



# DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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NEW BEACON HILL RAILWAY TUNNEL

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THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TODAY AWARDED A \$78 MILLION CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW BEACON HILL RAILWAY TUNNEL.

THE CONTRACT WAS AWARDED TO AOKI CONSTRUCTION CO. LTD. OF JAPAN.

AT A CEREMONY AT MURRAY BUILDING, THE P.W.D.'S DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT, MR. DAVID STEAD, SIGNED THE CONTRACT ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT, WHILE MR. HIROYOSHI AOKI, PRESIDENT OF AOKI CONSTRUCTION CO. LTD., SIGNED FOR THE CONTRACTOR.

MR. STEAD SAID THAT THE NEW 2.3 KM DOUBLE TRACK TUNNEL WOULD BE CONSTRUCTED TO THE WEST OF THE EXISTING SINGLE TRACK TUNNEL WHICH IT WILL REPLACE.

THE PRESENT TUNNEL HAS BEEN IN USE SINCE 1910 AND ACCOMMODATES THE LAST SECTION OF SINGLE TRACK RAILWAY BETWEEN HUNG HOM AND SHA TIN.

MR. STEAD SAID THAT THE ROUTE FOR THE NEW TUNNEL HAD BEEN CHOSEN TO IMPROVE THE ALIGNMENT OF THE KOWLOON CANTON RAILWAY AND, BY FLATTENING THE GRADIENT FROM SHA TIN STATION, TO SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASE THE CAPACITY OF THE RAILWAY, PARTICULARLY FOR GOODS TRAFFIC.

THE NEW TUNNEL WILL BE ABOUT SEVEN METRE HIGH AND JUST OVER TEN METRE WIDE, ABOUT THE SAME SIZE AS THE TWO LION ROCK ROAD TUNNELS.

MR. STEAD SAID THAT THE HEIGHT IS SUFFICIENT TO ALLOW FOR THE POSSIBLE ELECTRIFICATION OF THE K.C.R.

+THE TUNNEL WILL BE LINED THROUGHOUT WITH CONCRETE WHICH WILL VARY FROM A THICKNESS OF 550 MM NEAR THE ENTRANCE TO 300 MM OVER MOST OF ITS LENGTH, WHERE THE TUNNEL WILL PASS THROUGH SOLID ROCK.+

THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW TUNNEL IS EXPECTED TO TAKE TWO-AND-A-HALF YEARS, HE SAID.

CONTRACTS WILL BE CALLED SOON FOR THE BUILDING OF THE APPROACHES TO THIS NEW GATEWAY TO THE NEW TERRITORIES, AND FOR THE SUPPLY OF NECESSARY RAILS AND OTHER EQUIPMENT.

THE TOTAL COST OF THE PROJECT IS EXPECTED TO BE ABOUT \$97 MILLION.

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A UNIQUE FEATURE OF THE PROJECT WILL BE A PRE-STRESSED CONCRETE BRIDGE INSIDE THE TUNNEL AT THE POINT WHERE IT PASSES OVER ANOTHER TUNNEL CARRYING WATER FROM THE HIGH ISLAND RESERVOIR.

ONLY ONE METRE WILL SEPARATE THE TWO TUNNELS AT THIS POINT.

THE BRIDGE HAS BEEN DESIGNED TO PREVENT THE LOADS AND VIBRATION FROM RAIL TRAFFIC BEING TRANSMITTED TO THE WATER TUNNEL.

MR. STEAD ALSO POINTED OUT THAT THE TRACK WITHIN THE TUNNEL WILL BE SET IN CONCRETE, ELIMINATING THE NEED FOR THE BALLAST AND SLEEPERS USED IN CONVENTIONAL TRACK.

+AS WELL AS OCCUPYING LESS SPACE AND HENCE REDUCING THE SIZE OF THE TUNNEL, THIS FORM OF TRACK IS ALSO EXPECTED TO SHOW SIGNIFICANT SAVINGS IN MAINTENANCE COSTS,+ HE SAID.

SUITABLY QUALIFIED FIRMS WILL SHORTLY BE ASKED TO APPLY FOR INVITATIONS TO TENDER FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF THIS CONCRETE TRACK.

THE TUNNEL HAS BEEN DESIGNED BY THE RAILWAY DIVISION OF THE P.W.D. WHO WILL ALSO SUPERVISE ITS CONSTRUCTION ON BEHALF OF THE KOWLOON CANTON RAILWAY.

