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CONCERT TO RAISE FUNDS FOR IYDP

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AN APPEAL TO THE PUBLIC AND THE MASS MEDIA FOR THEIR CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR IYDP ACTIVITIES WAS MADE TODAY (SATURDAY) BY DR HARRY FANG, CHAIRMAN OF THE CENTRAL CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF DISABLED PERSONS.

SPEAKING AT A PRESS CONFERENCE TO ANNOUNCE A FUND-RAISING CONCERT FOR IYDP, DR FANG SAID MORE THAN 200 ACTIVITIES HAD BEEN ORGANISED DURING THE YEAR.

+THESE ACTIVITIES ARE PRIMARILY AIMED AT INCREASING PUBLIC UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT DISABILITY IS, PROMOTING AN AWARENESS OF THE PROBLEMS IT MAY BRING AND THE REHABILITATION SERVICES AVAILABLE. THROUGH THIS PUBLIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN, WE AIM TO INSTIL A CORRECT ATTITUDE AMONG THE ABLE-BODIED TOWARDS THE DISABLED, OF THEIR ABILITY TO LEARN, TO RECEIVE TRAINING AND TO ENGAGE IN ECONOMICALLY USEFUL OCCUPATIONS,+ DR FANG SAID.

+ALL THESE ACTIVITIES, I AM HAPPY TO SAY, HAVE MET WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE PUBLIC,+ HE ADDED.

HE DISCLOSED THAT MORE PROGRAMMES WOULD BE ORGANISED IN THE COMING MONTHS INCLUDING THE OUTSTANDING DISABLED PERSONS AWARDS, THE MENTAL HEALTH CAMPAIGN, INTERNATIONAL INVITATION GAMES FOR HANDICAPPED CHILDREN, A WATER CARNIVAL AND A TALENT SHOW.

DR FANG THANKED RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG AND THE SHATIN LIONS CLUB FOR ORGANISING A FORTHCOMING CONCERT TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THE RUNNING OF SUCH PROGRAMMES.

DISCLOSING THE DETAILS OF THE CONCERT, MR CHU PUI-HING, HEAD OF CHINESE PROGRAMME SECTION, RTHK, SAID THE CONCERT SCHEDULED TO BE HELD ON JUNE 27 AT THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY HALL, KOWLOON WILL BE PRODUCED BY RTHK AS ONE OF ITS MAJOR COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROJECTS.

MR RAYMOND NG, HEAD OF RADIO 2, SAID HIGHLIGHTS OF THE CONCERT WOULD INCLUDE A WHEEL-CHAIR DANCE BY STUDENTS OF THE PRINCESS ALEXANDRA RED CROSS RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL, A FILM SHOW TO INTRODUCE THE LIFE OF DISABLED PERSONS IN HONG KONG, AND A SONG SPECIALLY COMPOSED FOR THE IYDP, TO BE SUNG BY MICHAEL KWAN.

THE CONCERT WILL BE TRANSMITTED LIVE ON RADIO 2 AND WILL FEATURE PERFORMANCES BY OTHER FAMOUS SINGERS INCLUDING TERESA CHEUNG, BOBBY CHAN, SAM HO AND CANDICE YU.

MR WILLIAM SIU WING-HONG, PRESIDENT OF THE LIONS CLUB OF SHA TIN, SAID THE CONCERT WAS EXPECTED TO RAISE \$50 000 TO \$80 000. ABOUT 150 FREE ADMISSION TICKETS WOULD BE DISTRIBUTED TO DISABLED PERSONS THROUGH THE CCCIYDP.

TICKETS AT \$80, \$100 AND \$120 AND V.I.P. TICKETS AT \$500 EACH WILL BE ON SALE AT THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY HALL, KOWLOON, AS FROM TOMORROW (SUNDAY).

