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PRIMARY SCHOOLS INVITED TO REGISTER  
FOR ALLOCATION OF JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES  
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THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT HAS AGAIN INVITED ALL PRIMARY SCHOOLS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NEW SYSTEM OF ALLOCATION OF JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES IN 1980 FOR THEIR CURRENT PRIMARY 5 PUPILS.

THE DEPARTMENT HAS SENT CIRCULARS TO ALL SCHOOLS REMINDING THEM OF THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO INFORM PARENTS IF THEY CHOSE NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SCHEME.

THE CLOSING DATE OF APPLICATION FOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS WILL BE OCTOBER 23. THIS SCHEME WAS INTRODUCED IN 1976 TO REPLACE THE SECONDARY SCHOOL ENTRANCE EXAMINATION IN 1978.

AN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT UNDER THE SCHEME PRIMARY 6 LEAVERS OF A PARTICIPATING PRIMARY SCHOOL WOULD HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF CHOOSING THEIR SECONDARY SCHOOL BUT NOT SO FOR NON-PARTICIPANTS.

+SCHOOLS NOT TAKING PART IN THE SCHEME SHOULD CLEARLY INFORM PARENTS OF THE CONSEQUENCE,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

HE ADDED THAT THE DEPARTMENT COULD HELP TO ARRANGE PLACES FOR PUPILS CURRENTLY STUDYING IN PRIMARY 5 OF NON-PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS INTO OTHER SCHOOLS AT PARENTS' REQUEST.

EXPLAINING THE SCHEME, THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT A PRIMARY 6 PUPIL'S CHANCES OF BEING ALLOCATED A SECONDARY SCHOOL OF HIS CHOICE DEPEND ON THE SCHOOL'S INTERNAL ASSESSMENT AT THE END OF HIS PRIMARY 5 YEAR AND AT THE END OF THE FIRST AND TOWARDS THE END OF THE SECOND TERM OF HIS PRIMARY 6 YEAR ON ALL SUBJECTS, EXCEPT PHYSICAL EDUCATION IN ALL SCHOOLS AND BIBLICAL KNOWLEDGE IN SOME SCHOOLS.

TO ENSURE FAIRNESS, PUPILS OF ALL PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS HAVE TO SIT THE DEPARTMENT'S ACADEMIC APTITUDE TEST, RESULTS OF WHICH WILL BE USED TO SCALE AND CONVERT INTERNAL ASSESSMENT INTO AN OVERALL ORDER OF MERIT.

+THE ACADEMIC APTITUDE TEST IS NECESSARY AS DIFFERENT SCHOOLS MAY HAVE DIFFERENT CURRICULUM AND THE STANDARD OF MARKING OR ASSESSMENT MAY VARY,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

UNDER THE SCHEME THE WHOLE OF HONG KONG IS DIVIDED INTO 24 +SCHOOL NETS+ BASED ON THE LOCATION OF PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

IN EACH NET IS A COMPARABLE MIX OF DIFFERENT TYPES OF SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES IN TECHNICAL SCHOOLS, GOVERNMENT SECONDARY GRAMMAR SCHOOLS, AIDED SECONDARY GRAMMAR SCHOOLS, PRIVATE NON-PROFIT-MAKING SECONDARY GRAMMAR SCHOOLS, AND PRIVATE INDEPENDENT SECONDARY GRAMMAR SCHOOLS. PRE-VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS, HOWEVER, ARE NOT LIMITED TO PARTICULAR NETS.

EACH PRIMARY 6 PUPIL HAS A CHOICE OF UP TO 30 SECONDARY SCHOOLS WITHIN HIS NET.

ALL THE PUPILS LISTED IN THE ORDER OF MERIT ARE THEN GROUPED INTO FIVE BANDS AND FED INTO A COMPUTER FOR ALLOCATION OF A PLACE IN A SECONDARY SCHOOL BASED ON PARENTAL CHOICE.

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GOVERNOR PRAISES WORK OF HONG KONG  
CHINESE WOMEN'S CLUB

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THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE, TODAY PRAISED THE HONG KONG CHINESE WOMEN'S CLUB FOR ITS WORK IN PROMOTING THE STATUS OF WOMEN IN HONG KONG AND ASSISTING IN THE REFORM OF DISCRIMINATORY LAWS AND CUSTOMS AFFECTING WOMEN IN MARRIAGE AND SUCCESSION.

