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Govt to spend \$30 billion on roads

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The Government will be spending \$30 billion on new roads over the next five years, the Secretary for Transport, Mr Haider Barma, said this (Friday) afternoon.

Speaking at a media session to elaborate on the 1995-96 Budget with respect to transport, Mr Barma said this was on top of the \$14 billion which the private sector would be investing in the Western Harbour Crossing for completion in 1997, and the Country Park Section of Route Three for completion in 1998.

He said the Government would soon be asking the Finance Committee to approve the funding, estimated at just over \$1 billion, for building a duplicate Tsing Yi south bridge to relieve the serious traffic congestion experienced by Tsing Yi residents.

He added that in 1995-96, the Government would also employ consultants to conduct feasibility studies on electronic road pricing and the provision of traffic control and surveillance facilities for the strategic road network; and to conduct the Third Comprehensive Transport Study.

Mr Barma said there would be a five per cent increase in real terms in the recurrent public expenditure on transport in 1995-96.

He said the 1995-96 Draft Estimates included expenditure on the following non-ACP projects:

- \* Lung Cheung Road and Ching Cheung Road Improvements (\$245 million);
- \* Tuen Mun Road Improvements (\$250 million);
- \* Ting Kau Bridge and Viaduct (\$250 million);

and the following major new projects which are planned to start in 1995-96:

- \* Hung Hom Bypass and Princess Margaret Road Link (\$881 million);
- \* Reconstruction of major roads in the territory, 1995-96 programme (\$346 million);

- \* Improvements to Castle Peak Road from Siu Lam to So Kwun Wat (\$282 million);
- \* Improvements to Victoria Road (\$122 million), and
- \* consultancy for the design of Central and Wan Chai Bypass and Island East Corridor Link (\$194 million).

Mr Barma said the Government's ability to control growth in recurrent expenditure on transport to some extent derived from its tremendous success in privatising the management of road tunnels, public car parks, parking meters, and vehicle examination centres.

"This record is second to none and has resulted in lower costs, increased efficiency and better service to the public," he said.

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#### Slope safety review report released

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The Governor-in-Council has accepted the recommendations in the Report on the Review of Slope Safety Measures, which will further reduce the risk of landslides to the public and enhance Government's capability to respond speedily to such emergencies.

The Secretary for Works, Mr James Blake, today (Friday) released the report which contains the following main recommendations for immediate action:

- (a) The current Landslip Preventive Measures (LPM) programme, which involves the inspection and, where necessary, upgrading of 10,000 man-made slopes listed in the 1977-78 catalogue of the Geotechnical Engineering Office, should be accelerated by 10 years for substantial completion by 2000.
- (b) The LPM programme should be extended to cover certain slopes which have previously been classified as "low consequence", such as those close to busy roads and footpaths.

- (c) The system for classifying slopes according to the consequences of their failure should be reviewed.
- (d) Public education on slope maintenance should be stepped up. A layman's guide on slope maintenance and a geoguide for the professionals should be produced as soon as possible. Owners of private slopes and building managers should be made clearly aware of their obligations for slope maintenance.
- (e) Response time of Works Departments to landslip emergencies should be reduced through better deployment of stand-by staff, better co-ordination, extra transport facilities and upgrading of telecommunication equipment.

The Review also puts forward the following recommendations for further detailed consideration:

- (f) Legislative amendments should be considered to improve statutory geotechnical control of private slopes and developments. This may include the statutory requirement to appoint qualified Geotechnical Engineers to undertake the investigation, design, supervision and administration of geotechnical works, and
- (g) A register should be developed to clearly define the responsibilities for slope maintenance.

The comprehensive review of the policy, legislation and resources in respect of slope safety was carried out by the Secretary for Works following the Kwun Lung Lau landslide in July 1994.

Announcing the results of the review, Mr Blake said: "The review has produced far-reaching recommendations to complement those made by Professor Morgenstern in his inquiry into the cause of the Kwun Lung Lau landslide.

"In formulating our recommendations, we have taken into account views of the general public, Legco members and experts."

"Government is committed to implementing the recommendations in the Review Report with additional resources to speed up the LPM programme and to beef up the Geotechnical Engineering Office and the Buildings Department to do the work."