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SPECIAL REVIEW ARTICLE ON MARRIAGES FROM 1976 TO 1980
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THE APRIL 1981 ISSUE OF THE HONG KONG MONTHLY DIGEST OF STATISTICS CONTAINS A SPECIAL REVIEW ARTICLE ON +MARRIAGES IN HONG KONG, 1976 - 1980+, DESCRIBING THE MARRIAGE TRENDS AND CHARACTERISTICS OF THE BRIDEGROOMS AND BRIDES IN THOSE YEARS.

THE NUMBER OF MARRIAGES CONTRACTED INCREASED STEADILY FROM LESS THAN 40 000 IN 1976 TO OVER 51 000 IN 1980.

OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF 216 821 MARRIAGES CONTRACTED BETWEEN 1976 AND 1980, ABOUT 86 PER CENT WERE FIRST MARRIAGES BETWEEN BACHELORS AND SPINSTERS.

POST-REGISTRATIONS OF CHINESE CUSTOMARY MARRIAGES AND MARRIAGES CONTRACTED IN OTHER COUNTRIES CONSTITUTED SOME 11 PER CENT OF MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE PERIOD.

RE-MARRIAGES OF WIDOWED AND DIVORCED PEOPLE ACCOUNTED FOR LESS THAN 4 PER CENT OF TOTAL MARRIAGES.

MOST OF THE PEOPLE MARRYING FOR THE FIRST TIME WERE BETWEEN 20 AND 29 YEARS OF AGE.

THERE WERE VERY FEW MARRIAGES AT AGES BELOW 20 AND AFTER 45 FOR MALES, AND AT AGES 35 AND OVER FOR FEMALES.

THE AVERAGE AGE AT FIRST MARRIAGE FOR BOTH MALES AND FEMALES INCREASED STEADILY DURING THE PAST FIVE YEARS, INDICATING A GENERAL TREND TOWARDS LATE MARRIAGE.

AS A CONSEQUENCE OF THE RECENT INFLUX OF IMMIGRANTS, WHO WERE PREDOMINANTLY YOUNG, THE NUMBER OF PERSONS OF MARRIAGEABLE AGE INCREASED RAPIDLY. THIS EFFECT OF IMMIGRATION COUPLED WITH THE CHANGE IN THE AGE STRUCTURE OF THE POPULATION IN THE COMING YEARS WILL LEAD TO A FURTHER INCREASE IN THE POPULATION AT MARRIAGEABLE AGE.

THE NUMBER OF MARRIAGES IS THEREFORE EXPECTED TO INCREASE IN THE FUTURE YEARS.

THE APRIL 1981 ISSUE OF THE HONG KONG MONTHLY DIGEST IS NOW AVAILABLE FOR SALE IN THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE AT CONNAUGHT PLACE.

10 000 LOANS MADE BY FISH FUND
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AN AGREEMENT FOR THE 10 000TH LOAN MADE UNDER THE FISH MARKETING ORGANISATION LOAN FUND WILL BE SIGNED ON MONDAY (JUNE 15) BETWEEN THE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES, MR JOHN RIDDELL-SWAN AND THE SHAU KEI WAN (SHEK MIU) MECHANISED SMALL LONG LINER FISHERMEN'S CREDIT COOPERATIVE SOCIETY.

THE LOAN WILL BE ISSUED TO MR HO NGAU, A FISHERMAN MEMBER OF THE SOCIETY. MR HO WILL BE THE 10 000TH BORROWER IN THE LOAN FUND, HAVING SUCCESSFULLY APPLIED FOR A \$70 000 LOAN TO REPAIR THE ENGINE OF HIS VESSEL AND TO PURCHASE FISHING GEAR.

THE LOAN FUND WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1946 AND IS ADMINISTERED BY THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND THE SIGNING CEREMONY TO BE HELD IN THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT, IN ROOM 1404, 14TH FLOOR, CANTON ROAD GOVERNMENT OFFICES AT 393 CANTON ROAD, KOWLOON AT 9.45 AM ON MONDAY. MR HO WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW BY MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES.

