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COMPULSORY EXAMINATION OF CARS MANUFACTURED
PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 1971

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT TODAY (SUNDAY) REMINDED MOTORISTS THAT ALL PRIVATE CARS MANUFACTURED PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 1971, WILL REQUIRE A CERTIFICATE OF ROADWORTHINESS BEFORE A NEW VEHICLE LICENCE IS ISSUED.

THE DEPARTMENT'S KOWLOON BAY VEHICLE EXAMINATION CENTRE WILL COMMENCE INSPECTIONS OF THESE VEHICLES FROM FEBRUARY 1, 1982, FOR ISSUE OF THE CERTIFICATES.

TO ALLOW OWNERS SUFFICIENT TIME TO BRING THEIR VEHICLES UP TO STANDARD FOR EXAMINATION, A LEAD-IN TIME OF FOUR MONTHS HAS BEEN ALLOWED.

+THIS MEANS, WITH EFFECT FROM FEBRUARY 1, 1982, NO CAR MANUFACTURED PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 1971, WILL BE ISSUED WITH A VEHICLE LICENCE COMMENCING AFTER MAY 31, 1982, WITHOUT A CERTIFICATE OF ROADWORTHINESS ISSUED BY THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT, + A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID.

+ONLY CERTIFICATES ISSUED WITHIN THE FOUR MONTHS PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE NEW LICENCE WILL BE ACCEPTED, + HE ADDED.

HE ALSO SAID THAT A NEW CERTIFICATE WOULD ALSO BE REQUIRED ON EACH SUBSEQUENT RENEWAL OF THE VEHICLE LICENCE.

A FEE OF \$60 WILL BE CHARGED FOR EACH EXAMINATION.

INSPECTION APPOINTMENT FORMS CAN BE OBTAINED AT ALL TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT'S LICENSING OFFICES AND VEHICLE EXAMINATION CENTRES, AND ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE BY CALLING 3-7597505.

A LEAFLET EXPLAINING DETAILS OF THE NEW EXAMINATION SCHEME WILL BE AVAILABLE SHORTLY.

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SECOND LUNAR NEW YEAR FAIR FOR YUEN LONG

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YUEN LONG WILL HAVE A SECOND LUNAR NEW YEAR FAIR AS A RESULT OF THE HEAVY DEMAND FROM FLOWER TRADERS.

THROUGH THE EFFORTS OF THE GOVERNMENT AND THE HOP YICK FARM MARKET COMPANY, ARRANGEMENTS HAVE NOW BEEN MADE FOR THE SECOND FAIR TO BE HELD AT THE MARKET PLACE AT CASTLE PEAK ROAD NEAR THE EASTERN ROUNDABOUT OF YUEN LONG.

SEVENTY STALLS SELLING FLOWERS WILL BE PUT UP FOR AUCTION ON WEDNESDAY (JANUARY 13) AT 11 AM AT THE OFFICE OF PING SHAN RURAL COMMITTEE, ON NING ROAD, YUEN LONG.

THE UPSET PRICE FOR EACH STALL IS \$50, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT SAID, ADDING THAT THE FAIR WILL BE HELD BETWEEN JANUARY 18 AND 25.

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EVERYTHING MUST BE DONE
TO MAKE YOUTH CENTRES ATTRACTIVE
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EVERYTHING POSSIBLE MUST BE DONE TO MAKE YOUTH CENTRES IN HONG KONG ATTRACTIVE TO AS WIDE A SPECTRUM OF YOUNG PEOPLE AS POSSIBLE, THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MRS ANSON CHAN, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

THIS MUST BE DONE +NOT ONLY THROUGH IMPROVEMENTS TO THEIR PHYSICAL APPEARANCE BUT, MORE IMPORTANTLY, THROUGH A CONTINUING COMMITMENT TO PROVIDING PROGRAMMES WHICH ARE IMAGINATIVE, WELL ORGANISED AND GEARED TO THE NEEDS OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE BEING SERVED,+ SHE SAID.

MRS CHAN WAS SPEAKING AT THE OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE SAILORS' AND SOLDIERS' HOME'S YOUTH CLUB IN WAN CHAI.

