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SUCCESS ANTICIPATED FOR URBAN DB ELECTIONS

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WITH THE GOOD RESPONSE ALREADY DEMONSTRATED IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, THE SECRETARY FOR CITY AND NT ADMINISTRATION, MR IAN MACPHERSON, IS CONFIDENT THAT NEXT MONTH'S URBAN DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS WILL BE +EQUALLY SUCCESSFUL.+

SPEAKING AT THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD OFFICE OPENING CEREMONY TODAY (SATURDAY), HE SAID ALREADY 47 CANDIDATES HAD REGISTERED YESTERDAY -- THE FIRST DAY OF THE NOMINATION PERIOD WHICH WOULD END ON AUGUST 31.

HE ANTICIPATED THAT, IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS, MORE CAPABLE AND ENTHUSIASTIC MEN AND WOMEN FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN STANDING AS CANDIDATES.

HE SAID THE NT DISTRICT BOARDS, WITH THE ADDITION OF ELECTED MEMBERS SINCE MARCH, HAD BEEN FUNCTIONING EFFECTIVELY AS STATUTORY CONSULTATIVE BODIES IN ENSURING THAT THE LEGITIMATE INTERESTS OF THE PEOPLE WERE BETTER TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT DURING THE PROCESS OF FORMULATING PLANS FOR DEVELOPMENT AND PROVIDING FOR THE NEEDS OF LOCAL COMMUNITIES.

THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION SCHEME HAD COME A LONG WAY SINCE IT WAS FIRST ANNOUNCED TWO YEARS AGO AND PUBLIC RESPONSE HAD BEEN ENTHUSIASTIC, THOUGH IT WAS PREMATURE TO ASSESS THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS AT THIS STAGE, HE ADDED.

+IN ORDER TO MEET THE SPECIAL NEEDS ARISING FROM THE GREATER FOCUS ON CO-ORDINATION AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT THE DISTRICT LEVEL, GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS HAVE MADE CONSIDERABLE EFFORTS EITHER TO ACQUIRE ADDITIONAL RESOURCES OR TO ADJUST THEIR DISTRICT STRUCTURE,+ HE SAID.

ON THE 500-SQUARE-METRE NEW OFFICE, MR MACPHERSON SAID THE IMPROVED ACCOMMODATION WAS NO DOUBT A MILESTONE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD AND ALSO A CONTRIBUTION TO THE LIVELY DISCUSSION OF LOCAL ISSUES.

THE OFFICE, WHICH HAS BEEN IN USE SINCE JUNE, ACCOMMODATES THE BOARD'S SECRETARIAT AND HAS A CONFERENCE ROOM, A SIMULTANEOUS INTERPRETATION BOOTH, PRESS FACILITIES AND AN INTERVIEW ROOM FOR DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS.

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CURTAIN FALLS ON MUSIC CAMP

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A CONCERT WAS HELD THIS EVENING (SATURDAY) TO MARK THE CLOSING OF THE THIRD HONG KONG YOUTH MUSIC CAMP.

SOME 300 YOUNG MUSICIANS, INCLUDING 20 AUSTRALIANS, BRITONS, AMERICANS AND JAPANESE, PERFORMED AT THE FIVE-HOUR FINAL CONCERT HELD AT THE A.C. HALL, KOWLOON.

THE YOUTHS HAD ALL TAKEN PART IN A TWO-WEEK CAMP ORGANISED BY THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT TO IMPROVE THEIR SKILLS IN CHINESE AND WESTERN MUSICAL INSTRUMENTAL PLAYING AS WELL AS IN CHORAL SINGING.

THIS EVENING'S CONCERT WAS STAGED IN TWO PARTS, WITH THE FIRST HALF DEVOTED TO CHINESE AND SYMPHONIC BAND MUSIC AND THE SECOND TO ORCHESTRAL AND CHORAL MUSIC.

FOUR OF THE 10 OVERSEAS MUSICIANS WHO WERE INVITED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO CONDUCT WORKSHOPS, TRAINING AND STUDY SESSIONS ALSO PARTICIPATED IN THE CONCERT AS CONDUCTORS.

CELLIST LEONARD STEHN, CLARINETTIST JOHN DENMAN, AND A CHINESE MAESTRO FROM BEIJING, QIN PENG-ZHANG, CONDUCTED IN THE FIRST HALF.

IN THE SECOND HALF, AUSTRALIAN CONDUCTOR GEORG TINTNER CONDUCTED WORKS BY BEETHOVEN, BRUCKNER AND BRAHMS.

ALSO PERFORMING AT THE CONCERT WERE ELLA KIANG (SOPRANO), PATRICIA ELLEN (CONTRALTO), STEPHEN LLEWELLYN (TENOR) AND NICHOLAS HAYES (BASS BARITONE).

COMMENTING ON THE MUSIC CAMP, THE CAMP DIRECTOR, MR CLIVE OXLEY, SAID THE TWO-WEEKS OF TRAINING FOR THE YOUNG MUSICIANS HAD BEEN AN IMMENSE SUCCESS.

