



DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

ISSUED BY GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICES
BEACONSFIELD HOUSE, HONG KONG. TEL: 5-233191

FRIDAY, JULY 9, 1982

<u>CONTENTS</u>	<u>PAGE NO.</u>
ANTI-SMOKING BILL PUBLISHED	1
LANDS TRIBUNAL ORDINANCE TO BE AMENDED	4
APRIL RETAIL SALES VALUE	5
MARINE FISH CULTURE ZONES GAZETTED	8
BETTER CONTROL OF CARGO HANDLING AREAS	10
TWO SITES FOR SALE FOR MIDDLE INCOME HOUSING	11
URBAN COUNCIL (EXTRAORDINARY ELECTIONS) BILL 1982	11
DEGREE COURSES FOR THE POLYTECHNIC	12
MORE PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS TO BE BUILT	13
ADDITIONAL RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AT OCEAN PARK	14
SCHOOL UPHOLDS TRADITION AND MEETS TODAY'S NEEDS	14
CHINESE RIVER TRADE CERTIFICATE HOLDER ALLOWED EMPLOYMENT ON BRITISH SHIPS ON RIVER TRADE VOYAGES	15
SHAM SHUI PO DB MEMBERS TOUR SHA TIN	15
WONG TAI SIN SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME	16
FRESH WATER MAINS FOR SHEK WU HUI NEW TOWN	16

ANTI-SMOKING BILL PUBLISHED

* * * *

DETAILS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S NEWEST PACKAGE OF PROPOSALS TO FURTHER REDUCE THE INCIDENCE OF CIGARETTE SMOKING IN HONG KONG IS PUBLISHED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE SMOKING (PUBLIC HEALTH) BILL 1982 PROVIDES FOR RESTRICTIONS ON SMOKING IN PUBLIC AREAS, REQUIREMENTS FOR HEALTH WARNINGS AND TAR GROUP RATINGS IN CIGARETTE PACKAGING AND ADVERTISING AND FOR THE INTRODUCTION OF PENALTIES.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR SOCIAL SERVICES, MR GEOFFREY BARNES, SAID THE PACKAGE, TOGETHER WITH OTHER NON-LEGISLATIVE MEASURES ADOPTED BY THE GOVERNMENT, WAS AIMED AT PROTECTING THE HEALTH OF BOTH SMOKERS AND NON-SMOKERS.

THE BILL SEEKS TO PROHIBIT SMOKING:

- * IN NOT LESS THAN 50 PER CENT OF EACH CLASS OF SEATING IN CINEMAS, CONCERT HALLS AND THEATRES;
- * IN NOT LESS THAN 50 PER CENT OF EACH CLASS OF SEATING ON FERRIES OPERATING IN HONG KONG;
- * IN PUBLIC LIFTS;
- * IN ALL SINGLE DECKER ROAD PUBLIC TRANSPORT, EXCEPT TAXIS AND HIRED VEHICLES;
- * ON THE LOWER DECK OF DOUBLE DECKER BUSES AND TRAMS; AND
- * IN NOT LESS THAN 50 PER CENT OF EACH CLASS OF SEATS IN THE CARRIAGES OF ANY TRAIN.

THE MANAGEMENT OR AUTHORISED STAFF OF THESE FACILITIES WOULD BE EMPOWERED TO ASK FOR THE NAME, ADDRESS AND PROOF OF IDENTITY OF AN OFFENDER WHO REFUSES TO STOP SMOKING IN A NO-SMOKING AREA. THE OFFENDER WOULD NOT BE ENTITLED TO A REFUND OF ANY ADMISSION CHARGE OR FARE PAID IF HE IS REQUIRED TO LEAVE.

ANY PERSON WHO SMOKES IN A NO-SMOKING AREA WOULD BE LIABLE TO A FINE OF UP TO \$1 000. FAILURE TO PROVIDE CORRECT PERSONAL PARTICULARS WHEN REQUIRED WOULD CARRY A FINE OF \$3 000.

A MANAGER WHO FAILS TO SET ASIDE A NO-SMOKING AREA IN DESIGNATED PLACES OR TO DISPLAY THE APPROPRIATE SIGNS WOULD BE LIABLE TO A FINE OF \$5 000.

THE BILL MAKES IT MANDATORY FOR ALL CIGARETTE PACKETS AND RETAIL CONTAINERS ON SALE IN HONG KONG TO CARRY A GOVERNMENT HEALTH WARNING IN CHINESE AND ENGLISH AS WELL AS THE APPROPRIATE TAR GROUP DESIGNATION.

MR BARNES SAID A SMOKING MACHINE ORDERED BY THE GOVERNMENT HAD JUST ARRIVED. THE AMOUNT OF TAR AND NICOTINE IN EACH BRAND PRODUCT OF CIGARETTE WOULD BE DETERMINED BY THE GOVERNMENT CHEMIST, AND THE TEST RESULTS WOULD BE PUBLISHED TWICE A YEAR IN THE CONSUMER COUNCIL MAGAZINE +CHOICE+ AND IN THE PRESS. THE FIRST RESULTS WERE EXPECTED TO APPEAR IN MARCH NEXT YEAR.

ANY PERSON WHO SELLS OR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SALE OF CIGARETTES IN PACKAGING WHICH DOES NOT BEAR THE CORRECT HEALTH WARNING AND TAR GROUP RATING WOULD BE LIABLE TO A FINE OF \$5 000.

UNDER THE BILL IT WILL ALSO BE MANDATORY FOR CIGARETTE ADVERTISEMENTS, WITH CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS, TO CARRY THE HEALTH WARNING AND TAR GROUP RATING.

IN THE CASE OF PUBLICATIONS, THIS REQUIREMENTS WOULD APPLY TO LOCAL NEWSPAPERS OR ANY PRINTED DOCUMENT PUBLISHED OR DISTRIBUTED IN HONG KONG. EXEMPTED WOULD BE LOCAL NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS WHOSE CIRCULATION IS MAINLY OUTSIDE HONG KONG OR THOSE PUBLISHED FOR COMPANIES ENGAGED IN THE TOBACCO TRADE.