THE NURTURING OF YOUNG PEOPLE INTO INDEPENDENT AND RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS, CONFIDENT IN THEMSELVES AND THEIR PRINCIPLES AND READY TO HELP OTHERS LESS FORTUNATE THAN THEMSELVES WAS ONE SURE WAY OF CONTRIBUTING TO THE BUILDING OF A HEALTHY AND COMPASSIONATE SOCIETY, SHE SAID.

THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF HONG KONG FACE ALMOST UNIQUE PRESSURES AND TEMPTATIONS IN THE OVER-CROWDED AND MATERIALISTIC ENVIRONMENT IN WHICH THEY FIND THEMSELVES.

THE DANGERS OF THEIR GROWING UP MOULDED MORE BY A BELIEF IN MONEY AND MATERIAL ACQUISITIONS THAN IN THE IMPORTANCE OF PERSONAL FULFILMENT AND RELATIONSHIPS ARE VERY REAL.

AGAINST THIS BACKGROUND, THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT WAS CONSCIOUS OF +THE NEED TO RE-SHAPE OUR POLICIES IN THE FIELD OF YOUTH AND COMMUNITY WORK TO ENSURE THAT TODAY'S MORE SOPHISTICATED AND BETTER EDUCATED YOUNGSTERS ARE ATTRACTED TO SOCIAL WELFARE YOUTH CENTRES AND GENUINELY INTERESTED IN AND MOTIVATED BY THE PROGRAMMES THEY PROVIDE,+ MRS CHAN SAID.

REFERRING TO THE SAILORS' AND SOLDIERS' HOME'S YOUTH CLUB, MRS CHAN SAID PLANNING FOR THIS CENTRE BEGAN IN EARLY 1979 AND ITS DOORS FIRST OPENED IN FEBRUARY LAST YEAR, BRINGING TO 117 THE TOTAL NUMBER OF YOUTH CENTRES OPERATING THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY.

WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE JOCKEY CLUB, THE CENTRE HAS MADE A MOST PROMISING BEGINNING.

IT ALREADY HAS A MEMBERSHIP OF SOME 600 YOUNG PEOPLE AND NUMEROUS INTEREST GROUPS HAVE FORMED AND ACTIVITIES ORGANISED.

/MRS CHAN

MRS CHAN ANNOUNCED THAT WITH EFFECT FROM THIS MONTH, THE CENTRE WAS BEING RUN WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF A RECURRENT SUBVENTION FROM THE GOVERNMENT.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO THE SAILORS' AND SOLDIERS' HOME, MRS CHAN SAID THE YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE AND COMMITMENT TO THE TRUE CHRISTIAN SPIRIT OF CARE AND CONCERN FOR OTHERS HAD HELPED TO ESTABLISH THE HOME AS A POSITIVE PRESENCE IN WAN CHAI.

IT WAS MOST GRATIFYING, SHE SAID, THAT THE HOME WAS LOOKING TO THE FUTURE AND TO THE ROLE IT WILL CONTINUE TO PLAY IN PROMOTING THE WELFARE OF THE COMMUNITY OF WHICH IT HAS BEEN A PART FOR SO LONG.+

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SCHOOL MEDICAL SERVICE SCHEME GETTING POPULAR * * * *

THE SCHOOL MEDICAL SERVICE SCHEME IS BECOMING INCREASINGLY POPULAR EACH YEAR AS EVIDENCED BY THE RISING RATE OF ENROLMENT, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE SCHOOL MEDICAL SERVICE BOARD SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

ALMOST 230 000 PUPILS ARE NOW PARTICIPATING IN THE SCHEME, COMPARED WITH 192 000 A YEAR AGO, REPRESENTING AN INCREASE OF 19 PER CENT.

THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT THE STEADY INCREASE IN ENROLMENT OVER THE YEARS IS DUE TO A GREATER AWARENESS AMONG SCHOOL PRINCIPALS AND PARENTS OF THE BENEFIT OF REGULAR MEDICAL ATTENTION TO CHILDREN.

HE EXPLAINED THAT THE SCHEME, WHICH IS VOLUNTARY AND HEAVILY SUBSIDISED BY THE GOVERNMENT, IS DESIGNED TO MAKE AVAILABLE MEDICAL CONSULTATION AND TREATMENT TO STUDENTS FROM PRIMARY ONE TO FORM THREE AT A PRICE EVERY PARENT CAN AFFORD.