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MORE AND BETTER EDUCATION, SAYS HAYE

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SPEAKING AT THE ANNUAL SPEECH DAY AND PRIZE-GIVING AT THE NEW TERRITORIES HEUNG YEE KUK YUEN LONG DISTRICT SECONDARY SCHOOL, MR. COLVYN HAYE, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, DEFENDED THE HONG KONG SCHOOL SYSTEM WHICH IS OFTEN CRITICISED AS BEING STATIC, CONSERVATIVE AND OLD-FASHIONED.

+NO SCHOOL SYSTEM IS PERFECT,+ MR. HAYE SAID, +BUT THE SCHOOL SYSTEM IN HONG KONG IS FUNDAMENTALLY SOUND AND MOVING IN THE RIGHT GENERAL DIRECTION.+

THE GREEN PAPER ON SENIOR SECONDARY AND TERTIARY EDUCATION COULD BE SUMMED UP IN TWO WORDS, MR. HAYE SAID: +MORE+ AND +BETTER+.

THE GOVERNMENT PROPOSAL WAS TO BUILD ON THE EXISTING SYSTEM AND EXTEND THE RANGE OF EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY, WHILE IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF EDUCATION, MR. HAYE DECLARED.

PAYING PARTICULAR TRIBUTE TO THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE YUEN LONG SCHOOL, MR. HAYE SAID THAT IT WAS AN IMPRESSIVE MONUMENT TO THE DEDICATION AND HARD WORK OF THE PRINCIPAL AND STAFF.

IT WAS A MODEL SCHOOL IN MANY RESPECTS. IT WAS ANYTHING BUT STATIC, CONSERVATIVE AND OLD-FASHIONED. TEN MINUTES IN A SCHOOL SUCH AS THIS SHOULD BE ENOUGH TO CONVINCE ANY CRITICS OF THE SYSTEM GENERALLY.

ALTHOUGH THE YUEN LONG SCHOOL HAD A COMPARATIVELY RECENT HISTORY, IT DEMONSTRATED WHAT COULD BE DONE WITH ENERGY, ENTHUSIASM AND DEDICATION.

MR. HAYE TOLD PRIZE WINNERS AND GRADUATES OF THE SCHOOL THAT THEY HAD BEEN WELL EDUCATED TO FACE THE CHALLENGES OF A COMPETITIVE SOCIETY.

HE ADVISED SCHOOL LEAVERS TO LOOK FOR FURTHER EDUCATION IN TECHNICAL INSTITUTES AND IN THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC.

+NOT EVERYBODY CAN BE A LAWYER, A DOCTOR, OR A DENTIST,+ MR. HAYE SAID.

THE FUTURE OF HONG KONG WILL DEPEND ON ITS TECHNICIANS AND TECHNOLOGISTS.

+THERE WILL ALWAYS BE A PLACE FOR THE PROFESSIONS BUT YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN WILL BE NEEDED IN INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE,+ HE ADDED.

MRS. HAYE PRESENTED THE PRIZES AT THE CEREMONY.

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SOUTHERN APPROACH ROADS TO AP LEI CHAU BRIDGE CONTRACT SIGNED  
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THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TODAY LET A \$23 MILLION CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SOUTHERN APPROACH ROADS TO AP LEI CHAU BRIDGE.

THE CONTRACT, WHICH FORMS PART OF THE \$60 MILLION AP LEI CHAU BRIDGE PROJECT, WAS AWARDED TO FOOK LEE CONSTRUCTION CO. LTD. AND WAS FORMALLY SIGNED AT THE P.W.D. HEADQUARTERS THIS (TUESDAY) MORNING.

MR. S. BARDEN, THE PRINCIPAL GOVERNMENT HIGHWAY ENGINEER, WHO SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT, SAID THAT THE WORK WOULD INVOLVE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 900-METRE-LONG ROAD, A SLIP ROAD AND A PEDESTRIAN SUBWAY ON AP LEI CHAU.