Mr Blake explained that since 1977, Government had spent more than \$1 billion in the LPM programme. The acceleration and extension of the programme would cost an additional \$1.3 billion in capital expenditure and \$400 million in recurrent expenditure over the next five years.

"Because of our steep terrain and dense urban development on hillsides, I share the views of many geotechnical experts that Hong Kong would never be entirely free from the threat of landslides. However, the measures we are putting into place will help reduce the risk of landslide to the lowest practical level," Mr Blake said.

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#### HK delegation to visit China

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The Secretary for the Treasury, Mr Donald Tsang, will be visiting Beijing and Tianjin from March 12 to 19 this year, a Government spokesman announced today (Friday).

He will be accompanied by seven other Hong Kong Government officials.

This is one in a series of sponsored visits between Hong Kong and the mainland of China. The objective of the sponsored visit programme is to increase mutual understanding of Chinese and Hong Kong Government officials on each other's systems and ways of life.

The last similar visit, which took place in November last year, was led by the Secretary for Education and Manpower, Mr Michael Leung.

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Chinese delegation to visit HK

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A Chinese delegation to be led by Mr Shao Guanfu, Deputy Director of the Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, will visit Hong Kong from March 9 to 18 this year, a Government spokesman announced today (Friday).

There will be seven other members in the delegation. They also work in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

This is one in a series of sponsored visits between Hong Kong and the mainland of China. The objective of the sponsored visit programme is to increase mutual understanding of Chinese and Hong Kong Government officials on each other's systems and ways of life.

The delegation will be briefed by senior Hong Kong Government officials on policies relating to the economy, trade matters, financial affairs and the civil service.

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Transcript of Financial Secretary's remarks

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Following is the transcript of the remarks made by the Financial Secretary, Sir Hamish Macleod, to reporters after attending a LegCo panel meeting this (Friday) morning:

Good morning. As you know, I have just finished a meeting with LegCo Members. I must say I am again encouraged by the meeting, I think in general the reaction to the Budget continues to be positive. There was interest to know more about a number of issues: there was some discussion, for instance, on the property market and my statement on that in the Budget; there was interest on the medium range forecast and the increased reserves. But I think I can say that no one issue sort of emerged as seriously problematic, it was more an asking for information and seeking views on the philosophy which lay behind some of the proposals. So I am generally encouraged by the meeting and I shall go on over the next few days explaining the Budget in more detail and my colleagues will join me in that.

As you know, we have had a number of Secretaries already speaking on their own areas and that will continue next week. And as we detect the need for more discussion on a particular item, we are very happy to arrange extra briefings by experts in the field. So we will go on explaining ourselves and hope to go on getting the good response which we've got so far.

Any questions?

Question and answer session

Question: Has China been informed of your successor and have they given their approval?

FS: I don't know the answer to that. I did read something in the newspaper about it but I'm not actually the person who deals with (the question of) my successor, although of course I know who it is, so I don't know the mechanics of it.

Question: Director Lu Ping has just said that the SAR Chief Executive - the British Government should let the SAR Chief Executive participate in making the 1997-98 Budget. How do you feel about that?

FS: I have no problems with that. In fact I was asked the same question by LegCo Members. If there is a wish for the Chief Executive Designate to take part in the talks about the 1997-98 Budget, I don't have any problems with that.

Question: So the two countries should make the 1997-98 Budget together for Hong Kong?

FS: Well again, I am not going to be pinned down to particular words. As I've said before, having answered your specific question, we really need to talk to China on this. We are trying to be practical and helpful and I'm sure we can have a sensible discussion.

Question: So you have no doubts to let the Chinese participate in the 1997-98 Budget?

FS: I'm not adding to what I've said already but I've said very clearly that we are ready to consult and consult is much more than briefing.

Question: Does it mean that all the members support the Budget unconditionally?

FS: No, I'm certainly not going to put those words in their mouths, I think they must speak for themselves. But as I say, the general atmosphere was very good and was very positive. Thank you very much.

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Ten more lots of land up for auction

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The Lands Department will sell 10 more lots of land at three public auctions later this month.

Two more lots for private residential use will be offered for sale at the land auction scheduled to be held at Hong Kong Cultural Centre on March 14.

The first lot has an area of 13,999 square metres at Fung Shing Street, Ngau Chi Wan.

The developer has to complete a gross floor area of not less than 39,240 square metres on or before March 31, 1999.

