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KEEP HK CLEAN CAMPAIGN NEEDS COMMUNITY'S SUPPORT

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TO MAKE THE KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN CAMPAIGN A LASTING SUCCESS, THE FULL BACKING OF THE COMMUNITY IS NEEDED, THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR DAVID FORD, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

OFFICIATING AT THE CLEAN HONG KONG DAY OPENING CEREMONY AT THE EDINBURGH PLACE, SIR DAVID APPEALED TO ALL TO MAKE AN EFFORT TO HELP KEEP THE NEIGHBOURHOOD CLEAN.

"EVERY TIME WE PITCH LITTER INTO A BIN WE WILL BE ADDING TO THE IMPETUS OF THE CAMPAIGN," HE SAID.

"WHILST OUR STREETS ARE NOW MORE PRESENTABLE THAN BEFORE TO VISITORS FROM ABROAD, MUCH REMAINS TO BE DONE WITH LITTER BUGS.

"I AM PLEASED TO SEE THAT VIGILANT ENFORCEMENT WILL BE A KEY ELEMENT OF THIS YEAR'S CAMPAIGN. WE MUST NOT BE COMPLACENT, QUITE A NUMBER OF 'LAP SAP CHUNGS' REMAIN AND THEY MUST BE CAUGHT," HE ADDED.

THE CLEAN HONG KONG DAY IS A MAJOR EVENT TO START OFF THE COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT SCHEME OF THIS YEAR'S KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN CAMPAIGN.

REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE 19 DISTRICTS, YOUTH AND COMMUNITY GROUPS, CORPORATE SPONSORS, ARTISTES AND DISC JOCKEYS ATTENDED THE OPENING CEREMONY.

DURING THE CEREMONY, SIR DAVID, TOGETHER WITH OTHER OFFICIATING GUESTS AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE 19 DISTRICTS, TOOK PART IN A SYMBOLIC CLEAN-UP.

THIS WAS FOLLOWED BY A CLEAN-UP GAME PARTICIPATED BY DISTRICT BOARD REPRESENTATIVES, COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB MEMBERS, DISC JOCKEYS AND ARTISTES.

THE CEREMONY WAS BROADCAST LIVE ON COMMERCIAL RADIO 1.

ALSO SPEAKING AT THE CEREMONY, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT URBAN COUNCIL/REGIONAL COUNCIL KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN STEERING COMMITTEE, MR TONG KAM-BIU, SAID THE AIM OF THE CLEAN HONG KONG DAY WAS TO SOLICIT EXTENSIVE PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT TO KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN AND TO PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC SPIRITED ORGANISATIONS AND COMPANIES TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE CAMPAIGN.

AS FOR THIS YEAR'S CAMPAIGN, MR TONG SAID THE PUBLICITY STRATEGY WAS TO STRESS THAT LITTERING WOULD NOT BE TOLERATED AND WOULD BE PUNISHED.

"TO THIS END BOTH THE URBAN AND REGIONAL COUNCILS ARE EXAMINING HOW ENFORCEMENT CAN BE STEPPED UP AND DETERRENCE INCREASED.

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"IN THIS CONNECTION, WE ARE STUDYING A RANGE OF OPTIONS INCLUDING FIXED PENALTY TICKETS. OUR AIM WILL BE A SYSTEM THAT LEADS TO GENUINE DETERRENCE AND YET IS RELATIVELY EASY TO ADMINISTER AND AT THE SAME TIME AVOIDS UNNECESSARY CONFRONTATION," HE SAID.

MR TONG INTRODUCED THE NEW MASCOT FOR THE CAMPAIGN, THE "DRAGON OF CLEANLINESS", A CARTOON FIGURE DRESSED IN A SMART GREEN WORKING SUIT WITH A BROOM IN HIS HAND.

"ALTHOUGH THE MASCOT LOOKS AMUSING, THERE IS A SERIOUS INTENTION BEHIND THE RETIREMENT OF 'LAP SAP CHUNG'.

"THE 'DRAGON OF CLEANLINESS' FOLLOWS FROM OUR EFFORTS TO ENCOURAGE THE COMMUNITY TO PITCH-IN," HE SAID.

OTHER OFFICIATING GUESTS AT TODAY'S CEREMONY WERE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE URBAN COUNCIL, MR H.M.G. FORSGATE; CHAIRMAN OF THE REGIONAL COUNCIL, MR CHEUNG YAN-LUNG; MEMBER OF THE JOINT UC/RC KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN STEERING COMMITTEE, MR POON CHIN-HUNG; DIRECTOR OF URBAN SERVICES, MR JAMES SO; AND ACTING DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL SERVICES, MISS JACQUELINE WILLIS.

DURING THE DAY, SEVERAL DISTRICT CLEAN-UP ACTIVITIES ORGANISED BY VARIOUS DISTRICT BOARDS IN SUPPORT OF THE CLEAN HONG KONG DAY WILL BE HELD.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

A PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN AT THE OPENING CEREMONY AND THE FULL TEXT OF THE SPEECHES BY THE CHIEF SECRETARY AND MR TONG KAM-BIU ARE AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION FROM THE GIS NEWSROOM.