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SCOUTS SEA ACTIVITIES CENTRE OPENED AT TAI LAM CHUNG
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A SEA ACTIVITIES CENTRE AT TAI LAM CHUNG WAS OPENED TODAY (SATURDAY) BY MRS JANE AKERS-JONES, WIFE OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THE CENTRE, WHICH WILL BE OPERATED BY THE SCOUTS ASSOCIATION OF HONG KONG, HAS BEEN NAMED AFTER THE VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE SCOUTS ASSOCIATION NEW TERRITORIES REGION, MADAM LEUNG SING-TAK, WHO DONATED \$50 000 TOWARDS THE COST OF THE PROJECT.

A DONATION WAS ALSO MADE BY THE GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES FUND.

THE CENTRE IS SITUATED ON A 280 SQUARE METRE SITE BY THE SIDE OF THE TAI LAM CHUNG RIVER WHICH WAS GRANTED BY GOVERNMENT.

IT INCLUDES A 93 SQUARE METRE BUILDING CONSISTING OF OFFICES AND CONFERENCE AND STORE ROOMS.

FACILITIES FOR UP TO 80 PEOPLE INCLUDE CANOEING AND DINGHY SAILING.

THE CENTRE IS OPEN FOR USE BY SCOUTS AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS. ALSO AT TODAY'S OPENING CEREMONY WERE MADAM LEUNG - THE DISTRICT OFFICER TUEN MUN, MR BILLY LAM - THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, SCOUTS ASSOCIATION OF HONG KONG, MR H.C. MA - AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ASSOCIATION'S CAMP SITE AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE, MR CHAU CHAM-SON.

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PLAN FOR NEW SUPREME COURT IN THREE YEARS
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THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT INTENDS TO INVITE TENDERS SHORTLY FROM PRE-QUALIFIED CONTRACTORS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW SUPREME COURT AT QUEENSWAY.

CONSTRUCTION IS EXPECTED TO START LATER THIS YEAR AND THE ENTIRE PROJECT WILL BE COMPLETED IN ABOUT THREE YEARS.

THE NEW SUPREME COURT WILL BE A 22-STOUREY BUILDING COMPRISING A SIX-STOUREY PODIUM AND A 16-STOUREY TOWER BLOCK.

THE TOWER BLOCK WOULD HOUSE 36 COURTS AND ANCILLARY ACCOMMODATION, A PWD SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE PODIUM WILL CONSIST OF REGISTRAR'S CHAMBERS, THE SUPREME COURT LIBRARY, THE SUPREME COURT REGISTRY, DIVORCE AND PROBATE REGISTRIES, GENERAL AND PERSONNEL REGISTRIES, ACCOMMODATION FOR THE BAR ASSOCIATION AND THE LAW SOCIETY AND A HOLDING UNIT FOR THE PRISONS DEPARTMENT. IT WILL EVENTUALLY LINK UP WITH A PROPOSED GOVERNMENT OFFICE BLOCK ON AN ADJOINING SITE.

GROUP 'C' CONTRACTORS AND OVERSEAS CONTRACTORS IN THE BUILDING WORKS CATEGORY OF THE LIST OF APPROVED CONTRACTORS OR OVERSEAS CONTRACTORS ARE INVITED TO APPLY FOR PRE-QUALIFICATION.

APPLICATIONS FOR INCLUSION ON THE LIST MUST REACH THE PRINCIPAL GOVERNMENT ARCHITECT OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, 12TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG BEFORE 12 NOON ON FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 1981.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THIS CONTRACT MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE PRINCIPAL GOVERNMENT ARCHITECT.

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HONG KONG CHILDREN'S ART WORK FOR LONDON
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HONG KONG CHILDREN WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY OF DISPLAYING THEIR ART WORK AT AN EXHIBITION IN LONDON AT THE END OF THIS YEAR.