The second lot is situated at Area 90B, Ma On Shan, Sha Tin, having an area of 10,900 square metres.

The developer has to complete a gross floor area of not less than 32,700 square metres on or before September 30, 1999.

The second land auction of this month will be held at the Hong Kong Cultural Centre, Tsim Sha Tsui, on 27th while the third - also the last of the 1994-95 financial year - on 30th at the same venue.

Of the eight lots to be offered for sale at these two auctions, five are designated for private residential developments, two for non-industrial purposes and one for industrial or offices ancillary and directly related to an industrial operation.

At the auction on March 27, two lots for private residential developments and two lots for non-industrial uses will be offered for sale.

The first lot, located in Chung Hau Street, Ho Man Tin, has an area of 3,380 square metres for private residential use.

The developer has to complete a gross floor area of not less than 15,210 square metres on or before March 31, 1998.

With an area of 2,155 square metres for private residential use, the second lot is located in Town Park Road, Yuen Long.

The developer has to complete a gross floor area of not less than 3,879 square metres on or before March 31, 1998.

The third lot, located in Area 100, Ma On Shan, Sha Tin, has an area of 10,306 square metres for non-industrial use, excluding godown, service apartments and petrol filling station, but including hotel purposes.

The developer has to complete a gross floor area of not less than 30,920 square metres on or before September 30, 1999. If the lot or part of it is to be developed for hotel purposes, the building covenant date will be extended to March 31, 2000.

Covering an area of 5,970 square metres, the fourth lot is situated in Area 37C, Tseung Kwan O, Sai Kung, and designated for non-industrial purpose, excluding office and godown, with the two floors immediately above the foundations to be used for non-industrial purpose, excluding residential, godown and office uses, while the remaining floors to be used for private residential purposes.

At the auction on March 30, three lots for private residential developments and one lot for industrial/godown or offices ancillary and directly related to an industrial operation will be offered for sale.

The first lot for private residential use is located in King's Park Rise, and has an area of 15,644 square metres.

The developer has to complete a gross floor area of not less than 13,440 square metres on or before September 30, 1998.

The second residential lot is located in Sha Ha, Sai Kung, having an area of 900 square metres.

The developer has to complete a gross floor area of not less than 324 square metres on or before March 31, 1998.

Covering an area of 16,301 square metres for residential use, the third lot is at Town Park Road North, Yuen Long.

The developer has to complete a gross floor area of not less than 29,342 square metres on or before September 30, 1999.

The fourth lot situated in Area 11, at the junction of On Lai Street and On Yiu Street, Sha Tin, has an area of 9,600 square metres for (i) industrial or godown or both; or (ii) offices ancillary and directly related to an industrial operation; or any combination of (i) and (ii).

The developer has to complete a gross floor area of not less than 28,800 square metres on or before March 31, 1999.

Full particulars and conditions of sale may be obtained from the Lands Department, 14th floor, Murray Building, Garden Road; and the District Lands Offices Kowloon, Yau Ma Tei Car Park Building, 10th floor, 250 Shanghai Street, Kowloon.

Sales plans are available for inspection at these offices.

Conditions of sale will also be available at the District Lands Offices of Sha Tin, Tuen Mun, Yuen Long, Tsuen Wan, Kwai Tsing, Tai Po, North, Sai Kung and Islands.

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#### Tai Lam Tunnel and Yuen Long Approach Road Bill

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The Tai Lam Tunnel and Yuen Long Approach Road Bill was published in the Gazette today (Friday).

The purpose of the Bill is to award a franchise to Route 3 (CPS) Company to construct and operate the Tai Lam Tunnel and Yuen long Approach Road sections of Route 3 - Country Park Section.

A Government spokesman said the package offered by the Route 3 (CPS) Co Ltd was the best bid received.

With an estimated target Internal Rate of Return (IRR) of 15.18 per cent, it compared very favourably with other similar "Build, Operate and Transfer" projects in the region, which produced IRRs of between 15 per cent and 25 per cent.

It was lower than the IRR for the Western Harbour Crossing.

The spokesman said this was a good deal. The toll levels were highly competitive. The Government would not be required to give any guarantee or financial support to the project.

The Company would complete the much needed road facility at no expense to the tax payer. Government resources that would otherwise have had to be allowed to this vital project can be used for other public projects which cannot be privatised.

