



# DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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Daily guide to wholesale prices and supply of basic food commodities

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STUDY ON WASTE DISPOSAL EXTENDED

Report Expected Mid-1974

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Approval has been given to extend the scope of an investigation commissioned by the Public Works Department to determine the most suitable method or methods of solid waste disposal in Hong Kong.

The consulting engineers, Maunsell Consultants Asia, were originally appointed to undertake a comprehensive study of solid waste disposal on Hong Kong Island following difficulties experienced in locating a suitable site for a second incineration plant on the Island.

A P.W.D. spokesman said the study was extended to cover Kowloon and the New Territories on the advice that the problem of solid waste disposal on Hong Kong Island should not be considered in isolation.

"It is necessary to consider alternative methods to incineration for the disposal of solid wastes not only because of the difficulties in finding acceptable sites for incineration plants but also because of the considerable time which must elapse between conception and actual operation of a modern incinerator to deal with large quantities of waste," he said.

The consultants will be giving consideration to both long-term and shorter-term solutions to the problem and will prepare a programme for the provision of solid waste disposal facilities for the next ten years. This will include recommendations on suitable sites for treatment plants and tips.

A report is expected to be submitted by the middle of this year.

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HANDBOOKS FOR DIRECTORS

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Fresh supplies of books recommended to directors by the Companies Law Revision Committee are now available.

In its Second Report published last August the Committee urged all directors to acquaint themselves with the principal requirements of the law and the standards of ethical conduct followed by the best companies.

To enable directors to do so, the Committee arranged for supplies of two books prepared by or under the authority of the Institute of Directors in London to be made available.

These were 'Standard Boardroom Practice' giving advice on how directors should deal with the normal problems that arise in running a company, and 'The Company Director' giving a concise outline of directors' functions, rights and obligations.

Such was the response to the Committee's advice that the supplies were sold out within a few days.

Copies of both books may now be obtained from the Government Publications Centre, Star Ferry Concourse, Hong Kong. 'Standard Boardroom Practice', now renamed 'Guidelines for Directors', costs \$12 per copy, 'The Company Director' \$35 a copy.

The demand for the Chinese version of 'Standard Boardroom Practice' has been so great that the first printing of 1,000 copies has been sold out. A further supply is being printed and an announcement will be made when copies are available.

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PO LEUNG KUK'S EFFORTS IN WELFARE SERVICES PRAISED

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The Director of Social Welfare, Mr. Kenneth Topley, today commended the Po Leung Kuk for its keen identification of welfare needs in various areas and for its efforts towards meeting these needs.

He was speaking at the opening of the Kuk's Yum Jee Nursery in Nam Long Shan Road, Wong Chuk Hang. The day nursery is the first to be run on a non-profit-making basis by a reputable welfare organization in Wong Chuk Hang.

"This is indeed a welcome service for the residents in this area where the growing population is not yet matched by the provision of those day care services needed in an industrial society where more and more married women enter or remain in the labour force," Mr. Topley said.

He noted that the Kuk was no newcomer in this field as it already operates three nurseries in the densely populated areas of Causeway Bay, Lam Tin and Yau Tong.

"The good attendance of these existing nurseries run by the Kuk are indications of the demand for the service and, particularly, of the recognition of the good work done by the Kuk as well as the confidence people place in their standard and quality of service," he said.

Mr. Topley pointed out that for working parents a day nursery is a much needed service and good standard nurseries are all the more important if the physical, emotional and social developments of children in their early years are to be promoted.

"In this project, the government is involved in the giving of annual subvention to meet a great part of the recurrent expenditure. With the experience of the Kuk and the government subsidy, it can be expected that the standard of service will be high," he said.

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Note to Editors: Copies of Mr. Topley's speech are boxed for collection.

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CHAI WAN COMMUNITY CENTRE

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Residents in Chai Wan will not have to go far for recreational and group activities when a community centre, now under construction in the district, is completed by the end of this year.

The building cost of more than \$2.3 million is being met by the Hong Kong Council of Social Service. The centre will be named in memory of the Council's late chairman, Mrs. Mary Wong.

It will be known as the Chai Wan Community Centre - Mary Wong Memorial Building.

It is a six-storey building and upon completion will be operated by the Social Welfare Department.

The ground floor will accommodate a youth coffee bar, a basketball court and a multi-purpose hall. The first, second and third floors will be used for community work, children, youth and adult group activities and casework services.

A library with reading material suitable for both adults and children will occupy the fourth floor, while the fifth floor will house a nursery. The roof will be reserved for a playground.