THE EXHIBITION, ORGANISED BY THE COMMONWEALTH INSTITUTE, WILL BE HELD FROM DECEMBER 3, 1981 TO JANUARY 3, 1982 AND WILL FEATURE SELECTED CHILDREN'S ART WORK FROM COMMONWEALTH COUNTRIES.

SCHOOLS HAVE BEEN ASKED TO SEND THEIR ENTRIES TO THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT FOR SELECTION NOT LATER THAN JULY 8. ALL ENTRIES SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE INSPECTOR (ART), CULTURAL CRAFTS CENTRE, EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, 4 PAK FUK ROAD, 5TH FLOOR, HONG KONG.

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+ANY KIND OF ART OR CRAFT WORK COMPLETED DURING 1981 WILL BE ACCEPTED, INCLUDING PAINTING (CHINESE AND WESTERN), PRINTS, BATIK, FABRIC DESIGN, CARVING, COLLAGE, WEAVING, CERAMICS AND OTHERS. THERE IS NO RESTRICTION ON THE THEME OF THE WORK,+ AN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID.

THERE WILL BE THREE AGE GROUPS: SIX TO NINE, 10 TO 13 AND 14 TO 18. ALL ENTRIES SHOULD BE CLEARLY LABELLED IN ENGLISH AND CHINESE WITH THE NAME OF THE ENTRANT, AGE, SCHOOL AND SCHOOL ADDRESS.

ONLY FIVE ENTRIES FROM EACH AGE GROUP WILL BE SELECTED FOR THE EXHIBITION AT THE COMMONWEALTH INSTITUTE IN LONDON. UNSELECTED WORK WILL BE RETURNED TO SCHOOLS.

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CHAI WAN TALK ON PROTECTION OF WOMEN

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THE EASTERN DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE WILL HOLD A PUBLIC TALK ON PROTECTION OF WOMEN AT 8.30 PM ON MONDAY, JUNE 15, AT THE CHAI WAN COMMUNITY CENTRE.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE CITY DISTRICT OFFICE (EASTERN) SAID THE OBJECTIVE OF THE TALK IS TO EDUCATE WOMEN IN CHAI WAN ON HOW TO AVOID A RAPE OR SEXUAL ATTACK IN THE FIRST PLACE AND ON THE FOLLOW-UP SERVICES OPEN TO THEM SHOULD THE WORST REALLY HAPPEN.

+THIS TALK WILL BE TARGETED TOWARDS WORKING WOMEN, HOUSEWIVES AND TEENAGE GIRLS, AND WOMEN RESIDENTS IN CHAI WAN ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND,+ HE SAID.

SPEAKERS AT THE TALK WILL INCLUDE DR FANNY CHEUNG AND MRS EDITH HORSFALL FROM THE WAR-ON-RAPE COMMITTEE (A SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE HONG KONG COUNCIL OF WOMEN), MISS NANCY CHAN FROM THE FAMILY PLANNING ASSOCIATION, MRS HUNG WONG LAI-BUN FROM THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT AND A WOMAN OFFICER FROM ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE FORCE.

TO COINCIDE WITH THE TALK, SOME 20 000 LEAFLETS ON THE +DOS AND DON'TS+ OF SEXUAL ATTACKS AND REMEDIAL SERVICES WILL BE DISTRIBUTED, TOGETHER WITH A CRIME INFORMATION FORM ENABLING VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ATTACKS TO REPORT TO THE POLICE IN WRITING ANY PREVIOUS INCIDENTS, TO NEARLY ALL HOUSEHOLDS IN CHAI WAN.

THE JUNIOR POLICE CALL, MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES AND ALL OTHER LOCAL ORGANISATIONS AND VOLUNTARY AGENCIES WILL HELP DISTRIBUTE THESE.