The Bill is modelled upon the Western Harbour Crossing Ordinance. The following improvements have also been achieved during the negotiations with the company:

- \* Government will have the right to impose financial penalties on the franchisee for any default or breach of the enabling Ordinance and the Project Agreement during the operating period;
- \* Government will have the right to direct the franchisee to make by-laws in relation to safety matters;
- \* The franchisee will make public financial and operational information as reasonably requested by the Government; and
- \* The Company will have to treat all applications for installation of utilities within the toll area in a fair and similar manner.

The Bill will be introduced to the Legislative Council on March 8.

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Approval of a video-on-demand trial by HK Telephone Company Ltd

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The Telecommunications Authority (TA) has given his approval to Hong Kong Telephone Company Limited (HKTC) to conduct a commercial trial on Video-on-Demand (VOD), subject to a number of conditions:

- \* Programme Material - HKTC undertakes that no Category III films or "indecent" material as classified under the Control of Obscene and Indecent Articles Ordinance will be used in the trial. HKTC further undertakes not to transmit any advertising materials in the trial.
- \* Open Network Requirement - HKTC will need to open up its network to allow any other potential VOD operator to conduct similar trials on fair and non-discriminatory terms and conditions.
- \* Separation of Accounts - HKTC will need to operate the VOD trial service totally separate from all the existing services that it is operating to ensure that there is no cross subsidisation between the VOD trial and any other services.
- \* The approval is for a trial period of six months and HKTC is permitted to charge tariffs for the trial service as approved by the TA.
- \* The trial is approved without prejudice to the TA's consideration on future proposals on further trials or the actual introduction of a commercial VOD service.

The Telecommunications Authority, Mr Alexander Arena, said: "The approval is given after consideration of the following:

- \* a likely public concern over decency of programme materials to be used in the trial;
- \* the desirability for HKTC as the existing monopoly operator to open up its transmission network for other service providers to be able to perform similar trials under Hong Kong's pro-competition regulatory framework;
- \* the necessary regulatory safeguards to prevent cross-subsidisation between the VOD trial and other services currently operated by HKTC; and

- \* the desirability of Hong Kong to maintain its pre-eminent position in telecommunications in this Region."

VOD is a new technology being developed to allow point-to-point transmission of video pictures and sound through the public telephone network upon the request of a customer.

A detailed Statement by the Telecommunications Authority is available on application to OFTA and is accessible on OFTA's electronic bulletin board on tel 2834 0119.

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#### Pre-qualification for operation of Cross Border Coach Terminus

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The Transport Department is inviting interested parties to apply for pre-qualification to tender for a contract to manage and operate a Cross Border Coach Terminus in Austin Road.

A spokesman for the department said the terminus was located at the ground floor of the Hong Kong Scout Association Headquarters in Austin Road. Successful applicant will be invited to tender for the contract in early 1995.

A notice on the pre-qualification invitation was published in the gazette today (Friday).

The successful tenderer will be required, at its own cost and expense, to fit out the terminus by providing additional facilities and associated equipment, manage and operate the terminus for the operation of cross border coach services, and maintain the interior, all equipment and facilities in the terminus.

Revenue will be generated from charges levied on the cross border coach operators for the use of the terminus as well as other approved income sources such as advertising.

The contractor's remuneration will be in the form of a sharing of such revenue with the Government. Payment to the Government shall be subject to a minimum guaranteed payment.

The spokesman said the contract would be for three years with provisions for extension at the option of the Government.

The successful tenderer will be required to design and fit out the terminus by providing, at his own cost, additional facilities and other associated terminus equipment on top of the existing ones within 120 days from the date of the contract.

Applicants for this pre-qualification are required to provide evidence of experience and competence in the fitting-out, management, operation and maintenance of a transport terminus or termini, or alternatively evidence of ability to engage expertise and resources in these respects from acceptable sources.

Applicants should submit sufficient and relevant information for assessment of their suitability to be qualified for participation in tendering for the contract. They are also required to submit proposals to demonstrate their understanding of the tasks involved.

To avoid conflict of interests and monopoly of using the Austin Road Cross Border Coach Terminus, all existing cross border coach operators and their associated/related companies are prohibited from applying for the pre-qualification.