+OUR THANKS GO TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED, ESPECIALLY THE OVERSEAS GUEST MUSICIANS WHO CONTRIBUTED MUCH TO MAKE THE CAMP A SUCCESS,+ MR OXLEY SAID.

+THE CAMPERS WERE ENTHUSIASTIC AND HARD-WORKING, AND I AM SURE THAT THEY HAVE DERIVED CONSIDERABLE PLEASURE AND BENEFIT FROM THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THE CAMP,+ HE ADDED.

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CHILDREN'S CHOIR EXPANDS

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ONE HUNDRED YOUTHS IN SHA TIN HAVE BEEN SELECTED FROM 300 APPLICANTS AS NEW MEMEBERS OF THE DISTRICT BOARD CHILDREN'S CHOIR.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CHOIR, MR GEORGE B. CHAN, SAID AT A TEA RECEPTION TODAY (SATURDAY) FOR THE NEW MEMBERS THAT THE MAIN OBJECTIVE OF THE RECENT RECRUITMENT DRIVE WAS TO STIMULATE CHILDREN'S INTEREST IN MUSIC.

+IT IS A GREAT PITY THAT WE HAD TO TURN AWAY SO MANY ENTHUSIASTIC CHILDREN BECAUSE OF LIMITED RESOURCES. THAT IS WHY WE APPLIED A RELATIVELY STRINGENT VOICE TEST FOR THE APPLICANTS,+ HE SAID.

THIS YEAR, THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD HAS ALLOCATED \$50 000 FOR THE CHOIR, A 25 PER CENT INCREASE OVER LAST YEAR.

+BUT WE HOPE TO HAVE MORE FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM THE DISTRICT BOARD NEXT YEAR BECAUSE WE PLAN TO DIVIDE THE CHOIR INTO JUNIOR AND SENIOR GROUPS, EACH WITH 100 MEMBERS,+ MR CHAN SAID.

THE CHOIR, FORMED IN 1979, HAS GIVEN A NUMBER OF WELL-RECEIVED PERFORMANCES AND STAGED VARIOUS SHOWS IN SUPPORT OF SUCH COMMUNITY PROJECTS AS THE FIGHT CRIME AND CLEAN HONG KONG CAMPAIGNS.

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KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD MEETS ON MONDAY

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THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD AT ITS ELEVENTH MEETING ON MONDAY (AUGUST 9) WILL REVIEW ITS +MEET THE PUBLIC SESSION+ SCHEME IN ORDER TO FURTHER IMPROVE THE BOARD'S COMMUNICATIONS WITH LOCAL RESIDENTS.

THE SCHEME WAS INTRODUCED IN FEBRUARY THIS YEAR IN THE FORM OF INTERVIEWS WITH MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND VISITS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS.

THE BOARD WILL ALSO DISCUSS A +PACKAGE CONCEPT+ FOR THE DISTRICT'S DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES.

+THIS CONCEPT OF GROUPING INTERLINKED PROJECTS TOGETHER HAS PROVED TO BE VERY SUCCESSFUL FOR NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT,+ A SPOKESMAN FOR THE BOARD SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

THE BOARD WILL ALSO REVIEW PROGRESS REPORTS ON ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT, SOCIAL SERVICES AND PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS IN KWUN TONG.

OTHER TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED WILL INCLUDE RECREATION FACILITIES IN SHUN LEE ESTATE, THE DISTRICT'S TWELFTH OPEN DANCE CONTEST, THE PROPOSED KWUN TONG ARTS FESTIVAL AND MID-AUTUMN LANTERN CARNIVAL, AS WELL AS FUNDS AND LOCATIONS FOR THE ERECTION OF THE BOARD'S LOGO.

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COMPETITION PROMOTES INTEREST IN FOLK DANCES

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THE +SWINGING SUMMER+ TV PROGRAMME JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICES AND RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG HAS HELPED PROMOTE INTEREST AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE IN TRADITIONAL DANCES, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE ORGANISERS SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

AS A MAJOR PART OF THE TV PROGRAMME, AN INTER-DISTRICT FOLK DANCE COMPETITION IS BEING HELD WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION.

AFTER VETTING BY ITS OWN DISTRICT OFFICE, EACH OF THE 18 DISTRICTS NOMINATED ONE REPRESENTATIVE TEAM TO TAKE PART IN THE CONTEST.

AFTER PRELIMINARY ROUNDS HELD AT RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG, SIX GROUPS OF SEMI-FINALISTS HAVE BEEN SELECTED TO COMPETE IN THE FINAL TO BE HELD AT TSUEN WAN TOWN HALL ON SEPTEMBER 2.