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84,044 PRIMARY 6 PUPILS ALLOCATED FREE SECONDARY 1 SCHOOL PLACES
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ALL 84,044 PUPILS PARTICIPATING IN THE SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES ALLOCATION SYSTEM HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED SECONDARY 1 PLACES IN GOVERNMENT, AIDED OR PRIVATE SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

THE NUMBER INCLUDES 2,962 PUPILS (3.52 PER CENT) WHO HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN APPLYING FOR DISCRETIONARY PLACES.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (SUNDAY) THAT 38,963 (46.36 PER CENT) WERE ALLOCATED ACCORDING TO THEIR FIRST CHOICE.

"THE PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS WHO WERE ALLOCATED ACCORDING TO THEIR FIRST THREE CHOICES IS 67.52 PER CENT, OR 56,746 PUPILS," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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"ALL PLACES ALLOCATED ARE THREE-YEAR PLACES FOR WHICH NO TUITION FEES WILL BE CHARGED," HE SAID.

ALLOCATION RESULTS WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM PUPILS' PRIMARY SCHOOLS ON THURSDAY (JULY 12).

PUPILS SHOULD FOLLOW THE ARRANGEMENTS SET DOWN BY THEIR SCHOOLS AND COLLECT THE ADMISSION SLIP AND ALLOCATION SLIP CONTAINED IN THEIR PRIMARY 6 IDENTIFICATION FORM FROM THEIR SCHOOLS.

"THERE IS ONLY ONE REGISTRATION PERIOD - JULY 18 AND 19 (WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY) - THIS YEAR.

"ALL PUPILS MUST REPORT DURING THE REGISTRATION PERIOD TO THE SECONDARY SCHOOLS TO WHICH THEY HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED. FAILING TO DO SO MAY MEAN THAT THEY HAVE CHOSEN NOT TO TAKE UP THE PLACES ALLOCATED," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

IN CASE BOTH THE PUPIL AND THE PARENT/GUARDIAN ARE AWAY FROM HONG KONG DURING THE REGISTRATION PERIOD, THEY SHOULD AUTHORISE IN WRITING REPRESENTATIVES TO COMPLY WITH THE REGISTRATION PROCEDURES ON THEIR BEHALF. COPIES OF LETTERS OF AUTHORISATION ARE OBTAINABLE FROM THEIR SCHOOLS, HE SAID.

IN CASE OF GENUINE DIFFICULTIES THE PARENTS OR PUPILS SHOULD INFORM THE SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES ALLOCATION SECTION BEFORE THE END OF THE REGISTRATION PERIOD SO THAT ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENTS MAY BE MADE.

"AFTER THE REGISTRATION PERIOD, VACANCIES ARISING FROM NON-REPORTEES WILL BE FILLED AT THE ENTIRE DISCRETION OF THE SCHOOLS," HE ADDED.

WHEN REPORTING TO THE SECONDARY SCHOOLS FOR REGISTRATION, PUPILS ARE EXPECTED TO WEAR THEIR SCHOOL UNIFORM AND MUST BRING THE FOLLOWING:

- (A) PRIMARY 6 IDENTIFICATION FORMS AND THEIR ALLOCATION SLIPS;
- (B) THE ADMISSION SLIPS;
- (C) BIRTH CERTIFICATES, HONG KONG JUVENILE IDENTITY CARDS OR OTHER DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE OF THEIR DATE OF BIRTH AND THEIR STATUS AS PERMANENT RESIDENTS OF HONG KONG (NOTE: PUPILS SHOULD ALSO BRING ALONG THEIR TRAVELLING DOCUMENTS IF THE SYMBOL 'C' (FOR CONDITIONAL STAY) IS FOUND AT LINE 7 OF THE NEW TYPE HONG KONG IDENTITY CARD);
- (D) LATEST SCHOOL REPORT, IF ANY; AND
- (E) TWO RECENT PASSPORT-SIZE PHOTOGRAPHS.

PARENTS SEEKING TRANSFERS FOR THEIR WARDS HAVE TO APPROACH THE SCHOOLS OF THEIR WISH DIRECT FOR APPLICATION. ACCEPTANCE IS AT THE ENTIRE DISCRETION OF THE SCHOOLS.

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SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS HAVE TO RETRIEVE THE ADMISSION SLIPS FROM THE SECONDARY SCHOOLS WHICH THEY HAVE REGISTERED AND HAND THEM TO THE SCHOOLS OF TRANSFER.

"PARENTS/PUPILS ARE REMINDED THAT BY RETRIEVING THEIR ADMISSION SLIPS, THEIR REGISTRATION WITH THE SCHOOLS WILL AT THE SAME TIME BE CANCELLED," THE SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED.

"SHOULD THE TERRITORY BE AFFECTED BY TYPHOON OR PERSISTENT RAIN DURING THE REGISTRATION PERIOD, HEADS OF SCHOOLS AND PARENTS ARE ADVISED TO PAY HEED TO ANNOUNCEMENTS IN THE MEDIA FOR ANY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS," HE SAID.

ENQUIRIES CONCERNING THE ALLOCATION RESULTS SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES ALLOCATION SECTION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT ON TEL. 891 2200.

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HOSPITAL WARD STEWARD SCHEME PROVES HELPFUL

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THE WARD STEWARD SCHEME OF THE HOSPITAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT HAS HELPED TO RELIEVE WARD STAFF IN MAJOR HOSPITALS OF THEIR NON-CLINICAL AND NON-PROFESSIONAL DUTIES.