MOST OTHER TYPES OF CIGARETTE ADVERTISEMENTS, BOTH INDOOR AND OUTDOOR, WOULD BE REQUIRED TO CARRY THE HEALTH WARNING ONLY. THEY INCLUDE FOR EXAMPLE TELEVISION, RADIO AND CINEMA ADVERTISEMENTS, POSTERS, NEON SIGNS AND LIGHTED BOXES OR PANELS AND CIGARETTE ADVERTISEMENTS ON HOARDINGS, BUILDINGS AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT VEHICLES AND STATIONS OR ON THE WALLS OF LIFTS, ESCALATORS AND PEDESTRIAN SUBWAYS.

SPECIFIED CATEGORIES OF EXEMPTIONS WOULD BE PERMITTED WHERE IT WOULD CLEARLY BE UNREASONABLE OR IMPRACTICABLE TO INSIST ON THE DISPLAY OF A HEALTH WARNING, MR BARNES SAID. THESE INCLUDED THE PREMISES AND VEHICLES OF WHOLESALERS AND MANUFACTURERS OF CIGARETTES OR CIGARETTE TOBACCO AND THE PREMISES OF RETAILERS. ALSO EXEMPTED WOULD BE A RANGE OF SMALL ITEMS COMMONLY USED AS PROMOTIONAL AND MERCHANDISING MATERIALS SUCH AS PENS, KEY CHAINS, ASH TRAYS, UMBRELLAS AND CLOTHING, PROVIDED THAT ONLY THE TOBACCO COMPANY'S NAME, LOGO OR BRAND NAME WAS USED. SUCH CASES WOULD NOT BE REGARDED AS CONSTITUTING A CIGARETTE ADVERTISEMENT, NOR WOULD THE USE OF JUST A TRADE OR BRAND NAME IN THE SPONSORING OF AN EVENT.

ANYONE RESPONSIBLE FOR A CIGARETTE ADVERTISEMENT WHICH DOES NOT CARRY THE REQUIRED HEALTH WARNING WOULD BE LIABLE TO A FINE OF \$5 000 AND TO A FURTHER PENALTY OF \$500 FOR EACH DAY DURING WHICH THE OFFENCE CONTINUES.

THE BILL ENABLES THE SECRETARY FOR SOCIAL SERVICES, BY ORDER IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE, TO PRESCRIBE THE FORM AND WORDING OF HEALTH WARNINGS, NO-SMOKING NOTICES AND TAR GROUP DESIGNATIONS.

MR BARNES SAID THE INITIAL HEALTH WARNING WOULD BE: +HONG KONG GOVERNMENT HEALTH WARNING: CIGARETTE SMOKING IS HAZARDOUS TO YOUR HEALTH.+ HE ADDED THAT THE IMPACT OF THE WARNING WOULD BE REVIEWED PERIODICALLY AND THE WORDING CHANGED AS NECESSARY.

THE TOBACCO INDUSTRY AND OTHERS INVOLVED WOULD BE GIVEN TIME TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW LEGISLATION AND IT IS ENVISAGED THAT THE FOLLOWING TIMETABLE, TO BE IMPLEMENTED BY NOTICE IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE, WOULD APPLY:-

/(A) HEALTH WARNINGS

(A) HEALTH WARNINGS AND TAR GROUP DESIGNATIONS:-

- ON CIGARETTE PACKETS AND CONTAINERS 12 MONTHS
- ON CIGARETTE ADVERTISEMENTS IN NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS, ETC. 3 MONTHS

(B) HEALTH WARNINGS ONLY ON CIGARETTE ADVERTISEMENTS:-

- NEON SIGNS 9 MONTHS
- MTR POSTERS AND TRANSPARENCIES 6 MONTHS
- LIGHTED BOXES AND PANELS AND HOARDINGS 6 MONTHS
- KCR CARRIAGE PANELS AND FERRY RAMP ADVERTISING 3 MONTHS
- ALL OTHER ADVERTISEMENTS (INCLUDING TELEVISION, CINEMA, RADIO, PAINTED WALL SIGNS, PILLAR AND SHOP SIGNS) 6 MONTHS

MR BARNES ADDED THAT THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS IN RESPECT OF PUBLIC LIFTS AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT WOULD BE SIX MONTHS AND FOR CINEMAS, THEATRES AND CONCERT HALLS UP TO 12 MONTHS AS ANNUAL LICENCES ARE RENEWED. THE REQUIREMENTS WOULD BE IMPOSED IMMEDIATELY IN RESPECT OF ALL NEW APPLICATIONS FOR LICENCES. THE BILL PROVIDES THE STATUTORY BACKING FOR LICENSING PROCEDURES WHICH HAD ALREADY BEEN INTRODUCED BY THE URBAN COUNCIL AND DIRECTOR OF URBAN SERVICES.

COMMENTING ON OTHER ANTI-SMOKING INITIATIVES BY THE GOVERNMENT, MR BARNES SAID ADMINISTRATIVE MEASURES HAD ALREADY BEEN TAKEN TO PROHIBIT SMOKING IN PREMISES WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL AND HEALTH AND THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION AND IN PUBLIC AREAS OF ALL GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS. IN ADDITION, THE DIRECTOR OF URBAN SERVICES HAD WRITTEN TO THE LICENCEES OF FOOD PREMISES ASKING FOR THEIR CO-OPERATION IN ESTABLISHING NO-SMOKING AREAS IN THEIR PREMISES ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS AND ADVISING THEM TO DISPLAY NO-SMOKING SIGNS IN FOOD PREPARATION AREAS SUCH AS KITCHENS, WHERE SMOKING WAS ALREADY PROHIBITED BY LAW.

ON THE PROMOTION OF PUBLIC HEALTH EDUCATION, MR BARNES SAID THE GOVERNMENT PLANNED TO STEP UP ITS PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN WITH THE FOLLOWING AIMS:

- TO PREVENT NON-SMOKERS AND ESPECIALLY YOUNG PEOPLE FROM STARTING TO SMOKE;
- TO PERSUADE SMOKERS TO STOP SMOKING;
- TO PUBLICISE THE GOVERNMENT HEALTH WARNING;
- TO CONTINUE TO PRESS HOME THE MESSAGE FOR SMOKERS TO +BE CONSIDERATE TO NON-SMOKERS+; AND
- TO ENCOURAGE OPERATORS OF PUBLIC FACILITIES TO SUPPORT SMOKING RESTRICTIONS ON THEIR PREMISES.

