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\$135M PROJECT TO IMPROVE YUEN LONG NULLAH

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THE GOVERNMENT HAS EMBARKED ON A \$135 MILLION PROJECT TO TACKLE THE POLLUTION PROBLEM OF THE YUEN LONG NULLAH, THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT OFFICER, MR ROBIN IP, SAID THIS (SUNDAY) AFTERNOON.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE DISTRICT'S CIVIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN AT THE YUEN LONG TOWN HALL, MR IP SAID THE PROJECT WOULD INCLUDE DESILTING THE WATERWAY, AND BUILDING LOW FLOW CHANNELS AND INFLATABLE DAMS.

"THIS IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN THE MIDDLE OF NEXT YEAR," HE SAID.

ON OTHER MATTERS, MR IP STRESSED THAT THE RIGHT TO VOTE IN ELECTIONS WAS AN IMPORTANT RIGHT ENJOYED BY HONG KONG CITIZENS.

"THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL BY-ELECTION FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES WEST CONSTITUENCY, WHICH INCLUDES YUEN LONG AND TUEN MUN DISTRICTS, HAS BEEN FIXED FOR DECEMBER 8 (SUNDAY)," HE SAID.

HE CALLED ON REGISTERED VOTERS NOT TO MISS THIS CHANCE TO ELECT THEIR IDEAL REPRESENTATIVE TO THE COUNCIL.

THE HONG KONG TOURISM CARNIVAL WAS HELD AT THE TOWN HALL AFTER THE CIVIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN OPENING CEREMONY.

BESIDES STALL GAMES, THERE WAS AN EXHIBITION ON TOURIST ATTRACTIONS IN THE DISTRICT.

THE EXHIBITION WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC DAILY FROM 10 AM TO 6 PM UNTIL OCTOBER 30. ADMISSION IS FREE.

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RAT PREVENTION CAMPAIGN STARTS NEXT MONTH

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THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH WILL BE LAUNCHING A TERRITORY-WIDE RAT PREVENTION EDUCATION CAMPAIGN IN THE NEXT TWO MONTHS (NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER) TO REMIND THE PUBLIC OF THE IMPORTANCE OF A CLEAN AND HYGIENIC ENVIRONMENT.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (SUNDAY) THAT THE CAMPAIGN, UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE URBAN AND REGIONAL COUNCILS, AIMS TO HIGHLIGHT THE HAZARDS TO HEALTH THAT RATS BRING.

HE CALLED FOR THE PUBLIC'S FULL CO-OPERATION IN CARRYING OUT RODENT CONTROL MEASURES, POINTING OUT THAT RATS CREATE NUISANCE AND DAMAGE HOME FURNITURE AND FITTINGS.

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"RATS ARE NOT ONLY CARRIERS OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES SUCH AS PLAQUE AND TYPHUS, THEY ALSO INDIRECTLY TRANSMIT GASTRO-INTESTINAL DISEASES SUCH AS CHOLERA, TYPHOID FEVER AND FOOD POISONING," THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

DURING THE CAMPAIGN PERIOD, EDUCATIONAL LITERATURES ON RAT PREVENTION SUCH AS POSTERS, ADVISORY LETTERS AND LEAFLETS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO BUILDING MANAGEMENT BODIES, OWNERS' INCORPORATIONS, MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES, FOOD PREMISES, MARKETS, HOUSING ESTATES AND SCHOOLS.

A 24-HOUR TELEPHONE SERVICE (723 0013) WILL ALSO BE IN OPERATION TO PROVIDE THE PUBLIC A PRE-RECORDED MESSAGE IN CANTONESE ON RAT PREVENTION.

AS FOR THE ADVICE OR ASSISTANCE ON RAT PREVENTION, THIS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE DISTRICT PEST CONTROL UNITS OF THE URBAN SERVICES AND REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENTS.

MEANWHILE, THE SPOKESMAN ADVISED THE PUBLIC TO TAKE HEED OF THE FOLLOWING PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES TO PREVENT RAT INFESTATION:

- * IMPROVE ENVIRONMENTAL SANITATION TO DEPRIVE RATS OF FOOD SUPPLIES;
- * KEEP BUILDINGS IN GOOD REPAIR AND FILL UP CRACKED PAVINGS AND HOLES IN WALLS TO DEPRIVE RATS OF HARBOURAGE;
- * KEEP PREMISES AND COMMON PARTS OF BUILDINGS CLEAN AND FREE FROM DISUSED FURNITURE AND JUNK;
- * STORE FOOD PROPERLY IN COVERED CONTAINERS; AND
- * STORE FOOD WASTE AND REFUSE IN TIGHTLY COVERED DUSTBINS PENDING DISPOSAL.