WARD STEWARDS WERE INTRODUCED LAST AUGUST INTO BUSY WARDS AND HAVE BEEN CONTRIBUTING WELL.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE HOSPITAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT EXPLAINED THAT THE SCHEME WAS LAUNCHED TO MAXIMISE PROFESSIONAL STAFF RESOURCES SO AS TO ACHIEVE BETTER PATIENT SERVICE.

THE SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT THE SCHEME HAS BEEN CLOSELY MONITORED AND REVIEWED BY A STEERING COMMITTEE WHICH COMPRISES NURSES, DOCTORS AND HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATORS.

"THE STEERING COMMITTEE HAS BEEN RECEIVING POSITIVE AND ENCOURAGING FEEDBACK. DOCTORS AND NURSES APPRECIATE THE HELP OF WARD STEWARDS. THEY CAN NOW BETTER CONCENTRATE ON THEIR PROFESSIONAL AND CLINICAL DUTIES AND PROVIDE BETTER CARE FOR PATIENTS."

AT PRESENT, THERE ARE 110 WARD STEWARDS WORKING IN THE FOUR REGIONAL HOSPITALS: QUEEN ELIZABETH HOSPITAL, QUEEN MARY HOSPITAL, PRINCESS MARGARET HOSPITAL AND PRINCE OF WALES HOSPITAL. THEY ALSO WORK IN THE TWO PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITALS: CASTLE PEAK HOSPITAL AND KWAI CHUNG HOSPITAL.

THE DEPARTMENT HAS RECENTLY LAUNCHED ANOTHER ROUND OF RECRUITMENT EXERCISES TO EMPLOY ABOUT 70 MORE WARD STEWARDS. THE NEW RECRUITS WILL BE POSTED TO THE SIX MAJOR HOSPITALS.

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"OUR PLAN IS THAT EVENTUALLY ALL BUSY WARDS WITH 34 BEDS OR MORE IN MAJOR HOSPITALS WILL EACH BE SERVED BY ONE WARD STEWARD," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

WARD STEWARDS WORK A FIVE-AND-A-HALF-DAY WEEK FOR EIGHT HOURS A DAY BETWEEN 8 AM AND 6 PM.

"NEW RECRUITS GO THROUGH A SIX-DAY INDUCTION PROGRAMME BEFORE THEY START TO WORK IN THE WARDS. THE PROGRAMME AIMS TO BRIEF THEM ON THEIR DUTIES AND TO FAMILIARISE THEM WITH THE WARD SITUATION."

THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT ALL PERSONS BELOW 45 YEARS OF AGE WHO HOLD A HONG KONG CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION WITH FIVE PASSES AND SPEAK FLUENT CANTONESE CAN APPLY FOR THE JOB. THE FIVE PASSES INCLUDE ENGLISH LANGUAGE (SYLLABUS A).

THE SALARY IS \$5,515 A MONTH.

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SIX-MONTH RESERVATION PERIOD ON IVORY EXPORT TO EXPIRE ON JULY 17

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THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT TODAY (SUNDAY) REMINDED IVORY TRADERS THAT THE SIX-MONTH RESERVATION PERIOD WILL NOT BE EXTENDED WHEN IT EXPIRES ON TUESDAY, JULY 17.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID IVORY TRADERS WHO WISH TO APPLY FOR A LICENCE TO EXPORT THEIR LEGALLY ACQUIRED IVORY TO NON-CITES (CONSERVATION ON TRADE IN ENDANGERED SPECIES OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA) PARTIES OR TO PARTIES WITH APPROPRIATE RESERVATION SHOULD SUBMIT THEIR APPLICATION BEFORE JULY 16.

HONG KONG IS A PARTY TO THE CITES THROUGH THE UNITED KINGDOM MEMBERSHIP.

MEANWHILE, THE ANIMALS AND PLANTS (PROTECTION OF ENDANGERED SPECIES) (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990 HAS BEEN PASSED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND WILL TAKE EFFECT ON THE EXPIRY DATE.

THE NEW AMENDED LEGISLATION WILL PROHIBIT BOTH THE IMPORT AND EXPORT OF IVORY AND OTHER HIGHLY ENDANGERED SPECIES LISTED UNDER THE SIXTH SCHEDULE OF THE ORDINANCE.

TO HELP CONSERVE THE AFRICA ELEPHANTS, CITES IMPOSED A TOTAL BAN ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE OF IVORY SINCE JANUARY THIS YEAR.

HOWEVER, BECAUSE OF HONG KONG'S UNIQUE POSITION AS AN IVORY PROCESSING CENTRE IN THE WORLD, THE UK ENTERED A SIX-MONTH RESERVATION TO THE CITES DECISION ON HONG KONG'S BEHALF TO PROVIDE TIME FOR CARVERS TO ACQUIRE THE NECESSARY RE-TRAINING AND TO SEEK ALTERNATIVE EMPLOYMENT.

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IT ALSO PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE TRADERS TO DISPOSE OF THEIR LEGALLY ACQUIRED IVORY STOCKS TO NON-CITES PARTIES OR TO PARTIES WITH APPROPRIATE RESERVATION.