THESE AIMS WILL BE ACHIEVED MAINLY THROUGH THE USE OF POSTERS, STICKERS AND ADVERTISEMENTS ON TELEVISION AND IN CINEMAS. MR BARNES ADDED THAT ADDITIONAL ANTI-SMOKING TEACHING KITS HAD BEEN PREPARED FOR DISTRIBUTION TO SCHOOLS AND THE GOVERNMENT WOULD CONTINUE TO PROMOTE ANTI-SMOKING ACTIVITIES SUCH AS WORKSHOPS, HEALTH WEEKS, TALKS AND EXHIBITIONS.

AS ALREADY ANNOUNCED RECENTLY BY THE TELEVISION AUTHORITY, THE CODE OF PRACTICE RELATING TO TOBACCO ADVERTISING ON TELEVISION WAS UNDER REVIEW AND TIGHTER CONTROLS ON THE CONTENT OF SUCH ADVERTISEMENTS WERE EXPECTED TO BE INTRODUCED EARLY NEXT YEAR. THE AUTHORITY IS ALSO CONSIDERING AN EXTENSION OF THE HOURS DURING WHICH CIGARETTE ADVERTISING ON TELEVISION IS BANNED AT PRESENT.

----- 0 -----

LANDS TRIBUNAL ORDINANCE TO BE AMENDED
* * * * *

TODAY'S (FRIDAY) ISSUE OF THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE CONTAINS A BILL TO AMEND THE LANDS TRIBUNAL ORDINANCE.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED THAT THIS BILL WAS A FURTHER MOVE TOWARDS IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATION BY LAST YEAR'S COMMITTEE OF REVIEW THAT THE LANDS TRIBUNAL SHOULD BECOME THE JUDICIAL BODY FOR PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LANDLORD AND TENANT (CONSOLIDATION) ORDINANCE.

THE TRIBUNAL HAS ALREADY ASSUMED JURISDICTION IN RESPECT OF PRE-WAR PREMISES SUBJECT TO PART I OF THE ORDINANCE, AND BOTH PRE- AND POST-WAR DOMESTIC PREMISES EXCLUDED FROM PARTS I AND II WHICH ARE SUBJECT TO PART IV OF THE ORDINANCE. THE BILL PUBLISHED TODAY WILL, IF ENACTED, ENABLE THE LANDS TRIBUNAL TO DEAL MORE EFFECTIVELY WITH ITS ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THE ORDINANCE. THE MAIN PROVISIONS ARE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A SUPREME COURT JUDGE AS PRESIDENT OF THE TRIBUNAL, AND FOR THE PRESIDENT TO GIVE DIRECTIONS AIMED AT ACHIEVING AS GREAT A DEGREE OF INFORMALITY AS POSSIBLE IN PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE TRIBUNAL.

SUBJECT TO ENACTMENT OF THE BILL IT IS INTENDED THAT THE TRIBUNAL SHALL ASSUME JURISDICTION UNDER PART II OF THE LANDLORD AND TENANT ORDINANCE LATER THIS YEAR.

PART II CONTROLS RENTS AND SECURITY OF TENURE OF PROTECTED POST-WAR DOMESTIC PREMISES, AND POSSESSION CASES UNDER THIS PART, WHICH ARE AT PRESENT DEALT WITH IN THE DISTRICT COURT, WILL THUS FORM THE BULK OF THE TRIBUNAL'S LANDLORD AND TENANT WORK.

----- 0 -----

APRIL RETAIL SALES VALUE
* * * *

THE VALUE OF RETAIL SALES FOR THE RETAIL SECTOR IN APRIL 1982 WAS ESTIMATED TO BE \$3 797 MILLION, ACCORDING TO THE PROVISIONAL SURVEY RESULTS PROVIDED BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

AT 112, THE OVERALL RETAIL SALES VALUE INDEX FOR APRIL 1982 SHOWED AN INCREASE OF FOUR POINTS OR FOUR PER CENT AS COMPARED WITH APRIL 1981 AND A DECREASE OF 10 POINTS OR EIGHT PER CENT AS COMPARED WITH MARCH 1982.

THE OVERALL RETAIL SALES VOLUME INDEX FOR APRIL 1982 STOOD AT 95, BEING FOUR POINTS OR FOUR PER CENT LOWER THAN THAT FOR APRIL 1981 AND NINE POINTS OR NINE PER CENT LOWER THAN THAT FOR MARCH 1982.

COMPARED WITH MARCH 1982, THE RETAIL SALES VALUE INDEX FOR FOODSTUFFS, ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AND TOBACCO IN APRIL 1982 REMAINED THE SAME, BUT THE INDEXES FOR THE OTHER MAJOR TRADE GROUPS AND SELECTED TRADES DECLINED. THE RETAIL SALES VOLUME INDEXES FOR FOODSTUFFS, ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AND TOBACCO, AND SUPERMARKETS IN APRIL 1982 STOOD AT THE SAME LEVELS AS IN MARCH 1982. THE MOST SIGNIFICANT REDUCTION IN THE RETAIL SALES VOLUME INDEXES WAS FOUND IN MOTOR VEHICLES (DOWN BY 18 POINTS OR 19 PER CENT), FOLLOWED BY CONSUMER DURABLES (BY 15 POINTS OR 13 PER CENT), CONSUMER GOODS (BY 12 POINTS OR 11 PER CENT) AND CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR AND ALLIED PRODUCTS (BY 10 POINTS OR 10 PER CENT).

COMPARED WITH APRIL 1981, THE RETAIL SALES OF FUELS, SUPERMARKETS AND CONSUMER GOODS INCREASED IN VOLUME TERMS BY 19 PER CENT, FOUR PER CENT AND TWO PER CENT RESPECTIVELY. WHILE THE RETAIL SALES VOLUME INDEX FOR DEPARTMENT STORES REMAINED UNCHANGED, THOSE FOR FOODSTUFFS, ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AND TOBACCO DECREASED SIGNIFICANTLY BY 17 POINTS OR 17 PER CENT, FOLLOWED BY CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR AND ALLIED PRODUCTS BY 16 POINTS OR 15 PER CENT, AND MOTOR VEHICLES BY 11 POINTS OR 13 PER CENT.