WORK FOR THE CONTRACT WILL BEGIN NEXT WEEK AND WILL TAKE 18 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

MR. BARDEN SAID: +THE SOUTHERN APPROACH ROADS WILL BE TIMED FOR COMPLETION AT THE SAME TIME AS THE BRIDGE AND THE NORTHERN APPROACH ROADS, SO THAT THE WHOLE SCHEME CAN BE OPENED TO TRAFFIC BY MID-1979.+

+ON COMPLETION,+ HE SAID, +THE APPROACH ROADS ALONG WITH THE AP LEI CHAU BRIDGE WOULD PROVIDE A DIRECT LINK BETWEEN THE AP LEI CHAU HOUSING ESTATE AND ABERDEEN WHILE THE SLIP ROAD, MEASURING 270 METRES IN LENGTH, WOULD LINK AP LEI CHAU VILLAGE WITH THE SOUTHERN APPROACHES TO THE BRIDGE.

+TO FACILITATE PEDESTRIAN MOVEMENTS, A SUBWAY WILL BE BUILT NEAR THE AP LEI CHAU KAIFONG SCHOOL. FOOTPATHS WILL ALSO BE PROVIDED ON BOTH SIDES OF THE SLIP ROAD AND ALONG THE NORTHERN SIDE OF THE MAIN ROAD,+ HE SAID.

MEANWHILE, WORK IS UNDERWAY ON THE \$32 MILLION AP LEI CHAU BRIDGE AND ITS NORTHERN ROAD CONNECTIONS IN ABERDEEN.

THE 230-METRE-LONG BRIDGE, WHICH WILL CARRY TWO TRAFFIC LANES, WITH A CAPACITY OF ABOUT 1,500 VEHICLES PER HOUR, WILL BE THE FIRST TO LINK HONG KONG WITH ONE OF ITS OFFSHORE ISLANDS.

MR. BARDEN POINTED OUT THAT THE AP LEI CHAU BRIDGE AND THE \$280 MILLION ABERDEEN TUNNEL, WHICH WILL BE COMPLETED BY MID-1980, WILL ALSO PROVIDE A FAST AND DIRECT ROAD LINK FROM AP LEI CHAU TO THE NORTHERN PART OF HONG KONG ISLAND VIA THE ABERDEEN TUNNEL, AND THENCE THROUGH THE CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL TO KOWLOON AND THE NEW TERRITORIES.

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LEGCO MEETING TOMORROW

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THE HON. SECRETARY FOR HOME AFFAIRS, MR. F.K. LI WILL MOVE A MOTION AT TOMORROW'S LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEETING THAT HONG KONG TIME SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE SET AT GMT PLUS 8 THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

MR. LI WILL SPEAK ON THE MOTION DURING WHICH THREE UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS, THE HON. JAMES WU, THE HON. JOHN BREMRIDGE AND THE HON. WONG LAM WILL EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS ON THE ISSUE.

DURING QUESTION TIME THE UNOFFICIALS WILL ASK 19 QUESTIONS.

THE HON. FRANCIS TIEN WILL RAISE TWO QUESTIONS — ONE ON EEC-HK TEXTILE AGREEMENT AND THE OTHER ON THE FUTURE OF THE MULTI-FIBRE ARRANGEMENTS.

THE HON. MRS. KWAN KO SIU-WAH WILL ASK WHETHER THE GOVERNMENT WILL CONSIDER REVIEWING THE OVERALL SITUATION OF BOAT SQUATTERS AND WHETHER THE GOVERNMENT WILL MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE TELEVISION AUTHORITY TO MONITOR ALL PROGRAMMES OF THE THREE COMMERCIAL TELEVISION STATIONS IN VIEW OF THEIR +TREMENDOUS INFLUENCE+ IN THE COMMUNITY, PARTICULARLY ON CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE.

MR. BREMRIDGE WILL ASK WHETHER THE GOVERNMENT WILL ARRANGE FOR A RAPID TRANSLATION OF PRIVATE HIRE CARS INTO LICENSED TAXIS, AND A SUBSEQUENT SHARP INCREASE IN THE GRANT OF NEW TAXI LICENCES TO MEET DEMAND.

OTHER QUESTIONS TO BE RAISED INCLUDE THOSE ON WATER STORAGE SITUATION, THE CONTROL OVER ILLEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS IN PUBLIC PLACES, THE POSSIBILITY OF INSCRIBING ON THE PROPOSED NEW \$1 AND 10-CENT COINS THEIR RESPECTIVE DENOMINATIONS IN CLEAR ARABIC NUMERALS, AND THE PERFORMANCE OF TRAFFIC WARDENS.