AT PRESENT, IMPORT, EXPORT AND POSSESSION OF IVORY ARE SUBJECT TO LICENSING CONTROLS IN HONG KONG.

THE IMPORT OF IVORY INTO HONG KONG HAS ALREADY BEEN BANNED SINCE JUNE LAST YEAR AND COMMERCIAL EXPORT OF IVORY WILL NOT BE AUTHORISED WHEN THE AMENDMENT BILL TAKES EFFECT ON JULY 17, 1990.

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MORE SAFETY COURSES IN THE PIPELINE
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THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT WILL CONTINUE TO OFFER A WIDE RANGE OF INDUSTRIAL SAFETY COURSES FOR PEOPLE IN VARIOUS INDUSTRIES IN THE SECOND HALF OF THE YEAR UNDER ITS ONGOING SAFETY TRAINING PROGRAMME.

THE COURSES ARE INTENDED TO HELP PARTICIPANTS IDENTIFY UNSAFE ACTS AND WORKING CONDITIONS IN THEIR WORKPLACES AND TO EQUIP THEM WITH THE NECESSARY KNOWLEDGE IN TACKLING SAFETY PROBLEMS.

"SINCE 1972, THE DEPARTMENT'S INDUSTRIAL SAFETY TRAINING CENTRE (ISTC) HAS BEEN RUNNING FREE SAFETY TRAINING COURSES ON A REGULAR BASIS, AND HAS ALREADY PROVIDED TRAINING FOR OVER 133,000 PEOPLE UP TO THE END OF LAST YEAR," THE ACTING SUPERINTENDENT OF FACTORY INSPECTORS (ISTC), MR CHUNG BING-WOR, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

"WE WILL OFFER ANOTHER 171 COURSES OF 26 TYPES BETWEEN NOW AND DECEMBER FOR PROPRIETORS, SUPERVISORS, SAFETY PERSONNEL AND WORKERS IN INDUSTRY, EACH LASTING FOR HALF A DAY TO FIVE DAYS," HE ADDED.

MR CHUNG SAID EMPHASIS WOULD BE LAID PARTICULARLY ON SAFETY LEGISLATION TO ENHANCE PARTICIPANTS' UNDERSTANDING OF THE LAW AND HELP THEM COMPLY WITH THE LEGAL REQUIREMENTS.

"MOREOVER, GREATER ATTENTION WILL ALSO BE PAID TO PAST CASE STUDY AND ANALYSIS SO THAT PARTICIPANTS MAY LEARN A USEFUL LESSON FROM PAST EXPERIENCES.

"TO COINCIDE WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FACTORIES AND INDUSTRIAL UNDERTAKINGS (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE 1989 AT THE END OF THE YEAR, THE ISTC WILL INTRODUCE A NUMBER OF HALF-DAY COURSES ON THE PROVISION WHICH IMPOSES GENERAL DUTIES ON PROPRIETORS AND EMPLOYEES TO MAINTAIN SAFETY AT WORK.

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"THERE MAY ALSO BE MORE COURSES ON SUBJECTS RELATED TO GENERAL DUTIES SUCH AS SAFETY PROGRAMME AND SAFETY PROMOTION," MR CHUNG NOTED.

THE COURSES ARE CONDUCTED MAINLY IN CANTONESE AND OFFERED FREE OF CHARGE, THOUGH APPLICATION MUST BE MADE THROUGH EMPLOYERS.

COURSE PROSPECTUS AND APPLICATION FORMS ARE NOW OBTAINABLE FROM THE CENTRE ON 13TH FLOOR, HARBOUR BUILDING, 38 PIER ROAD, CENTRAL. ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON TEL. 852 3563.

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TELEMATCH TO PROMOTE VOTERS REGISTRATION

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ABOUT 500 MEMBERS FROM THE 15 AREA COMMITTEES IN THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT TODAY (SUNDAY) TOOK PART IN A TELEMATCH SPECIALLY DESIGNED TO PROMOTE VOTERS REGISTRATION.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE TELEMATCH, THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR DAVID LAN, SAID NEXT YEAR'S ELECTIONS TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, THE TWO MUNICIPAL COUNCILS AND THE DISTRICT BOARDS WOULD BE A MILESTONE IN THE POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT OF HONG KONG.

"IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT IN THE FUTURE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL HAVE MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO TAKE PART IN POLICY FORMULATION AND DIFFERENT TYPES OF POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.

"AND AREA COMMITTEES, AS AN ESSENTIAL COMPONENT OF THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION SCHEME AND AN IMPORTANT TERRITORY-WIDE ADVISORY BODY, HAVE PLAYED AN INDISPENSABLE ROLE IN CULTIVATING A SENSE OF BELONGING IN THEIR OWN COMMUNITIES AND IN BUILDING A HARMONIOUS AND STABLE SOCIETY BY ACTIVELY ORGANISING VARIOUS COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION SCHEMES," HE SAID.

MR LAN SAID ONE OF THE MAJOR TASKS OF THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION IN 1990-91 WAS TO ENCOURAGE RESIDENTS TO REGISTER AS ELECTORS AND TO EXERCISE THEIR CIVIC RIGHT TO CAST THEIR VOTE AT POLLING STATIONS.

IN THIS RESPECT, AREA COMMITTEES HAD LINED UP A SERIES OF FUNCTIONS TO PROMOTE VOTERS REGISTRATION, HE NOTED.