TABLES 1 AND 2 PRESENT THE REVISED AND PROVISIONAL FIGURES OF TOTAL RETAIL SALES AND THE RETAIL SALES VALUE AND VOLUME INDEXES BY SELECTED TRADES AND MAJOR TRADE GROUPS IN MARCH AND APRIL 1982, WITH THE AVERAGE MONTHLY RETAIL SALES IN 1980 TAKEN AS 100. A COMPARISON OF THE APRIL RESULTS WITH THOSE OF THE PRECEDING MONTH AND OF THE CORRESPONDING MONTH IN 1981 IS ALSO SHOWN.

Table 1: Value indexes of retail sales for March and April 1982

(表一：一九八二年三月及四月零售價值指數)

(Monthly average of 1980 = 100)

(一九八〇年每月平均指數 = 100)

項 目 Item	一九八二年 三 月 March 1982	一九八二年 四 月 April 1982	一九八二年四月與 一九八二年三月比較 April 1982 compared with March 1982		一九八二年四月與一 九八一年四月比較 April 1982 compared with April 1981	
	(Revised figures) (調整數字)	(Provisional figures) (臨時數字)	Points 點	% 百分率	Points 點	% 百分率
Total retail sales (HK\$ million) 零售總計 (百萬元)	4 133	3 797				
Retail sales value indexes: 零售價值指數:						
(I) for all retail trades	122	112	- 10	- 8	+ 4	+ 4
(一)所有零售行業						
(II) by major trade groups						
(二)以主要行業類別計						
食品 Foodstuffs,						
酒類及 alcoholic drinks						
煙草 and tobacco	106	106	相同 same	相同 same	- 7	- 6
燃料 Fuels	146	143	- 3	- 2	+ 23	+ 19
衣着、 Clothing, footwear						
鞋類、 and allied						
及有關 products	120	111	- 9	- 8	- 2	- 2
產品 Consumer goods	124	111	- 13	- 10	+ 9	+ 9
消費品 Consumer durables	129	112	- 17	- 13	+ 1	+ 1
耐用消 費品						
(III) by selected trades						
(三)以選定行業計						
汽車 Motor vehicles	110	90	- 20	- 18	- 8	- 8
百貨商 Department stores	102	97	- 5	- 5	+ 6	+ 7
店 Supermarkets	147	146	- 1	- 1	+ 20	+ 16
超級市 場						

- 7 -

Table 2 : Volume indexes of retail sales for
March and April 1982

(表二：一九八二年三月及四月零售量指數)

(Monthly average of 1980 = 100)

(一九八〇年每月平均指數 = 100)

項 目 Item	一九八二年 三月 March 1982	一九八二年 四月 April 1982	八二年四月與八 二年三月比較 April 1982 compared with March 1982		八二年四月與八 一年四月比較 April 1982 compared with April 1981	
	(Revised figures) (調整數字)	(Provisional figures) (臨時數字)	Points 點	% 百分率	Points 點	% 百分率
零售量指數： Retail sales volume indexes :						
(一) 所有零售行業 (I) for all retail trades	104	95	- 9	- 9	- 4	- 4
(二) 以主要行業類別計 (II) by major trade groups						
食品 Foodstuffs, 酒類及 alcoholic drinks 煙草 and tobacco	36	86	相同 same	相同 same	- 17	- 17
燃料 Fuels	120	117	- 3	- 3	+ 19	+ 19
衣着、 Clothing, footwear 鞋類及 and allied products 有關產品	99	89	- 10	- 10	- 16	- 15
消費品 Consumer goods	108	96	- 12	- 11	+ 2	+ 2
耐用消 Consumer durables 費品	115	100	- 15	- 13	- 3	- 3
(三) 以選定行業計 (III) by selected trades						
汽車 Motor vehicles	95	77	- 18	- 19	- 11	- 13
百貨商 Department stores 店	88	84	- 4	- 5	相同 same	相同 same
超級市 Supermarkets 場	119	119	相同 same	相同 same	+ 5	+ 4

- - - - 0 - - - -

MARINE FISH CULTURE ZONES GAZETTED

TWENTY-FOUR AREAS IN HONG KONG WATERS WERE DESIGNATED AS FISH CULTURE ZONES IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

THEY WERE DESIGNATED UNDER THE MARINE FISH CULTURE ORDINANCE, WHICH IS DESIGNED TO REGULATE AND PROTECT THE MARINE FISH CULTURE (MARICULTURE) INDUSTRY.

THE DESIGNATED ZONES ARE AT SHA TAU KOK, AP CHAU, KAT O, O PUI TONG, SAI LAU KONG, WONG WAN, TAP MUN, KAU LAU WAN, SHAM WAN, LO FU WAT, YUNG SHUE AU, LEUNG SHUEN WAN, TAI TAU CHAU, TIU CHAM WAN, KAI LUNG WAN, KAU SAI, MA NAM WAT, PO TOI O, TIN HA WAN, PO TOI, SOK KWU WAN, LO TIK WAN, TAI A CHAU AND MA WAN.

UNDER THE ORDINANCE, NO PERSON WILL BE PERMITTED TO CULTURE MARINE FISH OUTSIDE THE ZONES. AND IN THE ZONES FISH WILL BE CULTURED ONLY UNDER LICENCE ISSUED BY THE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES. THE ORDINANCE ALSO PROVIDES FOR PENALTIES RANGING FROM \$5 000 TO \$20 000 FOR ANYONE WHO CAUSES POLLUTION TO FISH ZONES, INTERFERES WITH FISH OR RAFTS IN A ZONE OR FOR THE UNAUTHORISED ENTRY INTO ZONES BY VESSELS EXCEPT IN EMERGENCIES.

DURING APRIL AND MAY THIS YEAR, THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT CONDUCTED A SURVEY OF MARICULTURE OPERATIONS TO ASCERTAIN THE CURRENT SIZE AND LOCATIONS OF FISH RAFTS. ANY NEW OPERATIONS OR EXTENSIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR LICENSING UNTIL THE SURVEYED OPERATIONS HAVE BEEN DEALT WITH.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT SAID THERE WERE SUFFICIENT SITES WITHIN THE 24 GAZETTED ZONES TO ACCOMMODATE ALL EXISTING FISH FARMERS WHO WISH TO CONTINUE THEIR OPERATIONS.