DEBATE WILL RESUME ON SEVEN BILLS, THE OFFICIALS AND UNOFFICIALS WILL SPEAK ON FOUR OF THESE BILLS. THESE ARE THE CRIMES (AMENDMENT) BILL 1977, THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (AMENDMENT) BILL 1977, THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION (AMENDMENT)(NO. 3) BILL 1977, AND THE WIDOWS' AND CHILDREN'S PENSIONS BILL 1977.

TWO OTHER BILLS — THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND URBAN SERVICES (AMENDMENT) BILL 1978 AND THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC (AMENDMENT) BILL 1978 — WILL BE INTRODUCED INTO THE COUNCIL FOR FIRST AND SECOND READINGS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

SIR DENYS WILL RE-DEDICATE VICTORIA ROAD MEMORIAL  
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THE ACTING GOVERNOR, SIR DENYS ROBERTS, WILL RE-DEDICATE THE VICTORIA ROAD MEMORIAL AT A CEREMONY TO BE HELD ON THURSDAY (DECEMBER 22) AT 11.30 A.M.

A NEW TIME CAPSULE WITH AN ESTIMATED LIFE OF AT LEAST 10,000 YEARS WILL BE LODGED IN THE PLINTH OF THE MEMORIAL.

THE CONTENTS OF THE ORIGINAL CONTAINER WILL BE PLACED IN THE CAPSULE TOGETHER WITH CONTEMPORARY ITEMS INCLUDING SOME OF THOSE PRODUCED TO MARK THE SILVER JUBILEE OF QUEEN ELIZABETH II.

THE MEMORIAL WILL BE RELOCATED AT THE JUNCTION OF MOUNT DAVIS ROAD AND VICTORIA ROAD IN WESTERN DISTRICT.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND REPORTERS AND PHOTOGRAPHERS TO COVER THE EVENT.

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FIRST COMMUNITY HALL ON THE ISLAND OPENS

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URBAN COUNCILLOR, MR. BROOK BERNACCHI, SAID TODAY HE WAS PLEASED THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS ESTABLISHING COMMUNITY HALLS TO PROVIDE RESIDENTS IN PUBLIC HOUSING WITH CONVENIENT ASSEMBLY PLACES FOR MEETINGS, DISCUSSIONS AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES.

HE WAS OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT'S HING WAH COMMUNITY HALL, THE FIRST OF ITS KIND ON HONG KONG ISLAND.

MR. BERNACCHI ALSO NOTED THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS ASSUMING A MAJOR ROLE IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WORK.

+IT IS THROUGH THE INVOLVEMENT OF THE PEOPLE IN PROMOTING THE WELL-BEING OF THE ESTATE THAT THE RESIDENTS COULD BUILD UP A SPIRIT OF MUTUAL RESPECT, CONCERN AND CO-OPERATION - ALL AIMED TOWARDS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COHESIVE COMMUNITY,+ HE SAID.

ON THE TASK UNDERTAKEN BY THE ESTATE COMMUNITY WORKERS, MR. BERNACCHI SAID THAT IT WOULD NOT BE AN EASY JOB TO INVOLVE RESIDENTS, WITH VASTLY DIFFERENT BACKGROUNDS AND WAYS OF LIFE, TO ADAPT TO THE NEW SURROUNDINGS.

THE HING WAH COMMUNITY HALL IS THE FOURTH ONE RECENTLY COMPLETED AS PART OF A PROJECT AIMED AT PROMOTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT. THE OTHER THREE ARE LOCATED AT LEK YUEN, LEI MUK SHUE AND LAI KING ESTATES.

APART FROM PROVIDING RESIDENTS WITH DIRECT SERVICES SUCH AS GUIDANCE AND TUITION FOR STUDENTS, STAFF OF THE COMMUNITY HALLS ALSO ENGAGED THEMSELVES IN ACTIVE LIAISON WORK WITH THE LOCAL COMMUNITY.