Pre-qualification documents are obtainable from the reception counter of Transport Department Headquarters, 41st floor, Immigration Tower, 7 Gloucester Road, Wan Chai, by production of a company letter indicating the interest in the pre-qualification.

The documents should be addressed to the Commissioner for Transport, and placed in the Transport Department Tender Box situated at the Transport Department Headquarters at the above-mentioned address before noon on April 7.

Late submissions will not be accepted.

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ACP Exhibition

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The Director of Environmental Protection, Dr Stuart Reed, will officiate at the opening of an exhibition on the Airport Core Programme (ACP) at 11.45 am on Monday (March 6).

The exhibition will be held at the Main Concourse of the Ocean Terminal in Tsim Sha Tsui. You are invited to cover the opening ceremony.

Also officiating at the ceremony will be the Chairman of Yau Tsim Mong District Board, Mr Chow Chun-fai, and the Chairman of the Sham Shui Po District Board, Mr Wong Chung-ki.

The exhibition will last for five days until March 10 (Friday).

It is the 10th exhibition organised by NAPCO since August last year to keep members of the public abreast of works progress of the 10 ACP projects.

More than 150,000 people have attended the previous nine exhibitions.

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Article on salary of middle-level managers and professionals

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The average salary rate for middle-level managers and professionals in the past 11 years showed the highest percentage increase in the financial institutions and insurance sector as compared with that in other economic sectors. Analysed by occupational group, employees engaged in banking and insurance management enjoyed the highest rate of increase in salary rate.

This information is given in a feature article of the February 1995 issue of the Hong Kong Monthly Digest of Statistics.

The article analyses the findings of the Annual Survey of Salaries and Employee Benefits - Managerial and Professional Employees (Excluding Top Management).

The survey has been conducted every year by the Census and Statistics Department since 1984 to collect information about salary rates and fringe benefits of managerial and professional employees from about 200 large companies in selected major economic sectors.

The article also contains the average monthly salary rates in June 1994 for selected common occupations across different economic sectors, and also statistics on the entitlement of middle-level managerial and professional employees to various kinds of fringe benefits.

The February 1995 issue is on sale at \$50 a copy. Purchase can be made at the Government Publications Centre on ground floor, Low Block, Queensway Government Offices, 66 Queensway, Hong Kong.

Copies can also be purchased from the Publications Section of the Census and Statistics Department on 19th floor, Wanchai Tower, 12 Harbour Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong.

Regular subscription can also be arranged with the Publications Sales Section of the Information Services Department (Tel: 2842 8804).

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#### Ecology study in Deep Bay

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The Planning Department today (Friday) signed a consultancy agreement commissioning a firm to conduct a study on the ecological value of fish ponds in the Deep Bay area.

"The primary objective of the study is to establish the level of ecological value, both in qualitative and quantitative terms, of the fish ponds in the Deep Bay area to wildlife, especially waterbirds, and to the Deep Bay wetland ecosystem," a spokesman for the department said.

"The study will review the past ecological and land use changes in the area, including field investigations to collect scientific data on the ecology of the area so as to establish the baseline ecological profile including the components of the ecosystem and the interaction among these components.

"The study will also assess the carrying capacity of the Mai Po Nature Reserve and the fish ponds in the ecosystem as well as the cumulative impact of changes of land uses in the area.

"Further, it will review the current Buffer Zone (BZ) concept which is the basis of development control in the area and identify alternative beneficial uses in the wetland area apart from fish farming. "The findings of the study will serve as a basis for reviewing the relevant provision and planning intentions of the land use zonings on the outline zoning plans in the area."

The study is initiated as a response to the challenge to ecological value of the existing fish ponds within the BZ areas by some developers who have proposed residential developments in the area.

The study team will comprise experts on wetland ecology, wetland conservation and management, ornithology and environmental planning.

The study will commence this month for completion in 17 months.

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#### Yau Tsim fight crime carnival

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The 94-95 Yau Tsim District Fight Crime cum Anti-Narcotics Carnival will be held at the Kowloon Park Piazza tomorrow (Saturday) afternoon.

Organised by the Yau Tsim District Fight Crime Committee, the function will feature performances by pop song singers and the Royal Hong Kong Police Force Band.

Other activities include an exhibition on anti-burglary devices and anti-narcotics information, stall games and a quiz.