TODAY'S TELEMATCH, JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD AND RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG, WAS HELD AT THE KOWLOON BAY INDOOR GAMES HALL.

IT SERVED AS A PRELUDE TO THE LAUNCHING OF THE SOLAR PROJECT '90 OPENING CONCERT WHICH WILL BE HELD ON JULY 22 AT THE KWUN TONG RECREATION GROUND TO PROMOTE PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THE 1991 ELECTIONS.

THE AREA COMMITTEE MEMBERS PARTICIPATING IN THE TELEMATCH WERE ALSO APPOINTED AS "VOTERS REGISTRATION AMBASSADORS" TO HELP PROMOTE VOTERS REGISTRATION IN THE DISTRICT.

OTHER GUESTS PRESENT AT THE OPENING CEREMONY INCLUDED THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT OFFICER, MR CHRIS WAN, AND DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR LAM HANG-FAI.

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48 NEW BUILDING PLANS APPROVED IN APRIL

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THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE OFFICE APPROVED A TOTAL OF 48 NEW BUILDING PLANS IN APRIL.

OF THE PLANS, 21 WERE ON HONG KONG ISLAND, 10 IN KOWLOON AND 17 IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THE APPROVED PLANS INCLUDED 15 FOR APARTMENT, APARTMENT/COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS; 14 FOR COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT; AND SIX FOR FACTORY AND GODOWN PURPOSES.

DURING THE MONTH, THE OFFICE GAVE CONSENT FOR WORK TO START ON 35 PROJECTS, INVOLVING 38,600.9 SQUARE METRES OF USABLE DOMESTIC FLOOR AREA AND 231,518.3 SQUARE METRES OF USABLE NON-DOMESTIC FLOOR AREA.

THE TOTAL DECLARED COST OF NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED DURING THE MONTH WAS ABOUT \$877 MILLION. THE USABLE FLOOR AREAS FOR DOMESTIC AND NON-DOMESTIC USES WERE ABOUT 144,238 SQUARE METRES AND 73,115.4 SQUARE METRES RESPECTIVELY.

ALSO DURING THE MONTH, THE OFFICE ISSUED 24 OCCUPATION PERMITS, EIGHT FOR HONG KONG ISLAND, THREE FOR KOWLOON AND 13 FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES.

IN ADDITION, THE OFFICE ISSUED 38 DEMOLITION CONSENTS AFFECTING 81 BUILDINGS.

THE CONTROL AND ENFORCEMENT DIVISION RECEIVED 461 COMPLAINTS ON ILLEGAL BUILDING WORKS, CARRIED OUT 728 INSPECTIONS AND ISSUED 180 REMOVAL ORDERS.

THE DANGEROUS BUILDING SECTION INSPECTED 336 BUILDINGS AND OBTAINED THREE EMERGENCY CLOSURE ORDERS.

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CLEAN-UP OPERATION IN TAI PO

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MORE THAN 400 TAI PO RESIDENTS JOINED AN EXTENSIVE CLEAN-UP OPERATION IN THE DISTRICT THIS (SUNDAY) AFTERNOON TO HIGHLIGHT THE KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN DAY.

CALLED THE KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN DAY PIONEERS MASSIVE CLEAN-UP OPERATION, THE ACTIVITY WAS ORGANISED BY THE WORKING GROUP ON TAI PO DISTRICT KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN CAMPAIGN.

THE AIM WAS TO AROUSE PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THE IMPORTANCE OF KEEPING THE ENVIRONMENT CLEAN.

THE PARTICIPANTS, FORMED INTO 21 TEAMS, CLEANED UP THE STREETS IN LUEN YICK FISHERMEN'S VILLAGE, YUEN CHAU TSAI, TAI PO PLAZA AND TAI WO ESTATE.

A LAUNCHING CEREMONY WAS HELD EARLIER TODAY AT TAI PO CENTRAL TOWN SQUARE WITH THE CHAIRMAN OF THE TAI PO DISTRICT BOARD, MR HO YUNG-SANG OFFICIATING.

AN EXHIBITION ON THE RE-CYCLING OF REFUSE WAS HELD AT THE SAME VENUE.

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SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED TO YOUNG MUSICIANS AND DANCERS

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NINE TALENTED YOUNG MUSICIANS AND DANCERS WHO WERE AWARDED SCHOLARSHIPS UNDER THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB MUSIC FUND WILL LEAVE FOR BRITAIN, CANADA, AUSTRALIA AND THE UNITED STATES TO RECEIVE FURTHER TRAINING IN MUSIC AND DANCE.

THEY ARE YIP CHING, CHENG WAI, ANDREW MA, YIU SONG-LAM, CHRISTINE WONG, LAU CHIN-YAN, RONLY KONG, CATHEDRAL MA AND CHRIS HO.

THEY WERE SELECTED FROM A GROUP OF 57 CANDIDATES FOR THE OVERSEAS SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED BY THE MUSIC FUND FOR 1990-91 AFTER AN AUDITION TEST AND AN INTERVIEW HELD EARLIER THIS YEAR.

THE PURPOSE OF THE SCHOLARSHIP IS TO ASSIST EXCEPTIONALLY TALENTED YOUNG PEOPLE TO RECEIVE TRAINING INPOST-DIPLOMA STUDIES AT OVERSEAS INSTITUTES.

