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POPULARITY OF HONG KONG SHIPPING REGISTRY GROWING
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A TOTAL OF 20 OCEAN-GOING VESSELS WERE REGISTERED IN HONG KONG LAST YEAR, BOOSTING THE TOTAL REGISTER TONNAGE OF OUR PORT BY MORE THAN 55 PER CENT TO 515,198 TONS.

THE NUMBER OF SHIPS ENTERED IN THE REGISTRY, INCLUDING FIVE VESSELS WHICH WERE TRANSFERRED FROM LONDON, IS A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE COMPARED WITH ONLY SIX SHIPS IN 1976.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE MARINE DEPARTMENT SAID THIS KEEN DEMAND FOR BRITISH REGISTRY OF OCEAN-GOING VESSELS IN HONG KONG WAS THE RESULT OF CHANGING CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH AFFECTED INTERNATIONAL SHIPPING.

HE SAID THIS HAD ALSO LED THE DEPARTMENT'S SHIP SAFETY DIVISION TO EXPERIENCE AN EXCEPTIONALLY BUSY YEAR IN 1977. DURING THE YEAR SURVEYORS OF THE DIVISION SPENT 313 SURVEYOR-DAYS CONDUCTING REGISTRY SURVEYS IN SINGAPORE, SOUTH KOREA, JAPAN AND THE UNITED STATES COMPARED WITH A MERE 69 SURVEYOR-DAYS IN 1976.

ANOTHER 1,882 SURVEYOR-DAYS WERE SPENT ON NEWLY CONSTRUCTED, RECONSTRUCTED VESSELS AND GOVERNMENT CRAFT LAST YEAR, COMPARED WITH 831 SURVEYOR-DAYS IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

HE ADDED THAT THE NUMBER OF INSPECTOR-DAYS USED ON INSPECTING LOCAL CRAFT INCLUDING PASSENGER LAUNCHES, FERRIES, MARINE RESTAURANTS, MECHANISED JUNKS AND WATER BOATS SLIGHTLY DROPPED FROM 1976'S 5,961 TO LAST YEAR'S 5,496.

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FOURTH EDITION OF SCIENTIFIC DIRECTORY ON SALE

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THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY HAS ANNOUNCED THAT THE FOURTH EDITION OF THE SCIENTIFIC DIRECTORY OF HONG KONG HAS BEEN PUBLISHED.

THE NEW DIRECTORY IS NOW ON SALE AT \$35 A COPY. IT CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY OR THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF THE GENERAL POST OFFICE BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE, CENTRAL.

THE NEW PUBLICATION IS COMPILED BY THE COMMITTEE FOR SCIENTIFIC CO-ORDINATION HONG KONG, WHOSE CHAIRMAN IS THE DIRECTOR OF ROYAL OBSERVATORY, MR. GORDON BELL. THE FIRST THREE EDITIONS WERE PUBLISHED IN 1964, 1968 AND 1974 RESPECTIVELY.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY SAID THE PURPOSE OF THE NEW EDITION WAS TO PROVIDE UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL EFFORTS UNDERTAKEN LOCALLY IN ORDER TO IMPROVE AND FACILITATE THEIR CO-ORDINATION.

THE NEW EDITION HAS TWO MAIN SECTIONS: A LIST OF SCIENTISTS AND A LIST OF SCIENTIFIC FACILITIES INCLUDING LIBRARIES AND PRECISION MEASUREMENT INSTRUMENTS IN HONG KONG.

A TOTAL OF 967 SCIENTISTS AND 128 ENTRIES OF SCIENTIFIC FACILITIES INCLUDING LIBRARIES ARE INCLUDED IN THE NEW EDITION.

ALTHOUGH THERE IS NO +NATIONAL+ STANDARD LABORATORY IN HONG KONG, THE NEW PUBLICATION ALSO REGISTERS A TOTAL OF 375 PRECISION MEASUREMENT INSTRUMENTS KEPT IN VARIOUS LOCAL SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTES.

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NEW PIER FOR TSO WO HANG PROPOSED

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THE GOVERNMENT INTENDS TO RECLAIM ABOUT 2,200 SQUARE METRES OF FORESHORE AND SEA BED AT TSO WO HANG IN SAI KUNG FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PIER.