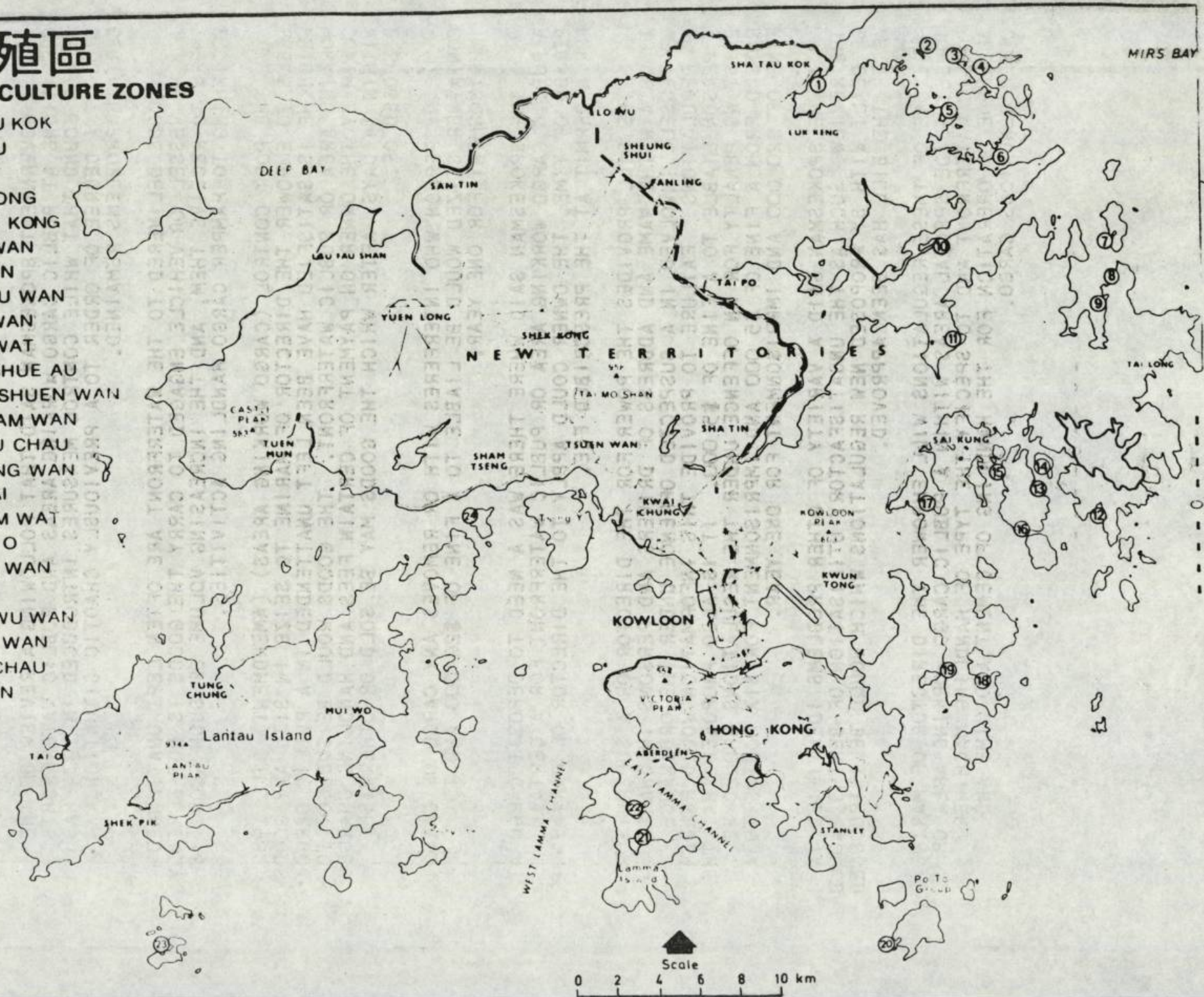
FISH FARMERS COVERED IN THE SURVEY WILL HAVE A GRACE PERIOD OF NINE MONTHS TO OBTAIN A LICENCE AND MOVE THEIR RAFTS INTO AN ALLOCATED ZONE. THE ALLOCATION TO ZONES WILL BE MADE BY BALLOT IN AN ORDER OF PRIORITY. FISH FARMERS SHOULD NOT MOVE INTO THE DESIGNATED ZONES UNTIL THEY HAVE BEEN DIRECTED TO DO SO BY THE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES. THE SURVEYED FISH FARMERS WILL ALSO BE ELIGIBLE FOR EX-GRATIA ALLOWANCES TO ASSIST THEM TO RELOCATE THEIR RAFTS OR TO WIND-UP THEIR OPERATIONS. NEW OPERATIONS OR EXTENSIONS WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR ANY ALLOWANCE.

DETAILED PLANS OF THE ZONES ARE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION AT THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT, ITS FISHERIES OFFICES AND DISTRICT OFFICES AND CITY DISTRICT OFFICES.

海魚養殖區

MARINE FISH CULTURE ZONES

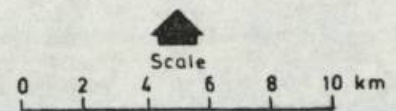
- 1 沙頭角 SHA TAU KOK
- 2 鴨洲 AP CHAU
- 3 吉澳 KAT O
- 4 澳背塘 O PUI TONG
- 5 西流江 SAI LAU KONG
- 6 往灣 WONG WAN
- 7 塔門 TAP MUN
- 8 較流灣 KAU LAU WAN
- 9 深灣 SHAM WAN
- 10 老虎笏 LO FU WAT
- 11 榕樹凹 YUNG SHUE AU
- 12 糧船灣 LEUNG SHUEN WAN
- 13 吊杉灣 TIU CHAM WAN
- 14 大頭洲 TAI TAU CHAU
- 15 雞籠灣 KAI LUNG WAN
- 16 湴西 KAU SAI
- 17 麻南笏 MA NAM WAT
- 18 布袋澳 PO TOI O
- 19 田下灣 TIN HA WAN
- 20 蒲台 PO TOI
- 21 索罟灣 SOK KWU WAN
- 22 蘆荻灣 LO TIK WAN
- 23 大亞州 TAI A CHAU
- 24 馬灣 MA WAN



FRIDAY, JULY 9, 1982

MIRS BAY

/10



BETTER CONTROL OF CARGO HANDLING AREAS

* * * *

PLANS TO IMPROVE CARGO HANDLING OPERATIONS IN HONG KONG WILL BE PUT TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL NEXT WEDNESDAY (JULY 14).