Members of the public are welcome to join the carnival which will start at 3 pm.

An opening ceremony will be held at 2.30 pm.

Officiating guests of the ceremony will be the Commissioner for Narcotics, Mr Alasdair Sinclair; the Yau Tsim Mong District Officer, Mr Bart Ireland, and the Yau Tsim Police District Commander, Mr Chris Glover.

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Attention News Editors:

Media representatives are invited to cover the opening of the 94-95 Yau Tsim District Fight Crime cum Anti-Narcotics Carnival which will be held at 2.30 pm at the Kowloon Park Piazza.

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#### New pedestrian subway across Kwun Tong Road to be constructed

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The Government is proposing to construct a new pedestrian subway across Kwun Tong Road near Ting Fu Street.

The opening of the subway will enable closure of the signalised pedestrian crossing in its proximity, thereby improving the traffic flow along Kwun Tong Road and enhancing the safety of pedestrians crossing Kwun Tong Road near Ting Fu Street.

The proposal includes the construction of a new reinforced concrete pedestrian subway with covered ramps and stairs at both ends.

A notice concerning the proposed work was gazetted today (Friday).

The project is scheduled to commence in July this year and will take about 20 months to complete.

The plan and scheme of the works can be seen at the following government offices:

- \* The Central and Western District Office, Public Enquiry Services Centre, Ground Floor, Harbour Building, 38 Pier Road, Central, Hong Kong;

- \* the District Lands Office, Kowloon East, 10th floor, Yau Ma Tei Car Park Building, 250 Shanghai Street, Kowloon and;
- \* the Kwun Tong District Office, Kwun Tong District Branch Office Building, Tung Yan Street, first, third and fourth Floor, Kowloon.

Any person who wishes to object to the works or the use, or both, is required to address his objection in writing to the Secretary for Transport on or before the May 2, 1995.

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#### Closure of North Point illegal structure sought

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The Building Authority is seeking to close an unauthorised structure in North Point so that it can be demolished without endangering the occupants and the public. The single-storey structure used for dwelling is located on the flat roof of a building in 91C Chun Yeung Street.

A notice applying for a Closure Order from the District Court under the Buildings Ordinance on July 7 was posted on the premises today (Friday).

Demolition work is expected to start as soon as the Closure Order is issued.

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#### Study on redevelopment potential in metro areas

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The Planning Department has signed an agreement to commission a consultancy firm to undertake a study on the comprehensive assessment of redevelopment potential in the metro areas of Hong Kong Island, Kowloon, New Kowloon and Tsuen Wan - Kwai Tsing.

A spokesman for the department said today (Friday) that the main objective of the study was to assess the redevelopment potential in the metropolitan area for residential purpose and to estimate possible flat production from redevelopment.

"The study will establish a comprehensively designed, computer-based system that can facilitate rapid assessment of redevelopment potential under various circumstances.

"The existing policies, statutory and institutional frameworks and procedures which facilitate or impede private sector redevelopment will be reviewed.

"Moreover, key areas of high redevelopment potential will be identified and possible means for redressing the constraints for redevelopment in these areas will be broadly examined," the spokesman added.

The study began yesterday and will be completed by mid-1996.

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#### Improvement to King George V Memorial Park

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The Architectural Services Department is inviting tenders for the improvement works for King George V Memorial Park in the Western district.

Works include the construction of an office block, a chess corner, a children's play area, a seven-a-side soccer pitch, a basketball court and sitting-out areas, renovation of the existing garden, and geotechnical improvement works to the slopes. The project is expected to start in May for completion in a year.

Tender forms and further particulars can be obtained from the Architectural Services Department, 34th floor, Queensway Government Offices, 66 Queensway.

Tender offers will close at noon on March 24.

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Construction of dolphin and sea-bed pipeline proposed

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The Government plans to permit an oil company to construct a dolphin and to lay an associated sea-bed pipeline at Kowloon Bay to provide additional mooring facilities for vessels to discharge and convey aviation fuels and lubricants through the pipeline to the fuel farm within the Hong Kong International Airport.

The work will be carried out within an area of about 3.35 hectares of foreshore and sea-bed at Kowloon Bay.

The work will begin after authorisation has been given under the Foreshore and Sea-bed (Reclamation) Ordinance and will be completed in about 10 months.