THE CONCRETE LANDING WILL BE EXTENDED WHILE THE TIMBER STRUCTURE, WHICH IS DETERIORATING RAPIDLY, WILL BE REPLACED.

THE NEW PIER WILL SERVE MARINE POLICE LAUNCHES AS WELL AS VESSELS TO OFFSHORE ISLANDS AND SETTLEMENTS ON SOUTHERN LEUNG SHUEN WAN CHAU.

THE EXTENT OF THE AREA OF FORESHORE AND SEA BED INVOLVED IS DESCRIBED IN A NOTICE IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE PUBLISHED ON AUGUST 11.

PERSONS HAVING OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSAL SHOULD SUBMIT THEIR OBJECTIONS IN WRITING TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS WITHIN A PERIOD OF TWO MONTHS, FROM AUGUST 11.

THE NOTICE (IN BOTH ENGLISH AND CHINESE) WITH ITS RELATED PLAN CAN BE SEEN ON NOTICE BOARDS POSTED NEAR THE SITE.

THE PLAN SHOWING THE AREA OF FORESHORE AND SEA BED INVOLVED MAY ALSO BE SEEN AT THE PORT WORKS DIVISION, 1ST FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG= THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, 19TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, OR THE DISTRICT OFFICE, SAI KUNG, SAN PO KONG GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 1ST FLOOR, 692 PRINCE EDWARD ROAD, SAN PO KONG, KOWLOON.

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IMMIGRATION BRANCH OFFICE EXTENDS SERVICE

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THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT FROM TUESDAY (AUGUST 15), THE DEPARTMENT'S YUEN LONG OFFICE WILL EXTEND ITS SERVICE TO INCLUDE THE REGISTRATION OF JUVENILE IDENTITY CARDS AND RE-REGISTRATION FOR ADULT IDENTITY CARDS.

PARENTS WHOSE CHILDREN ATTAINING THE AGE OF 11 AND YOUNG PERSONS REACHING 18 CAN APPROACH THE OFFICE FOR REGISTRATION OF JUVENILE AND ADULT IDENTITY CARDS.

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TRAM TRACK WORKS ON KING'S ROAD

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT HAS ANNOUNCED THAT FROM TOMORROW (AUGUST 14) TRAM TRACK RENEWAL WORKS WILL BE CARRIED OUT ALONG THE SECTION OF KING'S ROAD BETWEEN TONG SHUI ROAD AND TIN CHIU STREET.

BECAUSE OF THE RENEWAL WORKS, WHICH ARE EXPECTED TO LAST FOR ABOUT FOUR MONTHS, MOTORISTS TRAVELLING WESTBOUND TOWARDS CAUSEWAY BAY ARE ADVISED TO AVOID THE USE OF THE SECTION OF KING'S ROAD.

MOTORISTS ARE URGED TO USE THE FOLLOWING ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:-

- * FROM KING'S ROAD TURN RIGHT ONTO JAVA ROAD AT THE JUNCTIONS OR MAKE G-TURN VIA MODEL LANE, TSAT TSZ MUI ROAD AND HEALTHY STREET EAST= AND
- * FROM KING'S ROAD TURN LEFT ONTO TSAT TSZ MUI ROAD AND BACK TO KING'S ROAD VIA SHU KUK STREET.

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WATER CUT IN SHEK KIP MEI AND STANLEY

THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN SHEK KIP MEI AREA WILL BE STOPPED FOR SIX HOURS FROM MIDNIGHT TUESDAY (AUGUST 15) TO 6 A.M. ON WEDNESDAY TO FACILITATE LEAKAGE TESTS.

THE AREA TO BE AFFECTED IS BOUNDED BY TAI HANG TUNG ROAD, TONG YAM STREET, WOR CHAI STREET INCLUDING BLOCK NOS. 1 TO 8 OF SHEK KIP MEI ESTATE.

ON THE ISLAND, FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN THE AREA BOUNDED BY STANLEY BEACH ROAD, STANLEY VILLAGE ROAD, STANLEY MOUND ROAD INCLUDING CARMEL ROAD, STANLEY MARKET ROAD AND STANLEY LINK ROAD WILL BE CUT OFF FOR SEVEN HOURS FROM 11 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY (AUGUST 16) TO FACILITATE LEAKAGE TESTS.

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