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LABOUR RELATIONS CONFERENCE DRAWS KEEN RESPONSE

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THE HONG KONG LABOUR RELATIONS 91 CONFERENCE TO BE HELD EARLY NEXT MONTH IS SET TO HELP EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES MEET BOTH PRESENT AND FUTURE CHALLENGES IN A FAST CHANGING ECONOMY SUCH AS HONG KONG, A LABOUR DEPARTMENT SENIOR OFFICIAL SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

"THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE IS THE LARGEST AND THE ONLY ONE OF ITS KIND HELD IN HONG KONG WHICH HIGHLIGHTS THE IMPORTANCE OF HARMONIOUS LABOUR RELATIONS IN OUR NEW POLITICAL, SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT," THE CHIEF LABOUR OFFICER, MR JAMES YEUNG, SAID.

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"THE FACT THAT THE EVENT WAS WELL-SUBSCRIBED BY MANY LEADING COMPANIES IN THE PAST YEARS IS A CLEAR INDICATION OF ITS SUCCESS AND POPULARITY WITH LOCAL EMPLOYERS," MR YEUNG STRESSED.

"WE HAVE SO FAR RECEIVED ABOUT 500 APPLICATIONS FOR ENROLMENT FROM EMPLOYERS, SENIOR MANAGERS, TRADE UNION LEADERS, SCHOLARS AND PROFESSIONALS.

"APPLICATION IS STILL OPEN AND THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED SHOULD MAKE USE OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO ENROL IMMEDIATELY," HE ADDED.

THIS YEAR'S CONFERENCE, WHICH CARRIES THE THEME "LABOUR RELATIONS IN HONG KONG'S CHANGING ECONOMIC SCENE", WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 4 AT THE HONG KONG CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTRE.

IT IS ORGANISED JOINTLY BY THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT AND THE LABOUR RELATIONS PROMOTION SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE LABOUR ADVISORY BOARD.

EXPERTS IN THE FIELD FROM THE PRIVATE SECTOR WILL BE INVITED TO TALK ON SUCH TOPICS AS CORPORATE STRATEGIES IN THE PURSUIT OF TOTAL QUALITY IN TIMES OF RAPID CHANGES, LABOUR SHORTAGE AND DEVELOPMENT OF TRADE UNION MOVEMENT IN HONG KONG IN THE 90'S.

OTHER TOPICS INCLUDE CONSULTATION AND DECISION-MAKING PROCESS FOR FORMULATING LEGISLATION IN THE NEW POLITICAL ENVIRONMENT AND THE STATE OF LABOUR RELATIONS IN THE RAPIDLY CHANGING ECONOMIES OF SINGAPORE, SOUTH KOREA AND TAIWAN.

THERE WILL ALSO BE WORKSHOPS ON VARIOUS OTHER SUBJECTS, RANGING FROM CASE STUDIES OF EMPLOYERS' MEASURES TO TACKLE LABOUR SHORTAGE TO LEGAL FRAMEWORK AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC REALITIES IN THE 90'S AS WELL AS OPPORTUNITIES FOR PARTICIPANTS TO SHARE EXPERIENCES AND KNOWLEDGE.

THE CONFERENCE WILL BE CONDUCTED MAINLY IN CANTONESE, WITH SIMULTANEOUS INTERPRETATION SERVICE IN MOST PARTS.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE OBTAINABLE FROM ALL LABOUR RELATIONS SERVICE BRANCH OFFICES OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT. FURTHER ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON TEL. 834 9311, 834 9307 OR 834 9335.

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53 NEW BUILDING PLANS APPROVED IN AUGUST

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THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE OFFICE OF THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT APPROVED 53 NEW BUILDING PLANS IN AUGUST.

OF THESE, 23 WERE FOR KOWLOON AND 15 EACH FOR HONG KONG ISLAND AND THE NEW TERRITORIES.