UNDER THE SCHEME, A PUPIL IS REQUIRED TO CONTRIBUTE ONLY \$5 PER YEAR FOR WHICH HE MAY GET FREE MEDICAL CONSULTATION FROM A PRIVATE PRACTITIONER FROM THE DATE OF ENROLMENT.

AT PRESENT, THERE ARE 200 PRIVATE DOCTORS TAKING PART IN THE SCHEME, EACH RECEIVING \$55 PER YEAR FOR EVERY PUPIL ALLOCATED TO HIM.

IN THE LAST FINANCIAL YEAR, THE GOVERNMENT'S SUBSIDY AMOUNTED TO \$6 MILLION, AND IN VIEW OF THE INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF STUDENT PARTICIPANTS AND THE AMOUNT OF GOVERNMENT'S CONTRIBUTION, IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE SUBSIDY WOULD EXCEED \$11 MILLION THIS YEAR, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

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COUNTRY PARKS SOUVENIR BADGES ON SALE
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A NEW SERIES OF ATTRACTIVE SOUVENIR BADGES FOR FOUR COUNTRY PARKS IS NOW ON SALE TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

THE NEW BADGES ARE FOR THE KAM SHAN, MA ON SHAN AND LION ROCK COUNTRY PARKS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES AND THE TAI TAM COUNTRY PARK ON HONG KONG ISLAND.

THEY ARE OBTAINABLE AT \$1.50 EACH FROM THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT ON THE 12TH FLOOR OF THE CANTON ROAD GOVERNMENT OFFICES IN KOWLOON, AND THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS SALES CENTRE ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF THE GENERAL POST OFFICE IN HONG KONG.

THE BADGES ARE ALSO ON SALE AT THE REFRESHMENT KIOSKS IN THE SHING MUN COUNTRY PARK, THE ABERDEEN COUNTRY PARK AND THE CLEAR WATER BAY COUNTRY PARK WHICH ARE IN CLOSE PROXIMITY OF THE FOUR COUNTRY PARKS FOR WHICH THESE BADGES WERE DESIGNED.

PRODUCED BY THE COUNTRY PARKS AUTHORITY, THE BADGES ARE AN IDEAL ADORNMENT FOR CASUAL WEAR, ESPECIALLY DENIM GEAR. THEY CAN ALSO BE SEWN ON KNAPSACKS OR ARE SIMPLY COLLECTORS' ITEMS FOR THE ARDENT HIKERS.

THE BADGES SHOW DESIGNS OF THE POPULAR FEATURES OF THE COUNTRY PARKS FOR WHICH THEY ARE FAMOUS.

THE TAI TAM BADGE DEPICTS THE DESIGN OF THE RESERVOIR IN THE AREA.

THE LION ROCK BADGE NATURALLY FEATURES THE SILHOUETTE OF THE LION ROCK, WHILE THE MA ON SHAN VERSION GIVES THE SHAPE OF THE SADDLE-LIKE MASS OF THIS PEAK.

THE LIKENESS OF TWO LONG-TAILED MACAQUE MONKEYS IS TO BE FOUND ON THE KAM SHAN BADGE.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE COUNTRY PARKS AUTHORITY SAID THAT JUDGING FROM THE POPULARITY OF THE FIRST EDITION OF FOUR OTHER BADGES, THE NEW BADGES SHOULD BE WELL RECEIVED.

THE FIRST FOUR BADGES PRODUCED WERE FOR THE PLOVER COVE, LANTAU AND SAI KUNG COUNTRY PARKS AND THE MACLEHOSE TRAIL.

A LIMITED STOCK OF THESE BADGES IS STILL AVAILABLE FOR SALE FROM THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT OUTLET AND THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS SALES CENTRE.

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YUEN LONG COOKED FOOD STALLS FOR AUCTION

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FOUR STALLS AT KIK YEUNG ROAD COOKED FOOD MARKET IN YUEN LONG WILL BE PUT UP FOR PUBLIC AUCTION ON WEDNESDAY (JANUARY 13).

THE AUCTION, WHICH STARTS AT 10 AM, WILL BE HELD AT THE OFFICE OF PING SHAN RURAL COMMITTEE AT ON NING ROAD, YUEN LONG.