THESE GROUPS REPRESENT TAI PO, YAU MA TEI, KWUN TONG, SHAM SHUI PO, MONG KOK AND SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

+WE ARE VERY PLEASED WITH THE SUPPORT RENDERED BY THE DISTRICTS. BY HOLDING THE COMPETITION IN FRONT OF TV VIEWERS, WE HOPE THAT THE ACTIVITY WILL BE ABLE TO GENERATE MORE PUBLIC INTEREST IN FOLK DANCES,+ THE SPOKESMAN FOR THE ORGANISERS SAID.

HE ADDED THAT THREE OF THE SIX GROUPS HAD PERFORMED FOLK DANCES OF THEIR CHOICE AT THE FIRST THREE EPISODES OF THE TV PROGRAMME.

A TEAM FROM SHAM SHUI PO HAS DEMONSTRATED A MIAO TRIBE DANCE AT THE FOURTH EPISODE, WHICH WILL BE SCREENED AT TVB-JADE TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AT NOON.

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YOUTHS PLANT MORE TREES IN SHA TIN

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STUDENTS IN SHA TIN HAVE PLANTED MORE THAN 2 500 TREES IN THE NEW TOWN DURING RECENT WEEKS.

THE LATEST PARTICIPANTS IN THIS POPULAR SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME IN SHA TIN WERE A GROUP OF STUDENTS FROM LITTLE FLOWER'S SCHOOL, WHO PLANTED EVERGREEN TREES IN THEIR SCHOOL COMPOUND TODAY (SATURDAY).

THE PROGRAMME HAS BEEN ORGANISED BY THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT AS PART OF ITS EFFORT TO ENCOURAGE YOUTHS IN SHA TIN TO IMPROVE ITS ENVIRONMENT.

STUDENTS TAKING PART IN THE PROGRAMME ARE GIVEN LECTURES AND DEMONSTRATIONS ON TREE PLANTING BY THE RECREATION AND AMENITIES STAFF OF THE SHA TIN URBAN SERVICES OFFICE.

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NEW RESERVOIR FOR KOWLOON BAY
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A NEW FRESH WATER SERVICE RESERVOIR WILL BE CONSTRUCTED IN NGAU CHI WAN BY THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT.

TENDERS FOR THE WORK ARE BEING INVITED.

THE RESERVOIR FORMS PART OF A SCHEME TO IMPROVE WATER SUPPLY TO MEET NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN KOWLOON BAY.

THE RESERVOIR, WHICH WILL BE LOCATED ON A SITE NOW BEING FORMED ON HAMMER HILL, NGAU CHI WAN, WILL HAVE A STORAGE CAPACITY OF 54 000 CUBIC METRES.

WORK ON THE PROJECT WILL START IN NOVEMBER AND WILL TAKE ABOUT 17 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

NEW WATER PUMPING STATION IN NT
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TENDERS ARE BEING INVITED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FRESH WATER PUMPING STATION AT AU TAU IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT SAID THAT THE PROJECT FORMED PART OF STAGE ONE OF A SCHEME FOR THE RECEPTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF ADDITIONAL SUPPLIES OF WATER FROM CHINA OVER THE NEXT 12 YEARS.

HE SAID THAT THE NEW PUMPING STATION WITH A DAILY CAPACITY OF 910 000 CUBIC METRES WOULD BE BUILT ON A SITE 450 METRES SOUTH OF KO PO TSUEN, NEAR AU TAU IN YUEN LONG.

THE PROJECT WILL ALSO INCLUDE THE LAYING OF ABOUT 200 METRES LONG PIPELINE AND ASSOCIATED ROAD AND DRAINAGE WORKS.

CONSTRUCTION WILL BEGIN IN OCTOBER AND IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN ABOUT 30 MONTHS.

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TRAFFIC DIVERSION IN FANLING
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FROM 10 AM ON TUESDAY (AUGUST 10), TRAFFIC ON TAI PO ROAD IN FANLING BETWEEN THE APPROACH ROADS TO WO HOP SHEK AND TONG HANG WILL BE DIVERTED VIA A FLYOVER IN THE VICINITY.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE BUS STOP ON NORTHBOUND TAI PO ROAD NEAR TONG HANG WILL BE CANCELLED.

PASSENGERS ARE ADVISED TO USE THE BUS STOP NEAR THE JUNCTION OF TAI PO ROAD AND THE APPROACH ROAD TO WO HOP SHEK.

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FIRING PRACTICE IN HA TSUEN-CASTLE PEAK RANGE
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FIRING PRACTICE WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE HA TSUEN-CASTLE PEAK RANGE FROM MONDAY (AUGUST 9) TO FRIDAY (AUGUST 13).

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WARNED NOT TO ENTER THE AREA WHEN RED FLAGS ARE HOISTED.

THE PRACTICE SCHEDULE IS:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
MONDAY (AUGUST 9)	9 AM - 6.30 PM
TUESDAY (AUGUST 10)	9 AM - 6 PM
WEDNESDAY (AUGUST 11)	8 AM - 11 PM
THURSDAY (AUGUST 12)	8 AM - 6.30 PM
FRIDAY (AUGUST 13)	8 AM - 6.30 PM

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