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THE APPROVED PLANS INCLUDED 34 FOR APARTMENT, APARTMENT/COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS, FIVE FOR COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND THREE FOR EITHER FACTORY, WORKSHOP OR GODOWN PURPOSES.

DURING THE MONTH, THE OFFICE GAVE CONSENT FOR WORK TO START ON 48 PROJECTS, INVOLVING 29,179.4 SQUARE METRES OF USABLE DOMESTIC FLOOR AREA AND 282,113.1 SQUARE METRES OF USABLE NON-DOMESTIC FLOOR AREA.

THE TOTAL DECLARED COST OF NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED DURING THE MONTH WAS ABOUT \$2,270 MILLION. USABLE FLOOR AREAS FOR DOMESTIC AND NON-DOMESTIC USES WERE ABOUT 112,766.5 SQUARE METRES AND ABOUT 168,852.6 SQUARE METRES RESPECTIVELY.

ALSO DURING THE MONTH, THE OFFICE ISSUED 49 OCCUPATION PERMITS; 17 FOR HONG KONG ISLAND AND 16 EACH FOR KOWLOON AND THE NEW TERRITORIES.

IN ADDITION, 28 DEMOLITION CONSENTS AFFECTING 56 BUILDINGS WERE ISSUED.

THE CONTROL AND ENFORCEMENT DIVISION RECEIVED 592 COMPLAINTS ON ILLEGAL BUILDING WORKS, CARRIED OUT 1,171 INSPECTIONS AND ISSUED 229 REMOVAL ORDERS.

THE DANGEROUS BUILDINGS SECTION INSPECTED 604 BUILDINGS AND OBTAINED THREE EMERGENCY CLOSURE ORDERS.

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CHILD SUPPLEMENT FOR FAMILIES ON PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

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CHILDREN OF FAMILIES ON PUBLIC ASSISTANCE WILL BE ENTITLED TO A SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT OF \$185 PER MONTH, STARTING NEXT MONTH, TO COPE WITH NEEDS FOR THEIR FULL DEVELOPMENT, A SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

THE CHILD SUPPLEMENT IS A PROPOSAL IN THE WHITE PAPER ON SOCIAL WELFARE INTO THE 1990'S AND BEYOND PUBLISHED IN MARCH.

"AN ESTIMATED 20,000 CHILDREN ARE EXPECTED TO BE BENEFITTED FROM THE SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT WHICH WILL BE PAID TO CHILDREN AGED UNDER 15 AND THOSE UP TO 18 IF THEY ARE RECEIVING FULL-TIME EDUCATION AND NOT RECEIVING EDUCATIONAL GRANTS," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

AT PRESENT, APART FROM A BASIC RATE FOR A CHILD'S MAINTENANCE, FAMILIES MAY RECEIVE ADDITIONAL GRANTS TO COVER THE SPECIFIC NEEDS OF DEPENDENT CHILDREN ON AN ITEM-BY-ITEM BASIS.

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FOR INSTANCE, ALLOWANCES TO MEET SCHOOL FEES, COSTS OF SCHOOL UNIFORMS AND TEXTBOOKS, FARES TO SCHOOL, AND FEES FOR NURSERIES OR CRECHES ARE ALSO PAID.

"HOWEVER, IT WAS AGREED THAT IN ADDITION TO THE BASIC RATE AS WELL AS THE SPECIAL GRANTS TO MEET ACTUAL EXPENSES INCURRED, A CHILD SUPPLEMENT SHOULD BE PAID FOR THE HEALTHY DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN, WHO HAVE SPECIAL NEEDS LIKE THE ELDERLY AND THE DISABLED," THE SPOKESMAN NOTED.

THE CHILD SUPPLEMENT, PAID AT A FLAT RATE OF \$185 BASED ON ONE-QUARTER OF THE PREVAILING BASIC RATE TO A SINGLE PERSON, IS THEREFORE RECOMMENDED TO CHILDREN ON PUBLIC ASSISTANCE.

IT IS EXPECTED THAT SPECIAL NEEDS OF CHILDREN FOR EXTRA FOOD, CLOTHING AND EXPENSES RELATED TO SOCIAL AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES COULD BE MET BY THE SUPPLEMENT, HE ADDED.

SWD'S SOCIAL SECURITY FIELD UNITS WILL ARRANGE TO MAKE NECESSARY ADJUSTMENTS FOR EXISTING CASES.