YIP CHING, CHENG WAI, ANDREW MA, YIU SONG-LAM, CHRISTINE WONG AND LAU CHIN-YAN WILL PURSUE THEIR MUSICAL INSTRUMENT COURSES IN BRITAIN, CANADA, AUSTRALIA AND THE UNITED STATES.

RONLY KONG, CATHEDRAL MA AND CHRIS HO WILL ATTEND MODERN DANCE COURSES IN BRITAIN AND THE UNITED STATES.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB MUSIC FUND IS ESTABLISHED IN 1980 WITH A DONATION OF \$10 MILLION FROM THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

IT IS A NON-STATUTORY TRUST FUND FOR THE PROMOTION AND DEVELOPMENT OF MUSIC, DANCE AND RELATED ACTIVITIES IN THE TERRITORY BY WAY OF GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS.

SINCE 1980, THE MUSIC FUND HAS AWARDED 48 MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS AND 16 DANCE SCHOLARSHIPS TO ENABLE 31 YOUNG MUSICIANS AND 12 DANCERS TO FURTHER THEIR TRAINING OVERSEAS.

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SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME STARTS IN MONG KOK
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THOUSANDS OF YOUNG PEOPLE TOOK PART IN AN ART AND HANDICRAFT FAIR AT THE MACPHERSON PLAYGROUND IN MONG KOK TODAY (SUNDAY) TO MARK THE OPENING OF THE DISTRICT'S SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME (SYP).

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SYP COMMITTEE, MR PETER LEE, SAID YOUNG PEOPLE PLAYED AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN SOCIETY.

BY PARTICIPATING IN RECREATIONAL, SOCIAL AND SPORTS ACTIVITIES, YOUNG PEOPLE COULD DEVELOP THEIR POTENTIAL AND TALENTS AND BECOME MORE CIVIC-MINDED, HE SAID.

THIS YEAR'S ACTIVITIES INCLUDE SEMINARS ON LAW, QUIZ COMPETITIONS, ESSAY AND DRAWING COMPETITIONS ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, TALKS ON CIVIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES, CAMPING, PICNICS AND SPORTS.

MORE THAN 40,000 YOUNG PEOPLE BETWEEN THE AGES OF SIX AND 25 ARE EXPECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 121 ACTIVITIES OVER THE NEXT TWO MONTHS.

ALSO SPEAKING AT THE CEREMONY, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SYP CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE, MR HO FEI-CHI, ENCOURAGED YOUNGSTERS TO TAKE PART IN THE ACTIVITIES WHICH WERE DESIGNED TO ENHANCE THEIR INVOLVEMENT IN COMMUNITY AFFAIRS.

ALSO OFFICIATING AT TODAY'S CEREMONY WERE THE MONG KOK DISTRICT OFFICER, MRS LORNA MA, DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR CHOW CHUN-FAI, AN URBAN COUNCILLOR, MR CHAN KWOK-MING, AND THE REGIONAL SOCIAL WELFARE OFFICER (WEST KOWLOON), MRS PUN LEE WAI-CHUN.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

A PHOTOGRAPH OF THE MONG KOK DISTRICT SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION AT THE GIS NEWSROOM LATER TODAY.

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DB MEMBERS TAKE PART IN CLEAN-UP EXERCISE
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FIVE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS TODAY (SUNDAY) JOINED HANDS WITH LOCAL RESIDENTS IN A CLEAN-UP EXERCISE TO SHOW THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN DAY.

AFTER MOUNTING TWO PUBLICITY BANNERS AT PROMINENT LOCATIONS IN THE DISTRICT, THE GROUP WENT TO THE NAM CHEONG STREET SITTING-OUT AREA, ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR RECREATIONAL GROUNDS FOR LOCAL RESIDENTS, TO CLEAN UP THE PLACE.

THEY WERE ASSISTED BY REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE 10 AREA COMMITTEES IN THE DISTRICT.

ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD'S KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN WORKING GROUP, THE EVENT WAS PART OF THE GROUP'S YEAR-LONG EFFORT TO PROMOTE RESIDENTS' AWARENESS OF THE IMPORTANCE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE.

OTHER PUBLICITY EVENTS TO BE ORGANISED LATER IN THE YEAR INCLUDE THE PRINTING OF POSTERS, A CARNIVAL AND A CLEAN-UP EXERCISE IN LOCAL TEMPORARY HOUSING AREAS.

THE GROUP WILL ALSO SUBSIDISE LOCAL AREA COMMITTEES TO ORGANISE ACTIVITIES TO DRIVE HOME THE CLEAN HONG KONG MESSAGES.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

A PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN AT THE CLEAN-UP EXERCISE WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION FROM THE GIS DUTY OFFICER.

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CONSTRUCTION OF ROAD TO FANLING TONG HANG VILLAGE
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THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE IS PLANNING TO CONSTRUCT A ROAD LEADING TO FANLING TONG HANG VILLAGE, SOUTHEAST OF LUEN WO MARKET, TO PROVIDE VEHICULAR ACCESS AND IMPROVED PEDESTRIAN ACCESS TO THE VILLAGE.