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT FOLLOWING A REVIEW OF THE OPERATIONS AT PUBLIC CARGO WORKING AREAS AND PUBLIC WATERFRONTS, IT WAS FOUND THAT WHILE CONTROL MEASURES INTRODUCED IN 1974 HAD BROUGHT A DEGREE OF ORDER TO A PREVIOUSLY CHAOTIC SITUATION, CERTAIN PROBLEMS REMAINED.

GOODS DELIVERED TO THE WATERFRONT ARE OFTEN LEFT UNATTENDED IF THE VESSEL OR VEHICLE ENGAGED TO CARRY THE GOODS IS NOT ALREADY THERE TO RECEIVE THEM, AND THE INCREASING VOLUME OF SUCH GOODS IS BEGINNING TO HAMPER CARGO HANDLING ACTIVITIES.

THE PORT CONTROL (CARGO WORKING AREAS) (AMENDMENT) BILL 1982 SEEKS TO EMPOWER THE DIRECTOR OF MARINE TO SEIZE IN SITU ANY GOODS WHICH HE IS SATISFIED HAVE BEEN LEFT UNATTENDED IN A PUBLIC CARGO WORKING AREA OR PUBLIC WATERFRONT. THE GOODS WOULD BE SUBJECT TO CLAIM BY THE OWNER ON PAYMENT OF CERTAIN FEES AND HANDLING CHARGES WITHIN 14 DAYS, AFTER WHICH THE GOODS MAY BE SOLD OR OTHERWISE DISPOSED OF.

ANY PERSON WHO INTERFERES WITH OR REMOVES ANY CARGO OR CARGO CONTAINER SEIZED WOULD BE LIABLE TO A FINE OF \$20 000 AND TO IMPRISONMENT FOR ONE YEAR.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID WHERE THERE WAS A NEED TO DEPOSIT CARGO AT A PUBLIC CARGO WORKING AREA OR PUBLIC WATERFRONT FOR A CERTAIN PERIOD OF TIME, THE OWNER COULD APPLY TO THE DIRECTOR OF MARINE FOR A PERMIT AT THE PRESCRIBED FEE.

THE BILL PROVIDES THE POWER FOR THE DIRECTOR OR A SUPERVISOR TO OBTAIN THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF DRIVERS AND PERSONS IN CHARGE OF VESSELS INVOLVED IN A SUSPECTED OFFENCE UNDER THE ORDINANCE OR REGULATIONS. FAILURE TO PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION WOULD RENDER A PERSON LIABLE TO A FINE OF \$5 000. IT IS ALSO PROPOSED THAT THE EXISTING PENALTY FOR AN OFFENCE UNDER THE REGULATIONS SHOULD BE RAISED FROM A FINE OF \$5 000 AND IMPRISONMENT FOR SIX MONTHS TO A FINE OF \$20 000 AND IMPRISONMENT FOR ONE YEAR.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID A VARIETY OF OTHER PROBLEMS IDENTIFIED IN THE REVIEW, SUCH AS THE UNSATISFACTORY UTILISATION OF BERTHS, WOULD BE DEALT WITH BY PROPOSED NEW REGULATIONS WHICH WOULD BE INTRODUCED AFTER THE BILL HAS BEEN APPROVED.

ONE OF THESE REGULATIONS WILL EMPOWER THE DIRECTOR OF MARINE TO SET ASIDE SPECIAL AREAS WITHIN A PUBLIC CARGO WORKING AREA OR PUBLIC WATERFRONT AND TO SPECIFY THE TYPE OF HANDLING MACHINERY AND MODE OF OPERATION FOR THE HANDLING OF CEMENT AND LIME AND OTHER OBNOXIOUS CARGO.

TWO SITES FOR SALE FOR MIDDLE INCOME HOUSING
* * * * *

THE LANDS DEPARTMENT IS OFFERING FOR SALE BY TENDER TWO SITES IN CHAI WAN FOR DEVELOPMENT OF MIDDLE INCOME HOUSING UNDER THE PRIVATE SECTOR PARTICIPATION SCHEME.

THE LARGER SITE, LOCATED TO THE NORTH OF THE JUNCTION OF HONG MAN STREET AND LEE CHUNG STREET, COVERS AN AREA OF ABOUT 2.244 HECTARES.

UNDER THE DEVELOPMENT CONDITIONS, THE DEVELOPER IS REQUIRED TO BUILD NOT LESS THAN 2 100 FLATS WITH SIZES RANGING IN COVERED AREA FROM 45 SQUARE METRES TO 75 SQUARE METRES, AND MAY ALSO PROVIDE UP TO 2 910 SQUARE METRES OF COMMERCIAL ACCOMMODATION.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS INCLUDE THE PROVISION OF A FOUR-CLASSROOM KINDERGARTEN AND LANDSCAPED OPEN SPACE AND CHILDREN'S PLAY AREAS OF ABOUT 7 400 SQUARE METRES.

THE SECOND SITE, SITUATED AT THE JUNCTION OF CHAI WAN ROAD AND LOK MAN STREET, HAS AN AREA OF ABOUT 10 400 SQUARE METRES.

UNDER THE DEVELOPMENT CONDITIONS OF THIS SITE, THE SUCCESSFUL TENDERER IS REQUIRED TO BUILD AT LEAST 496 FLATS, THE SIZE OF WHICH WILL RANGE FROM 50 SQUARE METRES TO 80 SQUARE METRES.

HE MAY ALSO BUILD NOT MORE THAN 500 SQUARE METRES OF COMMERCIAL SPACE AND HAS TO PROVIDE A CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA INCORPORATED INTO A LANDSCAPED OPEN SPACE AREA OF ABOUT 1 340 SQUARE METRES.

CLOSING DATE FOR TENDERS FOR BOTH SITES WILL BE NOON ON AUGUST 27.