The extent of the area affected was gazetted today (Friday).

The notice and its related plan can be seen on notice boards posted near the site.

The plan can also be seen at the lands Department's Survey and Mapping Office, 14th floor, Murray Building, Garden Road, and at the Kowloon City District Office, first floor, Morning Joy Building, 141-143 Kau Pui Lung Road, To Kwa Wan, Kowloon.

The plan can also be purchased at the Survey and Mapping Office.

Any person who considers that he has an interest, right or easement in or over the foreshore and sea-bed involved may submit a written objection to the Director of Lands on or before May 3, 1995.

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Government approves redevelopment in Tuen Mun

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The Government has approved in principle a comprehensive redevelopment in Area 5B, Tuen Mun.

The redevelopment programme will comprise residential/ commercial developments, a secondary school and Government/Institution/Community developments.

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The notice and its related plans can be seen on notice boards posted near the site. The plan can also be seen at the Lands Department's Survey and Mapping Office, 14th floor, Murray Building, Garden Road; and at the Yuen Long District Office, ground floor, Yuen Long District Branch Offices Building, 269 Castle Peak Road, Yuen Long.

Any person who considers that his interest, right or easement in or over the foreshore and seabed involved will be affected, may submit a written objection to the Director of Lands before May 3, 1995.

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TOC exhibition opens tomorrow

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Teachers, parents and members of the public will be able to get a more comprehensive picture of exactly how Target Oriented Curriculum (TOC) will be taught and students assessed in Hong Kong's Primary 1 classes at the Education Department's roving exhibition which opens tomorrow (Saturday) at Cityplaza II in Taikoo Shing.

Sample pages of TOC learning packages, assessment forms and report forms will for the first time be displayed and a video will explain the concept and benefits of the curriculum.

Also for the first time, a list of the 76 schools that will adapt TOC in Primary 1 in Phase I of the scheme in September 1995 will be displayed at the exhibition.

The opening ceremony, which will take place at 1 pm at Centre Bridge, second floor, Cityplaza II, Taikoo Shing, will be officiated by the Director of Education, Mr W K Lam.

He will be joined by a large officiating party comprising educators and key personnel from major school sponsoring bodies.

They include: Mr Kenneth Ting, Chairman of the Curriculum Development Council; Mr Kenneth Mak of Po Leung Kuk; Mrs Angela Cheung of Tung Wah Group of Hospitals; Mr Lawrence Lo from the Catholic Education Office; Mr Timothy Ha, Secretary of the Anglican Diocesan Education; Mr S Y Chiu of the Buddhist Association; Rev C C Ng of the Hong Kong Council of the Church of Christ in China; Mr W K Lo of Sik Sik Yuen; and Major Laurence Hay of the Salvation Army.

The roving exhibition will be staged over a 10-day period at five popular shopping arcades throughout the territory: second floor, Cityplaza II on 4 and 5 March; pedestrian deck outside the cinema at Lok Fu Shopping Centre Phase II on March 6 and 7; Entrance Arena at Sha Tin New Town Plaza I on March 8 and 9; Level 2 shopping arcade at Metroplaza in Kwai Fong on March 10 and 11; and entrance exhibition hall at Yuen Long Plaza on March 12 and 13.

Education Department officers will be available to answer questions on TOC from visitors daily between noon and 7 pm.

The roving exhibition represents part of the Education Department's effort to inform the teachers and members of the public about the concept and benefits of TOC which will be fully implemented in Primary 1 classes in Hong Kong in September next year.

Also starting tomorrow will be a total of 83 district seminars on TOC for parents in 14 locations throughout the territory.

A spokesman for the Education Department said the roving exhibition would be like a mobile showroom on TOC.

"Teachers and other members of the public are strongly encouraged to visit the exhibition to get a picture of the new initiative that will affect the learning of young school children in Hong Kong," the spokesman said.

"In particular, parents of Kindergarten 3 pupils who have to select schools for their children by March 13, 1995 for central allocation of Primary 1 places are advised to visit the exhibition."

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Attention News Editors:

Media representatives are invited to cover the opening ceremony of the TOC roving exhibition at 1 pm tomorrow (Saturday) at Centre Bridge, second floor, Cityplaza II, Taikoo Shing.

The Director of Education, Mr W K Lam, will officiate at the ceremony.

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