DISPLAY AND MUSIC PERFORMANCES.

OTHER EVENTS INCLUDED HORSE-RIDING, ARCHERY, DART GAMES AND TELEMATCHES.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY, THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR ADOLF HSU, SAID THE FESTIVAL HAD BEEN ORGANISED FOR EVERYONE IN THE NORTH DISTRICT.

+AT A TIME OF DEVELOPMENT AND CHANGE IN NORTH DISTRICT, I HOPE THIS FESTIVAL WILL HELP INSTILL A SENSE OF BELONGING AND COMMON IDENTITY AMONG THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY MOVED INTO THE DISTRICT AND THOSE WHO HAVE LIVED HERE FOR MANY YEARS,+ HE SAID.

A WIDE RANGE OF RECREATIONAL, CULTURAL AND SPORTS ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN ORGANISED FOR THE TWO-WEEK FESTIVAL. THEY INCLUDE A CANTONESE OPERA, A CHINESE ORCHESTRA PERFORMANCE, A FOLK SONG CONCERT, VARIETY SHOWS, AN EXHIBITION SOCCER MATCH, A DISCO NIGHT AND A ROLLER-SKATING NIGHT.

TICKETS FOR THE CANTONESE OPERA, THE CHINESE ORCHESTRA PERFORMANCE AND THE DISCO NIGHT ARE ON SALE AT THE NORTH DISTRICT TOWN HALL. ADMISSION TO ALL THE OTHER EVENTS ARE FREE.

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TSUEN WAN SPORTS FESTIVAL CLOSES

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THE SIXTH TSUEN WAN SPORTS FESTIVAL CLOSED THIS (SUNDAY) EVENING WITH A MOTOR-CYCLING DEMONSTRATION BY THE 29TH SQUADRON ROYAL CORPS OF TRANSPORT.

SPEAKING AT THE CLOSING CEREMONY OF THE MONTH-LONG FESTIVAL, THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR ADOLF HSU, SAID: +THE FESTIVAL IS NOT A MERE DISTRICT EVENT, BUT AN ANNUAL GRAND OCCASION IN THE SPORTS CIRCLE OF HONG KONG.+

WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF INTERNATIONAL SPORTS GROUPS, THE STANDARD OF THE FESTIVAL HAD BEEN RAISED, HE SAID.

/+OUTSTANDING SPORTSMEN

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+OUTSTANDING SPORTSMEN IN HONG KONG HAVE ALSO JOINED THE FESTIVAL TO EXCHANGE EXPERIENCE WITH LOCAL RESIDENTS AND YOUNG SPORTSMEN, INSTILLING IN THEM A SENSE OF SPORTSMANSHIP,+ HE SAID.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE FESTIVAL'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, MR CHAU HOW-CHEN, POINTED OUT THAT THE ACTIVITIES OVER THE PAST MONTH HAD BEEN WELL RECEIVED BY LOCAL RESIDENTS.

+THE FESTIVAL ATTRACTED A RECORD HIGH OF MORE THAN 60 000 SPECTATORS THIS YEAR,+ HE SAID.

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CANOE COMPETITION FOR POST-SECONDARY STUDENTS * * * *

THE RECREATION AND SPORTS SERVICE (RSS) OF THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT AND THE HONG KONG CANOE UNION ARE JOINTLY ORGANISING A CANOE COMPETITION IN TAI PO FOR POST-SECONDARY STUDENTS.

THE EVENT WILL BE HELD AT THE DEPARTMENT'S WATER SPORTS CENTRE AT TAI MEI TUK ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 9).

PARTICIPANTS WILL COMPETE UNDER FIVE SECTIONS - MEN'S SINGLES AND DOUBLES, WOMEN'S SINGLES AND DOUBLES AND MIXED. AND THERE WILL BE 250-METRE, 500-METRE AND 3 000-METRE MATCHES.

'STUDENTS CAN FORM INTO TEAMS AND COMPETE FOR THEIR COLLEGES OR UNIVERSITIES,' SAID AN RSS SPOKESMAN.

APPLICANTS MUST BE EXPERIENCED IN CANOEING.

THE COMPETITION IS OPEN TO 300 PARTICIPANTS AND APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED ON A FIRST-COME-FIRST-SERVED BASIS.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE RSS HEAD OFFICE AT WING ON CENTRE IN CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL OR ITS DISTRICT OFFICES.

ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE AT 5-458511.

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MURALS FOR KAI YIP ESTATE

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TWENTY-FIVE VOLUNTEERS TODAY (SUNDAY) TURNED FIVE BRICK-WALLS IN KAI YIP ESTATE INTO PICTURESQUE MURALS OF THE 12 ANIMAL ZODIAC SIGNS OF THE LUNAR CALENDAR.

A DROWSY SNAKE COILING ITSELF FOR A WINTER SLEEP, A COCKEREL WITH MULTI-COLOURED FEATHERS, A CONTENTED MOTHER PIG FEEDING HER FIVE PIGLETS AND OTHER ZODIAC SIGNS WERE PAINTED ON THE WALLS SURROUNDING A BADMINTON COURT NEXT TO KAI YUE HOUSE.

TODAY'S WALL-PAINTING EXERCISE FORMED PART OF THE +PING SHEK-KAI YIP BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT+ ORGANISED BY THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT OFFICE WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE AND THE SHUI ON SEAGULL CLUB - A VOLUNTARY COMMUNITY SERVICES GROUP.

MEANWHILE, MORE THAN 200 PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN WERE BUSY WITH THEIR OWN BEAUTIFICATION PROJECTS AT A NEARBY COVERED PLAYGROUND IN THE ESTATE.

THEY WERE TAKING PART IN A DRAWING COMPETITION WITH A CLEAN AND BEAUTIFUL ENVIRONMENT AS THEIR THEME.

SPONSORED BY THE LOCAL DISTRICT BOARD, THE DRAWING CONTEST WAS ANOTHER HIGHLIGHT OF TODAY'S BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT IN KAI YIP ESTATE.

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SCHOOL SPEECH DAY

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THE TUEN MUN GOVERNMENT SECONDARY SCHOOL WILL HOLD ITS FIRST ANNUAL SPEECH DAY ON WEDNESDAY (DECEMBER 5).

MR LAU WONG-FAT, CHAIRMAN OF THE NEW TERRITORIES HEUNG YEE KUK, WILL ADDRESS THE GATHERING AND MRS LAU WILL PRESENT THE CERTIFICATES AND PRIZES.

GUESTS WILL LATER BE ENTERTAINED TO PERFORMANCES BY THE SCHOOL'S FOLK DANCE CLUB, CHOIR AND PIANO DUETTISTS.

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PUBLIC TOILET FOR TSING YI

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THE BUILDING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PUBLIC TOILET AT CHEUNG CHING ESTATE BUS TERMINUS ON TSING YI.

IT WILL BE A SINGLE-STOREY STRUCTURE WITH CUBICLES FOR THE DISABLED.

WORK IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN IN FEBRUARY 1985 AND BE COMPLETED IN SIX MONTHS.

TENDERS MUST BE ADDRESSED TO THE CHAIRMAN, CENTRAL TENDER BOARD, AND PLACED IN THE SECRETARIAT TENDER BOX IN THE LIFT LOBBY ON THE LOWER GROUND FLOOR OF CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, EAST WING, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, BEFORE NOON ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1984.

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