FOR ENQUIRIES, PUBLIC ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS CAN CONTACT SWD FIELD UNITS BY PHONE OR IN PERSON.

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NOMINATION INVITED FOR COMMONWEALTH YOUTH AWARDS SCHEME
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THE COMMONWEALTH YOUTH SERVICE AWARDS SCHEME FOR 1992 IS NOW OPEN FOR NOMINATION.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION SAID YOUTH ORGANISATIONS, TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS AND VOLUNTARY BODIES COULD NOMINATE CANDIDATES FOR THE SCHEME.

"YOUNG PEOPLE CAN ALSO NOMINATE THEMSELVES IF THEY THINK THEIR YOUTH PROJECTS HAVE MET THE CRITERIA UNDER THE SCHEME," HE SAID.

CREATED IN 1985 TO COMMEMORATE THE INTERNATIONAL YOUTH YEAR, THE SCHEME IS DESIGNED TO RECOGNISE AND REWARD THE CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY YOUNG PEOPLE AGED UNDER 30 TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THEIR SOCIETIES, HE SAID.

"IT IS ALSO MEANT TO RECOGNISE ACHIEVEMENTS OF YOUTH WORKING IN SMALL GROUPS, NORMALLY 20 OR FEWER, WHICH MAY SERVE AS AN INSPIRATION TO OTHER YOUNG PEOPLE TO WORK TOGETHER.

"ANOTHER OBJECTIVE IS TO FOSTER CO-OPERATION AND EXCHANGE OF IDEAS AND EXPERIENCE AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE," HE SAID.

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THIS YEAR, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED, TWO PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS BY LOCAL YOUTHS WILL BE SELECTED TO REPRESENT HONG KONG IN THE SCHEME.

OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS, HONG KONG HAS WON THE AWARD TWICE, IN 1986 AND LAST YEAR BY THE CHEUNG WAH CHILDREN AND YOUTH CENTRE'S "GREEN MOVEMENT ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION CAMPAIGN" PROJECT.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID UP TO FIVE AWARDS WILL BE GIVEN EACH YEAR WITH NO MORE THAN TWO FOR A SINGLE COUNTRY OR TERRITORY REPRESENTED UNDER THE PROGRAMME.

AWARDS WILL TAKE THE FORM OF A GRANT OF \$1,000 TO THE WINNING PROJECT TEAM TO ENABLE THEM TO FURTHER THEIR TEAM'S WORK, HE SAID, ADDING THAT LETTERS OF COMMENDATION WOULD BE GIVEN TO TWO OTHER OUTSTANDING TEAMS EACH YEAR.

NOMINATIONS, TO BE SUPPORTED BY PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS, SHOULD REACH THE YOUTH DIVISION, CNTA, 31ST FLOOR, SOUTHOEN CENTRE, 130 HENNESSY ROAD, WAN CHAI ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 15 THIS YEAR.

HONG KONG'S TWO SELECTED PROJECTS WILL BE SENT TO MALE, REPUBLIC OF MALDIVES, FOR ADJUDICATION BY THE INTERNATIONAL AWARDS PANEL IN APRIL NEXT YEAR.

ENQUIRIES ON THE SCHEME CAN BE MADE ON TEL. 835 1371.

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EASTERN CLEAN HK FORTNIGHT STARTS

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THE EASTERN DISTRICT'S CLEAN HONG KONG FORTNIGHT STARTS TODAY (SUNDAY).

MORE THAN 30 PEOPLE, INCLUDING SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS, TOURED THE HARBOUR TODAY ON BOARD SIX SAMPANS TO PUT ACROSS THE "CLEAN HONG KONG" MESSAGE.

LED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR STEVE BARCLAY, AND THE DB CHAIRMAN, MR SHUM CHOI-SANG, THEY DISTRIBUTED COLOURFUL PENNANTS AND UMBRELLAS TO BOAT DWELLERS.

A POPULAR THEME SONG WAS ALSO BROADCAST TO ENHANCE THE FLOATING POPULATION'S AWARENESS OF THE IMPORTANCE OF KEEPING THE HARBOUR CLEAN.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE DB'S CLEAN HONG KONG WORKING GROUP, MR KONG TZE-WING, SAID AT THE FUNCTION'S LAUNCHING THAT THE TWO-WEEK PROGRAMME WOULD NOT ONLY BE TARGETTED AT BOAT DWELLERS, BUT RESIDENTS ON LAND AS WELL.