TENDER FORMS, TOGETHER WITH NOTICES AND CONDITIONS OF SALE MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE LANDS DEPARTMENT, 5TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG, AND THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICES OF SHA TIN, TAI PO NORTH, YUEN LONG, TUEN MUN, TSUEN WAN, SAI KUNG AND ISLANDS.

- - - - 0 - - - -

URBAN COUNCIL (EXTRAORDINARY ELECTIONS) BILL 1982
* * * * *

A PROPOSAL TO DISPENSE WITH THE NEED TO HOLD ANY EXTRAORDINARY ELECTIONS TO THE URBAN COUNCIL FOR THE REMAINDER OF THIS YEAR IS CONTAINED IN AN URBAN COUNCIL (EXTRAORDINARY ELECTIONS) BILL 1982 PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE PROPOSAL IS MADE TO AVOID CONFUSING SUCH ELECTIONS WITH THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS IN SEPTEMBER WHICH ARE BASED ON A DIFFERENT ELECTORAL SYSTEM.

IF THE BILL IS PASSED, THE VACANCY IN THE COUNCIL ARISING FROM THE DEATH OF MR AMBROSE CHOI KWOK-CHING WILL NOT BE FILLED UNTIL NEXT MARCH WHEN THE URBAN COUNCIL ELECTIONS BASED ON CONSTITUENCIES AND A BROAD FRANCHISE WILL BE HELD.

- - - - 0 - - - -

DEGREE COURSES FOR THE POLYTECHNIC
* * * * *

THE GOVERNMENT HAS APPROVED THE INTRODUCTION OF DEGREE COURSES AT THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC.

INITIALLY DEGREE COURSES IN A TOTAL OF FOUR SUBJECTS WILL BE OFFERED BY THE POLYTECHNIC WITH EFFECT FROM SEPTEMBER 1983.

THEY ARE:-

- A) BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK DEGREE;
- B) BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONOURS) DEGREE IN COMPUTING STUDIES;
- C) BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HONOURS) DEGREE OR BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN APPLIED SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS; AND
- D) BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING (HONOURS) DEGREE IN ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THE DEGREE COURSES AROSE FROM THE 1978 WHITE PAPER ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF SENIOR SECONDARY AND TERTIARY EDUCATION WHICH STATED THAT THE POLYTECHNIC WOULD BE INVITED TO ADVISE WHETHER A LIMITED DEGREE PROGRAMME WOULD BE A DESIRABLE DEVELOPMENT AND, IF SO, TO PREPARE PROPOSALS. THE WHITE PAPER ALSO STATED THAT THE PROPOSALS WOULD BE CONSIDERED BY THE UNIVERSITY AND POLYTECHNIC GRANTS COMMITTEE BEFORE FINAL DECISIONS WERE TAKEN BY THE GOVERNMENT.

THE UPGC SUBSEQUENTLY ASKED THE POLYTECHNIC TO PREPARE DETAILED PROPOSALS AND UPON THEIR RECEIPT, APPOINTED THE COUNCIL FOR NATIONAL ACADEMIC AWARDS TO MAKE AN ASSESSMENT.

THE CNAA MADE ITS ASSESSMENT VISITS TO HONG KONG LAST NOVEMBER AND AFTER CONDUCTING AN INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW, SUBMITTED ITS REPORT TO THE UPGC IN FEBRUARY.

THE GOVERNMENT HAS ACCEPTED THE CNAA'S ADVICE, SUPPORTED BY THE UPGC, THAT THE POLYTECHNIC CAN MEET THE STIPULATED REQUIREMENTS FOR THE FOUR COURSES. THEIR INTRODUCTION HAS BEEN AGREED ON THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THIS APPROVAL WILL LAPSE AUTOMATICALLY AFTER SIX YEARS UNLESS THE COURSES ARE REVALIDATED, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NORMAL PRACTICE OF THE CNAA, WHO WILL CARRY OUT THE EXERCISE.

MORE PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS TO BE BUILT
* * * *

THE SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION, MR KENNETH TOPLEY, DISCLOSED TODAY (FRIDAY) THAT THE GOVERNMENT WAS BUILDING 12 ADDITIONAL PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS AT A COST OF \$200 MILLION AS A RESULT OF THEIR SUCCESS.

HE WAS SPEAKING AT THE FOURTH ANNUAL SPEECH DAY OF THE CHINESE MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOL.

+THESE NEW PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS ARE LOCATED MAINLY IN THE NEW TOWNS AND WILL BE OPENED IN THE 1984/85 ACADEMIC YEAR, WHEN THEY WILL DOUBLE THE NUMBER OF FORM 1 PREVOCATIONAL PLACES,+ MR TOPLEY SAID.

HE SAID THE POPULARITY OF PREVOCATIONAL EDUCATION HAD BEEN PROVEN BY THE FACT THAT OVER 10 000 PRIMARY 6 PUPILS EACH YEAR COMPETE FOR LESS THAN 3 000 FORM 1 PLACES IN THE 13 EXISTING SCHOOLS.

+PREVOCATIONAL EDUCATION IS A FORM OF SECONDARY EDUCATION WHICH PROVIDES PUPILS WITH A SOLID BASIS OF GENERAL KNOWLEDGE AND AN INTRODUCTION TO BROADLY-BASED TECHNICAL SKILLS.

+THE AMOUNT OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION IN THE CURRICULUM IS MORE THAN THAT FOUND IN GRAMMAR OR TECHNICAL SCHOOLS AND IS GEARED TO THE NEEDS AND DEVELOPMENT OF LOCAL INDUSTRY,+ HE EXPLAINED.

MR TOPLEY TOLD THE GRADUATING STUDENTS THAT THEIR EDUCATION HAD PROVIDED THEM WITH A FIRM FOUNDATION FOR THE FUTURE AND REMINDED THEM THAT THEIR EDUCATION WOULD NEVER REALLY END.

+WHETHER YOU ARE PURSUING SPECIALISED VOCATIONAL TRAINING OR CONTINUING YOUR STUDIES IN FORM 4 IN YOUR OWN, OR ANOTHER SCHOOL, YOU WILL ALWAYS GO ON LEARNING,+ HE SAID.