SPEAKING AT THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CLUB, SIR MURRAY NOTED THAT THE CLUB HAD ALWAYS EMPHASISED EDUCATION IN ITS COMMUNITY SERVICE, STARTING WITH LITERACY CLASSES AS LONG AGO AS 1948.

+THE MOST RECENT AND VERY TIMELY CONTRIBUTION IS THE NEW SECONDARY SCHOOL AT SHAU KEI WAN WHICH OPENED THIS MONTH,+ SIR MURRAY SAID.

FOLLOWING IS THE FULL TEXT OF THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH AT THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE HONG KONG CHINESE WOMEN'S CLUB TODAY:

+I AM HERE TO CONGRATULATE THE HONG KONG CHINESE WOMEN'S CLUB ON THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF ITS FOUNDATION AND TO THANK PRESENT AND PAST MEMBERS FOR THE GOOD WORK THEY HAVE CARRIED OUT ON BEHALF OF THE COMMUNITY.

+IN ITS COMMUNITY SERVICE YOUR CLUB HAS ALWAYS EMPHASISED EDUCATION, STARTING WITH LITERACY CLASSES AS LONG AGO AS 1948. THE MOST RECENT AND VERY TIMELY CONTRIBUTION IS THE NEW SECONDARY SCHOOL AT SHAU KEI WAN WHICH OPENED EARLIER THIS MONTH.

+I AM HAPPY TO LEARN THAT THE CLUB INTENDS TO ASSIST OLDER PEOPLE BY ESTABLISHING AN OPEN-DAY CARE CENTRE FOR THEM.

+IN ADDITION TO ITS CONTRIBUTION TO HONG KONG'S SOCIAL SERVICES, YOUR CLUB HAS DONE MUCH OVER THE YEARS TO PROMOTE THE STATUS OF WOMEN IN HONG KONG AND TO ASSIST IN THE REFORM OF DISCRIMINATORY LAWS AND CUSTOMS AFFECTING WOMEN IN MARRIAGE AND SUCCESSION.

+THESE ARE ACHIEVEMENTS WHICH YOUR CLUB IS ENTITLED TO LOOK UPON WITH PRIDE AND SATISFACTION AND I AM SURE THAT YOU WILL CONTINUE THIS TRADITION OF PUBLIC SERVICE INTO THE DECADE AHEAD.+

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RECLAMATION IN SAI WAN HO TO BENEFIT FERRY COMMUTERS  
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FERRY COMMUTERS IN THE SAI WAN HO AREA OF HONG KONG ISLAND ARE TO BENEFIT FROM GOVERNMENT PLANS TO RECLAIM MORE THAN 15 HECTARES OF FORESHORE AND SEA BED.

DETAILS OF THE DEVELOPMENT PLANS WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

THE INTENTION IS TO RECLAIM A TOTAL OF 15.44 HECTARES WHICH WILL PROVIDE FOR TWO NEW FERRY PIERS, A NEW WATERFRONT ROAD, A BUS TERMINUS, CONCOURSE AREAS FOR THE NEW FERRY SERVICES, AREAS FOR LIGHT INDUSTRIAL PURPOSES AND OPEN SPACE.

ONE OF THE NEW FERRY PIERS WILL REPLACE THE EXISTING PIER AT HING MAN STREET AND THE OTHER WILL PROVIDE A NEW VEHICULAR SERVICE FOR THE AREA.

THE EXTENT OF THE AREA INVOLVED WILL BE DESCRIBED IN THE GAZETTE NOTIFICATION. ALL PERSONS HAVING OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSAL, OR ANY CLAIM OF PRIVATE RIGHT, SHOULD SUBMIT THESE OBJECTIONS AND/OR CLAIMS IN WRITING TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS WITHIN TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THE GAZETTE NOTIFICATION.

THE NOTICE, IN ENGLISH AND CHINESE, WITH THE RELATED PLAN, IS POSTED ON BOARDS NEAR THE SITE.