AS PART OF THE "IMPROVEMENT TO URBAN FRINGE AND RURAL AREAS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES" PROGRAMME, THE PROPOSED WORKS INVOLVE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SINGLE TRACK ACCESS ROAD WITH ASSOCIATED TURNING AREA, FOOTPATH AND DRAINAGE WORKS.

DURING THE CONSTRUCTION PERIOD, PEDESTRIAN ACCESS WILL BE MAINTAINED TO MINIMISE ANY INCONVENIENCE TO THE PUBLIC.

THE WORKS HAVE BEEN DESIGNED AND CONSTRUCTION WILL BE SUPERVISED BY THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE.

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A NOTICE CONCERNING THE PROPOSED WORKS WAS PUBLISHED IN THE LATEST ISSUE OF THE GAZETTE.

A PLAN SHOWING THE PROPOSED WORKS CAN BE SEEN AT THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, CENTRAL ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING, MAIN ENTRANCE LOBBY, HONG KONG; AND AT THE NORTH DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE AND THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE, BOTH AT JOCKEY CLUB ROAD, FANLING ROUNDABOUT, FANLING.

ANY PERSON WHO WISHES TO OBJECT TO THE PROPOSED WORKS SHOULD WRITE TO THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, EAST WING, SECOND FLOOR, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, HONG KONG NOT LATER THAN AUGUST 28 THIS YEAR.

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KOWLOON CITY SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME BEGINS
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MORE THAN 320 ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN ORGANISED FOR THE YOUNGSTERS OF KOWLOON CITY IN A TWO-MONTH-LONG SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME THAT BEGAN TODAY (SUNDAY).

ADDRESSING THE OPENING CEREMONY AT THE MA TAU WAI ROAD FOOTBALL PITCH, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE, MR TANG TAI-CHUEN, SAID IT WAS HOPED THAT YOUNG PEOPLE BY TAKING PART IN VARIOUS CULTURAL, COMMUNITY, RECREATIONAL AND SPORTS ACTIVITIES, WOULD DEVELOP HEALTHY HABITS AND CIVIC AWARENESS.

KOWLOON CITY RESIDENTS AGED BETWEEN SIX AND 25 ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAMME. A BOOKLET GIVING DETAILS OF THE PROGRAMME IS AVAILABLE FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICE AND ITS SUB-OFFICES.

THIS YEAR'S DISTRICT PROGRAMME IS SPONSORED BY THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT BOARD AND THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB, WITH FUNDS ALSO COMING FROM PRIVATE DONATIONS.

A VARIETY SHOW AND GAMES FOLLOWED THE OPENING CEREMONY.

GUESTS INCLUDED MR KWOK KA-MING, MEMBER OF THE SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME COMMITTEE; MR WONG SIK-KONG, CHAIRMAN OF THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT BOARD; MS JOEY LAM, ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER; AND MR CHEUNG HON-LEUNG, KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT SOCIAL WELFARE OFFICER.

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TENDERS INVITED FOR SPORTS COMPLEX PROJECT

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THE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SPORTS COMPLEX AT THE JUNCTION OF JOCKEY CLUB ROAD AND LUNG SUM AVENUE IN SHEUNG SHUI.

THE PROJECT WILL INCLUDE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 2,500-SEAT SPECTATOR STAND, AN EIGHT-LANE ALL-WEATHER 400 METRE SYNTHETIC SURFACED RUNNING TRACK, A TURFED SOCCER PITCH, A VOLLEYBALL COURT, AND SIX TENNIS AND THREE BASKET BALL COURTS.

IT WILL ALSO HAVE A PLAY AREA WITH ASSOCIATED FACILITIES FOR CHILDREN.

CONSTRUCTION WORK IS EXPECTED TO START IN OCTOBER THIS YEAR AND WILL TAKE ABOUT 18 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

TENDERS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO THE CENTRAL TENDER BOARD BEFORE NOON ON JULY 27 THIS YEAR.

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SAI KUNG KEEP CLEAN CAMPAIGN STARTS

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ABOUT 50 STUDENTS OF CARMEL DIVINE GRACE FOUNDATION SECONDARY SCHOOL TOOK PART IN A CLEAN-UP OPERATION TODAY (SUNDAY) AT PO LAM AND TSUI LAM ESTATES IN TSEUNG KWAN O.

THE OPERATION IS THE FIRST IN A SERIES OF CLEAN-UP ACTIVITIES IN THE DISTRICT THIS YEAR.

ORGANISED BY THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT BOARD'S WORKING GROUP ON KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN CAMPAIGN, THE ACTIVITIES ARE AIMED AT ENHANCING RESIDENTS' AWARENESS OF THE IMPORTANCE OF KEEPING THEIR LIVING ENVIRONMENT CLEAN.

OFFICIATING AT TODAY'S EVENT WERE THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT OFFICER, MR FREDERICK TONG; DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR WILLIAM WAN; CHAIRMAN OF THE DB'S ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE, MR HO KOON-SHUN; CONVENER OF THE WORKING GROUP ON KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN CAMPAIGN 1990-91, MR EDWARD PONG; AND THE DISTRICT HYGIENE SUPERINTENDENT (SAI KUNG) OF THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, MR CHU WING-WAI.