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PRISON OFFICERS COMPLETE SOCIAL WORK TRAINING
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TWENTY-THREE ASSISTANT OFFICERS OF THE PRISONS DEPARTMENT WHO COMPLETED AN EXTENSION COURSE ON SOCIAL WORK ORGANISED BY THE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK OF THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC WERE TODAY (SATURDAY) AWARDED CERTIFICATES.

THE TWO-MONTH COURSE, ON A PART-TIME DAY-RELEASE BASIS, WAS DESIGNED TO HELP OFFICERS ON AFTER-CARE DUTIES GAIN THEORETICAL KNOWLEDGE OF SOCIAL WORK TECHNIQUES, HUMAN GROWTH AND BEHAVIOUR, AND SOCIAL PROBLEMS RELEVANT TO THEIR WORK.

AT A CEREMONY HELD TODAY IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE POLYTECHNIC, THE ACTING DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF PRISONS, MR GARTH HYDES, PRESENTED CERTIFICATES TO THE OFFICERS.

MR HYDES SAID AFTER-CARE WAS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT FACTORS IN THE TREATMENT OF OFFENDERS TODAY.

THERE WERE 2 462 PERSONS UNDER AFTER-CARE SUPERVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT, INCLUDING THOSE DISCHARGED FROM DETENTION CENTRES, TRAINING CENTRES, DRUG ADDICTION TREATMENT CENTRES AND CERTAIN YOUNG PRISONERS ON RELEASE FROM PRISON.

THE TRAINING COURSE WOULD BETTER EQUIP THE OFFICERS FOR THEIR DUTIES, MR HYDES SAID.

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PLAN TO REMODEL RAILWAY STATION
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A PORTION OF KOWLOON STATION IS TO BE REMODELLED AS PART OF THE KCR ELECTRIFICATION AND MODERNISATION SCHEME.

THE WORK WILL INCLUDE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW TICKET OFFICE AND ASSOCIATED ALTERATIONS TO PROVIDE FOR THE INCREASED NUMBERS OF PASSENGERS USING KOWLOON STATION AFTER THE INTRODUCTION OF THE NEW ELECTRIC TRAIN SERVICE IN 1982.

IT WILL ALSO INCLUDE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE EXISTING IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS FACILITIES FOR PASSENGERS USING THE THROUGH TRAIN SERVICE TO GUANGZHOU.

TENDERS ARE BEING CALLED BY THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT FOR THE WORK, WHICH IS EXPECTED TO START IN AUGUST AND TAKE SEVEN MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

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SECTIONS OF ISLANDS DISTRICT OFFICE MOVING
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SECTIONS OF ISLANDS DISTRICT OFFICE WILL MOVE FROM INTERNATIONAL BUILDING TO SINCERE BUILDING TOMORROW (SUNDAY).

THE MOVE RESULTS FROM SHORTAGE OF SPACE AND INVOLVES THE ADMINISTRATIVE, DISTRICT BOARD AND LIAISON SECTIONS.

THE NEW OFFICE, TOTALLING 650 SQUARE METRES, IS LOCATED ON THE 16TH FLOOR. IT INCLUDES A 130-SQUARE METRE DISTRICT BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM, A DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS' COMMON ROOM AND AN OFFICE.

THE NEW OFFICE PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICE TELEPHONE NUMBER IS 5-409155.

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WORK ON WATER MAIN
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FRESH AND SALT WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN KWUN TONG WILL BE CUT OFF FOR 11 HOURS FROM 8 PM ON TUESDAY (JUNE 16) TO 7 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR WATER MAIN CONNECTION.

PREMISES TO BE AFFECTED ARE SHUN ON ESTATE, SHUN LEE ESTATE, SHUN CHI YUEN, SHUN LEE TSUEN TEMPORARY HOUSING AREA AND THOSE ALONG LEE ON ROAD.

AT THE SAME TIME, SALT WATER SUPPLY TO CHOI WAN ESTATE IN NGAU CHI WAN WILL ALSO BE INTERRUPTED.

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