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"WITH ASSISTANCE FROM MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES AND OWNERS CORPORATIONS, POSTERS ON ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANLINESS AND HYGIENE WILL BE DISPLAYED AT PROMINENT LOCATIONS IN THE DISTRICT'S RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS.

"IN ADDITION, A LIST OF ENVIRONMENTAL BLACK SPOTS IDENTIFIED BY AREA COMMITTEES HAS ALREADY BEEN REFERRED TO THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT FOR FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS," HE SAID.

ALSO TAKING PART IN TODAY'S PUBLICITY TOUR WERE DB MEMBERS MR MAN SAI-CHEONG, MS CHRISTINA TING, MR ALEXANDER FU AND MR HO SIU-CHAM.

IT STARTED AT ALDRICH BAY TYPHOON SHELTER, WHERE THE LAUNCHING CEREMONY WAS HELD, AND ALSO COVERED CAUSEWAY BAY TYPHOON SHELTER AND THE CHAI WAN CARGO HANDLING BASIN.

THE ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANLINESS PROGRAMME HAS BEEN JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD AND DISTRICT OFFICE IN SUPPORT OF THE TERRITORY-WIDE "CLEAN HONG KONG CAMPAIGN".

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YOUTH STRING MUSIC FESTIVAL NEXT MONTH

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YOUNG STRING PLAYERS WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO GET TOGETHER TO DEVELOP THEIR MUSICAL TALENTS THROUGH A SERIES OF CONCERTS, DEMONSTRATIONS AND MASTERCLASSES IN THE 1991 HONG KONG YOUTH STRING MUSIC FESTIVAL TO BE HELD FROM NOVEMBER 10 TO 16.

THE FESTIVAL IS THE THIRD OF ITS KIND ORGANISED BY THE MUSIC OFFICE TO PROMOTE PUBLIC INTEREST AND UNDERSTANDING IN STRING MUSIC.

THE FESTIVAL WILL START WITH AN INTERFLOW CONCERT AT SHA TIN TOWN HALL ON NOVEMBER 10 DURING WHICH ABOUT 800 TEENAGE MUSICIANS WILL PERFORM A NUMBER OF FAMOUS CLASSICAL PIECES. ADMISSION IS FREE.

APART FROM THE PARTICIPATION OF LOCAL YOUNG MUSICIANS, TWO ACCLAIMED ASIAN ARTISTS, NAMELY KOREAN VIOLINIST MISS KIM NAM-YUN AND AMERICAN CHINESE CELLIST MISS ANGELA LEE, WILL BE INVITED TO GIVE LECTURES AND MASTERCLASSES DURING THE FESTIVAL.

THE TWO WILL ALSO PERFORM AT THE CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERT AND THE FINALE CONCERT TO BE HELD AT THE HONG KONG ACADEMY FOR PERFORMING ARTS ON NOVEMBER 15 AND 16 RESPECTIVELY. BOTH CONCERTS WILL BEGIN AT 8 PM.

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PIECES TO BE PERFORMED IN THE TWO CONCERTS INCLUDE BRITTEN'S SIMPLE SYMPHONY FOR STRING ORCHESTRA (FOURTH MOVEMENT), MENDELSSOHN'S VIOLIN CONCERTO, ELGAR'S CELLO CONCERTO AND BRAHMS'S DOUBLE CONCERTO FOR VIOLIN AND CELLO.

TO ADD COLOUR TO THE FESTIVAL, A VIOLIN SOLI CONTEST WILL BE HELD AT THE CITY HALL RECITAL HALL ON NOVEMBER 12. A NUMBER OF STRING ENSEMBLES FROM VARIOUS SCHOOLS AND AMATEUR GROUPS WILL BE COMPETING.

TICKETS FOR THE CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERT AT \$20 AND \$40 EACH AND FOR THE FINALE CONCERT AT \$30 AND \$50 EACH ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT ALL URBIX OUTLETS. ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON TEL. 802 0657.