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WAN CHAI SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME STARTS

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OVER 200 ACTIVITIES WILL BE ORGANISED FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN WAN CHAI THIS SUMMER, THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR PETER MANN, SAID THIS (SUNDAY) AFTERNOON.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME (SYP), MR MANN SAID THE SYP CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE JOINTLY ORGANISES WITH LOCAL VOLUNTARY AGENCIES MANY ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE DISTRICT EVERY YEAR.

OF THE \$260,000 FOR THIS YEAR'S SYP, \$220,000 WAS DONATED BY THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB AND THE REMAINDER BY PRIVATE SPONSORS, HE SAID.

THE THEME OF THIS YEAR'S SYP IS AGAIN "SHARE THE FUN, SERVE THE COMMUNITY", REMINDING YOUNG PEOPLE TO HELP BUILD THE COMMUNITY WHILE TAKING PART IN THE ACTIVITIES, HE SAID.

FROM TODAY UNTIL LATE AUGUST, CHILDREN AND YOUTHS AGED SIX TO 25 WILL BE ABLE TO TAKE PART IN SUMMER CAMPS, PICNICS, SPORTS COMPETITIONS, SEMINARS AND TRAINING CLASSES.

TODAY'S OPENING CEREMONY WAS FOLLOWED BY A VARIETY SHOW AT THE SOUTHRN STADIUM, FEATURING A LION DANCE, AND SINGING AND DANCING PERFORMANCES BY LOCAL CHOIRS.

THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE EVENT WAS A PARADE BY OVER 200 PARTICIPANTS FROM ABOUT 20 YOUTH CENTRES AND SCHOOLS ALONG JOHNSTON ROAD AND HENNESSY ROAD.

A CARNIVAL WAS ALSO HELD TODAY AT THE SOUTHRN PLAYGROUND WITH TELEMATCHES, STALL GAMES AND KARAOKE SINGING.

ALSO PRESENT AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WERE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT'S SYP CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE, MR LIU WING-TING, AND THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MR BRYAN CHAN.

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SERVICES FOR PUBLIC HOUSING TENANTS ON AGENDA

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THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY BUILDING AND AFFAIRS COMMITTEE WILL DISCUSS TOMORROW (MONDAY) THE SERVICES BEING PROVIDED BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT AND THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT FOR SINGLETON TENANTS LIVING AT PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES.

REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE TWO DEPARTMENTS WILL BE PRESENT AT THE MEETING TO HEAR MEMBERS' VIEWS AND ANSWER QUESTIONS.

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THE COMMITTEE WILL ALSO CONSIDER A NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS FROM LOCAL BODIES FOR DB FUNDS FOR ORGANISING COMMUNITY BUILDING FUNCTIONS.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE SOUTHRN DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY BUILDING AND AFFAIRS COMMITTEE TO BE HELD TOMORROW (MONDAY) IN THE DB CONFERENCE ROOM, SECOND FLOOR, MEI FUNG COURT, 7-11 NAM NING STREET, ABERDEEN CENTRE.

THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE LATTER HALF OF THE MEETING, WHICH WILL DEAL WITH APPLICATIONS FOR DB FUNDS, WILL BE HELD IN CAMERA.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN WESTERN DISTRICT

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT FROM 10 AM ON TUESDAY (JULY 10), THE FOLLOWING TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN WESTERN DISTRICT AS PART OF THE POK FU LAM ROAD TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SCHEME:

- * THE SECTION OF FIRST STREET BETWEEN POK FU LAM ROAD AND WESTERN STREET WILL BE RE-ROUTED FROM ONE-WAY WESTBOUND TO ONE-WAY EASTBOUND; AND
- * THE SECTION OF SECOND STREET BETWEEN POK FU LAM ROAD AND WESTERN STREET WILL BE RE-ROUTED FROM ONE-WAY EASTBOUND TO ONE-WAY WESTBOUND.

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TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF WATERLOO ROAD FLYOVER

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT THE SOUTHBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF THE FLYOVER AT WATERLOO ROAD ADJACENT TO HONG KONG BAPTIST COLLEGE WILL BE CLOSED FROM 1 AM TO 6 AM ON TUESDAY (JULY 10) AND WEDNESDAY (JULY 11) TO FACILITATE ROAD MAINTENANCE WORKS.

DURING THE CLOSURE, SOUTHBOUND VEHICLES FROM THE LION ROCK TUNNEL WILL BE DIRECTED TO THE GROUND LEVEL OF WATERLOO ROAD.

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE SET UP TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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URBAN CLEARWAYS IN WONG TAI SIN

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT FROM 10 AM ON TUESDAY (JULY 10), THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS OF YING FUNG LANE IN WONG TAI SIN WILL BE DESIGNATED 24-HOUR DAILY URBAN CLEARWAYS:

- * THE WESTERN KERBSIDE LANE OF THE EASTERN ARM OF YING FUNG LANE FROM A POINT ABOUT 70 METRES SOUTH OF ITS JUNCTION WITH FUNG TAK ROAD TO A POINT ABOUT 82 METRES SOUTH OF THE SAME JUNCTION; AND
- * THE NORTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF THE SOUTHERN ARM OF YING FUNG LANE FROM ITS JUNCTION WITH THE EASTERN ARM OF THE SAME LANE TO A POINT ABOUT 47 METRES WEST OF THE SAME JUNCTION.

NO VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS THERE.

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