THE PLAN SHOWING THE AREA OF FORESHORE AND SEA BED CAN ALSO BE SEEN AT THE PORT WORKS DIVISION, FIRST FLOOR, OR THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, 19TH FLOOR, BOTH IN MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG.

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SPECIAL TRAINS TO SHA TIN RACE-COURSE  
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THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY WILL OPERATE FOUR SPECIAL PASSENGER TRAINS TO SHA TIN RACE-COURSE ON SATURDAY (OCTOBER 14).

THESE SPECIAL NON-STOP TRAINS WILL LEAVE THE KOWLOON STATION IN HUNG HOM AT 12.15 P.M., 12.31 P.M., 12.57 P.M. AND 1.10 P.M. RESPECTIVELY.

ON THE RETURN JOURNEY, THERE WILL BE FOUR SPECIAL TRAINS TO CARRY PASSENGERS BACK FROM THE RACE-COURSE TO KOWLOON.

IN ADDITION, K.C.R. WILL RE-ROUTE TWO OF ITS SCHEDULED TRAINS VIA THE RACE-COURSE STATION AT 4.31 P.M. AND 6.42 P.M. TO PICK UP PASSENGERS.

THE TIME-TABLE OF THESE SPECIAL TRAINS WILL BE DISPLAYED AT ALL RAILWAY STATIONS AND THE JOCKEY CLUB'S OFF-COURSE BETTING CENTRES.

A K.C.R. SPOKESMAN REMINDED PEOPLE GOING TO THE RACE-COURSE TO BOOK THEIR TICKETS FOR THESE SPECIAL TRAINS AT THE VARIOUS OFF-COURSE BETTING CENTRES.

THE TIME SCHEDULES OF NORMAL TRAINS OPERATING BETWEEN KOWLOON AND LO WU STATIONS BETWEEN 11 A.M. AND 11 P.M. ON SATURDAY HAVE BEEN SLIGHTLY ADJUSTED.

THE REVISED TIMETABLES OF SCHEDULED TRAINS BETWEEN 11 A.M. AND 11 P.M. ON SATURDAY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

FROM KOWLOON STATION: 11.09 A.M., 12 NOON, 1.31 P.M., 2.19 P.M., 3.07 P.M., 3.54 P.M., 5.07 P.M., 5.38 P.M., 6.54 P.M., 7.46 P.M., 8.32 P.M., 9.21 P.M. AND 11 P.M.

FROM LO WU: 10.52 A.M., 11.51 A.M., 12.51 P.M., 1.43 P.M., 3 P.M., 3.38 P.M., 4.35 P.M., 5.48 P.M., 6.52 P.M., 7.25 P.M., 8.27 P.M. AND 9.28 P.M.

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TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF QUEEN'S PIER AND OLD KCR PIER  
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THE MARINE DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT QUEEN'S PIER WILL BE CLOSED FOR THREE HOURS FROM 3 P.M. TO 6 P.M. ON SATURDAY (OCTOBER 14) TO FACILITATE THE OPENING CEREMONY FOR THE THIRD FESTIVAL OF ASIAN ARTS WHICH TAKE PLACE AT EDINBURGH PLACE.

DURING THE CLOSURE PERIOD ALL CRAFT WILL BE DIVERTED TO BLAKE'S PIER.

THE DEPARTMENT ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT ON SUNDAY (OCTOBER 15) THE OLD KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY PIER AND QUEEN'S PIER WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL MARINE TRAFFIC FROM 9 A.M. TO 11 A.M. TO FACILITATE THE ANNUAL CROSS HARBOUR SWIMMING RACE.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT URGED SHIPMASTERS, HARBOUR PILOTS AND COXSWAINS OF LOCAL CRAFT NAVIGATING IN THE CENTRAL HARBOUR AREA DURING THE RACING PERIOD TO PROCEED WITH CAUTION AND TO GIVE CONSIDERATION TO CONTESTANTS.

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AIR MAIL SERVICES TO ISRAEL SUSPENDED  
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THE POST OFFICE ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT DUE TO A POSTAL STRIKE IN ISRAEL ALL AIR MAIL LETTER AND PARCEL DESPATCHES TO THE COUNTRY WILL BE SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

HOWEVER, SURFACE LETTERS AND PARCELS TO ISRAEL ARE NOT AFFECTED.

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