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SEMINAR ON ADOPTION SERVICES FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS
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A ONE-DAY SEMINAR IS TO BE HELD NEXT MONTH TO ENHANCE PUBLIC AND SERVICE-PROVIDERS' AWARENESS AND SUPPORT OF CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS AWAITING ADOPTION, A SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT (SWD) SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

MORE THAN 120 PEOPLE, INCLUDING ADOPTIVE PARENTS AND FRONT-LINE WORKERS IN CHILD WELFARE SERVICE, WILL ATTEND THE SEMINAR WHICH IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY SWD'S ADOPTION UNIT, THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL SERVICE (HONG KONG BRANCH), MOTHER'S CHOICE AND THE ADOPTION SUPPORT GROUP.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE SEMINAR WILL BE THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR M.D. CARTLAND.

GUEST SPEAKERS WILL INCLUDE REGIONAL OFFICER (HONG KONG) OF SWD, MRS PATRICIA CHU, AND SUPERINTENDENT OF PINE HILL VILLAGE, MS NORA WONG.

EXPERTS IN THE ADOPTION FIELD FROM THE UNITED STATES AND AUSTRALIA WILL ALSO GIVE TALKS ON THE SERVICES ABROAD.

THE OCCASION WILL SURELY BE A VALUABLE OPPORTUNITY FOR SHARING AND EXCHANGE OF EXPERIENCES.

THE SEMINAR WILL BE HELD AT THE LADY TRENCH TRAINING CENTRE OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT ON NOVEMBER 1 (FRIDAY), BEGINNING AT 9.30 AM.

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WATER CUT IN EAST KOWLOON

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FLUSHING WATER SUPPLY TO SOME AREAS IN EAST KOWLOON WILL BE SUSPENDED ON TUESDAY (OCTOBER 29) FROM 9.30 AM TO 4 PM TO FACILITATE MAINTENANCE WORKS.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT SAN PO KONG, NGAU CHI WAN, CHOI HUNG ESTATE, CHOI WAN ESTATE, PING SHEK ESTATE, SHUN LEE ESTATE, SHUN TIN ESTATE, SHUN ON ESTATE, SHUN CHI COURT, SHUN LEE TSUEN TEMPORARY HOUSING AREA, NGAU TAU KOK, JORDAN VALLEY, KOWLOON BAY, KWUN TONG, LAM TIN, SAU MAU PING AND CHA KWO LING.

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BARGAINS AT CSD AUTUMN FAIR

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THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT (CSD) WILL HOLD A BARGAIN SALE OF STUFFED TOYS AND HANDICRAFT ITEMS FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AT ITS AUTUMN FAIR ON SATURDAY (NOVEMBER 2).

ALL PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE WILL BE DONATED TO CHARITABLE ORGANISATIONS.

THE FAIR MARKS THE ANNUAL SALE OF ARTS AND HANDICRAFT PRODUCTS MADE BY INMATES DURING THEIR DETENTION IN VARIOUS PENAL INSTITUTIONS RUN BY THE DEPARTMENT.

"THE PURPOSE OF THE FAIR IS TO MOTIVATE THE INMATES TO ADOPT A POSITIVE ATTITUDE TOWARDS THEIR FUTURE AS WELL AS TO ENHANCE THEIR SENSE OF CONTRIBUTION TO SOCIETY," A CSD SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN NOTED THAT THE FAIR HAD BECOME AN ANNUAL EVENT POPULAR WITH THE PUBLIC, PARTICULARLY BARGAIN HUNTERS.

"LAST YEAR, OUR FAIR ATTRACTED THOUSANDS OF VISITORS WHO WERE GENERALLY HAPPY WITH THE WIDE RANGE OF GOOD-QUALITY AND LOW-PRICE PRODUCTS ON SALE THERE," HE ADDED.

PRODUCTS OFFERED AT THE FAIR THIS YEAR WILL INCLUDE STUFFED TOYS, HANDICRAFTS, RATTAN AND WOODEN FURNITURE. THEY WILL BE ON SALE AT SOME 30 STALLS.

THERE WILL ALSO BE GAME STALLS FOR CHILDREN.

IN ADDITION, THE TAI TAM GIRL PIPERS AND MARCHING TEAM AND CAPE COLLINSON BAND WILL PERFORM AT THE FAIR.

THE FAIR WILL BE HELD BETWEEN NOON AND 5 PM AT THE FOOTBALL FIELD NEXT TO STANLEY PRISON. ADMISSION IS FREE.

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