THE UPSET PRICE FOR EACH OF THE 18.5-SQUARE-METRE STALL SELLING COOKED FOOD IS \$1 875 PER MONTH.

A SUCCESSFUL BIDDER CAN START OPERATING BUSINESS ON FEBRUARY 1 FOR A CONTRACT PERIOD OF THREE YEARS.

ONLY PERSONS AGED 21 OR ABOVE CAN TAKE PART IN THE AUCTION AND POTENTIAL BIDDERS ARE REQUESTED TO BRING ALONG THEIR IDENTITY CARDS AND FIVE PHOTOGRAPHS.

INTERESTED PERSONS MAY CONTACT THE HAWKERS AND MARKETS SECTION OF YUEN LONG URBAN SERVICES OFFICE ON TELEPHONE 0-792261 EXT. 112 FOR FURTHER DETAILS.

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ANTI-MOSQUITO OPERATION IN NT

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AN EXTENSIVE ANTI-MOSQUITO OPERATION IS BEING LAUNCHED THROUGHOUT THE RURAL AREA AND THE NEW TOWNS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

NINE WORKING TEAMS HAVE BEEN SET UP BY THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT FOR THE EXERCISE.

MORE THAN 100 WORKERS ARE NOW DEPLOYED AT VARIOUS POTENTIAL MOSQUITO BREEDING PLACES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

EQUIPPED WITH SPRAYERS AND INSECTICIDE, GRASS CUTTING AND ROCK REMOVAL TOOLS, THEY WILL TRACK INTO REMOTE AREAS AND CLIMB HILLS TO REACH STREAM COURSES TO SPRAY OIL ON THEM TO PREVENT MOSQUITOES FROM BREEDING.

EFFORTS ARE ALSO BEING MADE IN THE NEW TOWNS TO ELIMINATE ALL MOSQUITO BREEDING GROUNDS DURING THE COURSE OF THE CURRENT CLEAN HONG KONG CAMPAIGN, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NTSD SAID.

RESIDENTS LIVING IN VILLAGES AND IN THE NEW TOWNS ARE URGED NOT TO ALLOW STAGNANT WATER TO FORM IN THEIR AREA. CONSTRUCTION COMPANIES HAVE ALSO BEEN ASKED TO HELP PREVENT THEIR BUILDING SITES FROM BECOMING BREEDING GROUNDS FOR MOSQUITOES, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

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NEW YEAR HOMES CLEAN-UP

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THE HOMES OF 300 ELDERLY RESIDENTS OF SAI KUNG DISTRICT, 35 OF THEM LIVING ON THEIR OWN AND THE REST IN THREE HOMES FOR THE AGED, ARE TO RECEIVE A CLEAN-UP FOR LUNAR NEW YEAR.

THE OPERATION, TO BE CARRIED OUT BY 46 VOLUNTARY WORKERS, IS ORGANISED BY THE SAI KUNG COMMUNITY AND YOUTH OFFICE OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT WITH ASSISTANCE FROM LOCAL SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS, AS PART OF THE DISTRICT'S FESTIVAL FOR THE ELDERLY WHICH STARTED LAST MONTH.

BESIDES THE CLEAN-UP, A FEAST, MEDICAL CHECK-UPS, VISITS AND FILM AND VARIETY SHOWS HAVE ALSO BEEN HELD DURING THE FESTIVAL.

AT PRESENT, THERE ARE ABOUT 2 000 PEOPLE AGED 70 OR OVER IN THE DISTRICT.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN JAVA ROAD

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A SECTION OF JAVA ROAD IN NORTH POINT NEAR ITS JUNCTION WITH HEALTHY STREET WEST WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 10 PM ON TUESDAY (JANUARY 12) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING MORNING FOR CONSTRUCTION WORK OF THE HONG KONG ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR.

DURING THE CLOSURE, WESTBOUND TRAFFIC WILL BE DIVERTED VIA HEALTHY STREET EAST AND KING'S ROAD AND EASTBOUND TRAFFIC MAY USE TIN CHIU STREET AND KING'S ROAD.

AT THE SAME TIME, TRAFFIC ALONG EASTBOUND JAVA ROAD WILL BE ALLOWED TO TURN RIGHT INTO SOUTHBOUND TIN CHIU STREET.

SIGNS WILL BE PUT UP TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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