FACILITIES OF EACH HALL, WHICH INCLUDE A STAGE, CHANGING ROOMS AND CONFERENCE ROOM SUITABLE FOR HOLDING EXHIBITIONS, SOCIAL GATHERINGS AND THEATRICAL PERFORMANCES, ARE AVAILABLE FREE OF CHARGE TO YOUTH GROUPS, RELIGIOUS BODIES AND OTHER CIVIC ORGANISATIONS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

TWO NT DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARDS TO HOLD  
FIRST MEETING TOMORROW  
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THE LAST TWO INAUGURAL MEETINGS OF A SERIES FOR THE SEVEN  
NEWLY CREATED NEW TERRITORIES DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARDS WILL TAKE  
PLACE TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) MORNING.

THE TAI PO DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD WILL START ITS MEETING  
AT 10 A.M. AT THE TAI PO DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE YUEN LONG  
DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD WILL MEET AT 11.15 A.M. AT THE YUEN  
LONG DISTRICT OFFICE.

THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR. DAVID AKERS-JONES  
WILL ATTEND BOTH THE MEETINGS AND ADDRESS THE MEMBERS.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO  
COVER BOTH MEETINGS.

PRESS TRANSPORT WILL BE PROVIDED. A GOVERNMENT VAN AM 2088  
WILL LEAVE FROM BEHIND THE TSIM SHA TSUI POST OFFICE AT 9.15 A.M.  
TOMORROW. THE VAN WILL TAKE THE PRESS PARTY FIRST TO TAI PO  
DISTRICT OFFICE AND THEN TO YUEN LONG DISTRICT OFFICE.

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NEW BOOK OPENS UP TEMPLES

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A NEW BOOK IN ENGLISH ON THE TEMPLES OF HONG KONG HAS JUST BEEN PUBLISHED AND IS AVAILABLE NOW FROM THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE AND LEADING BOOK SELLERS AT \$20 PER COPY.

ENTITLED '+THIS IS HONG KONG: TEMPLES+', IT IS THE FIRST IN A NEW SERIES AND THE FIRST BOOK ABOUT TEMPLES FOR MANY YEARS TO BE PUBLISHED IN ENGLISH FOR NON-CHINESE READERS.

THE AUTHOR, JOYCE SAVIDGE, SPENT FIVE MONTHS VISITING TEMPLES ALL OVER HONG KONG, TALKING TO TEMPLE KEEPERS, PRIESTS AND WORSHIPPERS.

THERE ARE SOME 600 TEMPLES IN HONG KONG. HALF ARE BUDDHIST, ABOUT 200 ARE TAOIST AND THE REST ARE A MIXTURE OF BOTH. THESE LAST TEMPLES ARE THE ONES GENERALLY FREQUENTED BY THE PUBLIC. BUT EVEN SO, GETTING INFORMATION ABOUT THESE, OR ANY OTHER KIND OF TEMPLE, WAS NOT EASY.

'+I FOUND THAT INITIALLY CHINESE PEOPLE WERE VERY RELUCTANT TO TALK ABOUT THEIR BELIEFS+', SAID MRS. SAVIDGE. '+I THINK THIS IS VERY SAD. I THINK THEY FEEL THAT WESTERNERS WILL THINK THEM OLD-FASHIONED OR SUPERSTITIOUS.

IT WAS DIFFICULT TO GET ANYTHING OUT OF THEM+.

ONCE SHE WENT INTO THE SUBJECT MORE DEEPLY, SAID MRS. SAVIDGE, SHE FOUND THAT THIS RELUCTANCE BEGAN TO LESSEN AND YOUNGER PEOPLE WERE MORE WILLING TO SPEAK ABOUT THEIR BELIEFS.

'+IN CONTRAST TO WESTERN FORMS OF WORSHIP I FOUND THERE WAS A DEFINITE INFORMALITY ABOUT TEMPLE WORSHIP. ANYBODY CAN GO IN AT ANY TIME, FIND A SPACE AND PRAY.+

DURING HER VISITS TO TEMPLES IN HONG KONG, KOWLOON, THE NEW TERRITORIES AND OUTLYING ISLANDS, MRS. SAVIDGE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY A PHOTOGRAPHER AND THE 123-PAGE BOOK IS PACKED WITH MORE THAN 130 COLOUR PHOTOGRAPHS OF TEMPLES, GODS AND DEITIES.

IN HER RESEARCH SHE WAS GREATLY ASSISTED BY THE CHINESE TEMPLES COMMITTEE - IN PARTICULAR BY MR. LEUNG MAN-WAI WHO WAS, AT THE TIME THE BOOK WAS BEING WRITTEN, TREASURER, BUT HAS NOW RETIRED.