Like other community centres, concerts, film shows and Chinese operas will be organised for young and old alike. They will be able to take part in social activities like painting and calligraphy, chess games, table tennis, Chinese boxing and judo.

All the services will be managed by the Social Welfare Department, the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association and the Salvation Army.

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TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF TAI PO ROAD

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To facilitate the construction of a temporary overhead bridge at Ma Niu, the section of Tai Po Road near Ho Tung Lau will be closed at night from 11.45 p.m. to 6 a.m. this Friday and Saturday (February 22-23).

The road will be temporarily open to traffic for five minutes every hour during the closure. Traffic signs will be posted to guide motorists but they are advised to avoid the area on the two nights.

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WATER CUT AT TUEN MUN

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Water supply to a number of premises along Castle Peak Road will be interrupted for eight hours starting from 10 p.m. on Thursday (February 21) to facilitate a water mains connection at the 18½ milestone.

The area affected by the temporary stoppage lies between the 16 and 20 milestones. It includes Tai Lam Chung Tsuen, Siu Lam Tsuen, Gordon Camp, the Psychiatric Centre, Siu Lam Hospital, Dragon Inn, Ching Wah Lane and Tseng Tau Wai Tsuen.

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CONSUMER ADVISORY SERVICE

Daily Guide To Wholesale Market Prices And Supplies

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The following prices were realised today (Tuesday) at sales under the Rice Control Scheme and at the Vegetable Marketing Organisation Wholesale Market and the Fish Marketing Organisation Wholesale Market at Cheung Sha Wan, Kowloon:

Supplies and Wholesale Prices of Rice

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Availability of Supply</u>	<u>Wholesale Price (\$/catty)</u>
<u>China Rice</u>		<u>Average</u>
See Mow -- old crop	Good	-
-- new crop		-
S.C.Jion -- old crop	Good	-
Po Ngai	Good	-
Chu Cho	Good	-
<u>Thai Rice</u>	Good	-
100% Whole		-
10-15% Broken	Good	-
A1 Super Extra	Good	-
A1 Super	Good	-
Whole Glutinous	Good	-
<u>U.S. Rice</u>	Good	-
<u>Australian Rice</u>	Good	-
<u>Pakistan Rice</u>	Good	-
<u>Taiwan Rice</u>	Good	-

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Supplies and Wholesale Prices of Marine Fish

<u>Species</u>	<u>Availability of Supply</u>	<u>Wholesale Price (\$/catty)</u>		
		<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>	<u>Average</u>
Golden Thread	Good	3.8	2.5	3.0
Big-Eyes	Good	2.5	0.8	1.8
Squid	Limited	5.5	2.5	4.5
Hair-Tails	Good	1.7	0.8	1.3
Lizard Fishes	Normal	2.5	1.2	1.8
Croakers	Normal	1.85	0.8	1.5
Conger-Pike-Eels	Good	2.8	2.4	2.6
Melon Coat	Limited	2.2	1.4	1.6
Breams	Limited	4.8	3.0	4.0
Yellow Belly	Good	1.5	0.7	1.3
Mackerels	Good	3.2	2.0	2.8
Red Goat Fish	Good	2.5	0.7	1.5
Fork-Tail	Normal	1.5	1.0	1.2
Horse-Head	Normal	5.0	3.2	4.2
Melon Seed	Normal	3.0	1.8	2.7
Pomfrets	-	-	-	-
Garoupas	Normal	7.5	5.0	6.0
Yellow Croaker	-	-	-	-

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Supplies and Wholesale Prices of  
Locally Produced Vegetables

<u>Type</u>	<u>Availability of Supply</u>	<u>Wholesale Price (\$/catty)</u>		
		<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>	<u>Average</u>
Flowering cabbage	Normal	1.4	0.4	0.9
White cabbage	Normal	0.8	0.2	0.6
Chinese Lettuce	Normal	0.6	0.15	0.45
Chinese Kale	Good	0.8	0.2	0.5
Spring onion	Limited	1.2	0.4	0.8
Spinach	Good	0.7	0.15	0.4
Water cress	Normal	1.0	0.2	0.55
Leaf mustard cabbage	Limited	0.6	0.2	0.4
Tomato	Limited	1.6	0.6	1.2

Supplies and Wholesale Prices of Pork (Live weight)

	<u>Availability of Supply</u>	<u>Wholesale Price</u>
		<u>(\$/ picul)</u>
		(Average)
Pork	Good	. 300

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