APART FROM HER VISITS MRS. SAVIDGE CARRIED OUT EXTENSIVE RESEARCH AND IN THIS SHE WAS AIDED BY THE HOME AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT, TAOIST AND BUDDHIST ORGANISATIONS AND NUMEROUS MONASTERIES.

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FESTIVE FUN FOR THE HANDICAPPED  
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THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT WILL BE ORGANISING A CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR TRAINEES OF THE ABERDEEN REHABILITATION CENTRE AND THE KAI CHI CHILDREN'S CENTRE TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) AFTERNOON.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN OF PO LEUNG KUK, MRS. KITTY SIU HON-SUM, ALONG WITH PARENTS OF THE TRAINEES, WILL ATTEND THE PARTY STARTING FROM 2.30 P.M. AT THE ABERDEEN REHABILITATION CENTRE, WELFARE ROAD, WONG CHUK HANG.

VOLUNTEERS FROM SACRED HEART CANOSSIAN COLLEGE AND ABERDEEN BAPTIST CHURCH WILL PERFORM DANCES, ACROBATICS, AND A STAGE DRAMA DURING THE OCCASION.

THE KAI CHI CENTRE PROVIDES BOTH DAY AND RESIDENTIAL TRAINING FACILITIES FOR 140 MENTALLY RETARDED CHILDREN AGED FROM SIX TO 15, WHILE THE ABERDEEN REHABILITATION CENTRE, WITH A CAPACITY OF 255, OFFERS SOCIAL AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING AS WELL AS RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES FOR ALL CATEGORIES OF DISABLEMENT.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:  
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YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT'S CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR TRAINEES OF THE ABERDEEN REHABILITATION CENTRE AND THE KAI CHI CHILDREN'S CENTRE TOMORROW AT 2.30 P.M. IT WILL BE HELD AT THE ABERDEEN REHABILITATION CENTRE, WELFARE ROAD, WONG CHUK HANG.

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SEMINAR ON PAINTING  
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A SEMINAR ON THE TEACHING OF PAINTING WILL BE HELD BETWEEN 9.30 A.M. AND 1 P.M. ON FRIDAY (DECEMBER 23), AT THE GRANTHAM COLLEGE OF EDUCATION IN KOWLOON.

ORGANISED BY THE ART SECTION OF THE ADVISORY INSPECTORATE, THE SEMINAR AIMS TO INTRODUCE NEW APPROACHES IN TEACHING METHODS AND UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION ON THE SUBJECT. IT WILL ALSO PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ART TEACHERS TO EXCHANGE IDEAS AND DISCUSS MATTERS OF COMMON INTEREST.

MR. KWOK CHIU-LEUNG, INSPECTOR (ART), EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, WILL INTRODUCE THE SPEAKERS AT THE SYMPOSIUM. TALKS AND DISCUSSIONS TO BE CONDUCTED IN CANTONESE, WILL CENTRE AROUND THE USE OF COLOUR, FIGURES, AND FANTASY.

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HOLIDAY ARRANGEMENTS FOR GOVERNMENT  
OUT-PATIENT CLINICS  
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SIX GOVERNMENT OUT-PATIENT CLINICS WILL REMAIN OPEN FROM 9 A.M. TO 1 P.M. DURING THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS (DECEMBER 25, 26 AND 27).

THEY ARE THE VIOLET PEEL POLYCLINIC AND THE SHAU KEI WAN ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB CLINIC ON HONG KONG ISLAND= THE KWUN TONG ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB CLINIC, THE YAU MA TEI ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB CLINIC AND THE ROBERT BLACK HEALTH CENTRE IN KOWLOON= AND THE LADY TRENCH POLYCLINIC, TSUEN WAN IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

ALL OTHER GOVERNMENT OUT-PATIENT CLINICS AND EVENING CLINICS WILL BE CLOSED DURING THIS PERIOD.

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TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENT  
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THE SECTION OF NEW STREET BETWEEN HOUSE NO. 8 AND QUEEN'S ROAD WEST WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC BETWEEN 10 P.M. AND 6 P.M. DAILY FROM DECEMBER 25 TO DECEMBER 29.

THIS TEMPORARY ARRANGEMENT IS TO FACILITATE SLOPE REMEDIAL WORKS.

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE SET UP TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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