HE PAID TRIBUTE TO THE CHINESE MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION FOR ITS SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITY. IN 1956, THE ASSOCIATION CONTRIBUTED \$1 MILLION TOWARDS THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE HONG KONG TECHNICAL COLLEGE, NOW KNOWN AS THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC, AND SINCE 1964 IT HAS BEEN OFFERING SCHOLARSHIPS TO PUPILS IN BOTH TECHNICAL AND PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS.

THE ASSOCIATION HAS ALSO AGREED TO SPONSOR ANOTHER PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOL IN TUEN MUN, SCHEDULED TO OPEN IN SEPTEMBER 1984.

ADDITIONAL RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AT OCEAN PARK
* * *

THE GOVERNMENT HAS APPROVED PROPOSALS OF OCEAN PARK LIMITED TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL RECREATIONAL FACILITIES FOR THE COMMUNITY.

ANNOUNCING THIS TODAY, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE AIM WAS TO HELP THE PARK TO REMAIN FINANCIALLY VIABLE WHILE GREATLY EXPANDING AND IMPROVING THE RECREATIONAL FACILITIES.

IN ORDER TO MAKE THIS POSSIBLE, HE SAID, THE EXISTING CONDITIONS OF GRANT HAD NOW BEEN MODIFIED TO PERMIT SOME COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE PARK AND THE GOVERNMENT HAD ALSO APPROVED A PRIVATE TREATY GRANT OF AN EXTENSION TO THE EXISTING OCEAN PARK SITE AT NIL PREMIUM.

HOWEVER, HE STRESSED THAT ALTHOUGH THESE FACILITIES INCLUDED AMUSEMENTS AND SHOWS IT WAS NOT THE INTENTION TO TURN THE AREA INTO A FULL-SCALE AMUSEMENT PARK BUT TO KEEP IT ESSENTIALLY A PUBLIC AMENITY.

THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB HAS AGREED TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE WHOLE PROJECT INCLUDING THE BUILDING ON THE EXTENSION AREA OF A SECOND ENTRANCE TO THE PARK WITH ACCESS ROAD AND A CRAFT VILLAGE OF ABOUT 40 SHOPS WHICH OCEAN PARK WILL LET BY COMPETITIVE TENDER.

- - - - 0 - - - -

SCHOOL UPHOLDS TRADITION AND MEETS TODAY'S NEEDS
* * * *

SACRED HEART CANOSSIAN COLLEGE MAY HAVE MOVED TO NEW AND MODERN PREMISES BUT STUDENTS WILL CONTINUE TO BE TAUGHT TO RESPECT TRADITIONAL VALUES, MR COLVYN HAYE, DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE SCHOOL'S NEW PREMISES IN POKFULAM AND ANNUAL SPEECH DAY, MR HAYE SAID STUDENTS WERE TAUGHT TO RESPECT THEIR FAMILIES, THEIR TEACHERS, THEIR SCHOOL AND SOCIETY.

+TRADITION IS HARD EARNED AND THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE FOR EXPERIENCE. THERE IS MUCH TO LEARN FROM THE HISTORY OF THIS SCHOOL AND FROM THE EXAMPLE OF THOSE WHO ESTABLISHED IT,+ HE SAID.

SACRED HEART CANOSSIAN COLLEGE WAS FOUNDED IN 1860 WITH ONLY 40 GIRLS. THE SCHOOL NOW HAS OVER 1 300 STUDENTS.

+THE SCHOOL IS OVER 100 YEARS OLD, AND THIS IS VERY SPECIAL BECAUSE WE ARE A COMPARATIVELY YOUNG SOCIETY AND 100 YEARS COVER THE BEST PART OF OUR HISTORY.

+IT HAS GROWN WITH HONG KONG AND HAS PROVED THAT IT CAN ADAPT TO ADVANCES AND TO CHANGE, AND HAS UPDATED ITS TEACHING METHODS TO MEET THE NEEDS OF A CHANGING SOCIETY AND THE DEMANDS OF STUDENTS,+ MR HAYE SAID.

NEW SCHOOLS LOOK TO OLDER SCHOOLS FOR INSPIRATION AND GUIDANCE, AND IN THIS RESPECT SACRED HEART CANOSSIAN COLLEGE IS A SHINING EXAMPLE FOR ANY NEW SCHOOLS NOW AND IN FUTURE, HE ADDED.

- - - - 0 - - - -

CHINESE RIVER TRADE CERTIFICATE HOLDER ALLOWED EMPLOYMENT
ON BRITISH SHIPS ON RIVER TRADE VOYAGES

* * * *

CHINESE RESIDENTS WHO HOLD RIVER TRADE CERTIFICATES QUALIFYING THEM AS MASTER, CHIEF OFFICER OR CHIEF ENGINEER WILL NOT BE DEBARRED FROM OBTAINING EMPLOYMENT ON BRITISH SHIPS ON RIVER TRADE VOYAGES.

AN AMENDMENT IS PROPOSED TO THE MERCHANT SHIPPING (ALIENS EMPLOYMENT) ORDINANCE TO EXCLUDE CHINESE RESIDENT SEAMEN FROM A PROHIBITION AGAINST EMPLOYMENT OF ALIENS ON BRITISH SHIPS OF OVER 60 NET REGISTERED TONNAGE.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED THAT CHINESE RESIDENTS CAN AT PRESENT SIT FOR EXAMINATIONS IN HONG KONG LEADING TO THE RIVER TRADE CERTIFICATES.

LIFTING OF THE EMPLOYMENT PROHIBITION WILL ENABLE OWNERS OF SHIPS IN THE RIVER TRADE TO HAVE A WIDER CHOICE OF QUALIFIED PERSONS FOR SENIOR POSTS ON THEIR SHIPS AND ENABLE CHINESE RESIDENT SEAMEN TO IMPROVE THEIR CAREER PROSPECTS.

----- 0 -----

SHAM SHUI PO DB MEMBERS TOUR SHA TIN

* * * *

FOURTEEN MEMBERS OF THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT BOARD PAID A HALF-DAY VISIT TO SHA TIN TODAY (FRIDAY) TO SEE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A DENSELY POPULATED URBAN DISTRICT AND A FAST DEVELOPING NEW TOWN.

ACCOMPANIED BY THE SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICER, DR PATRICK HASE, AND ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MR AUGUSTINE CHENG, THE MEMBERS FIRST WENT TO A VANTAGE POINT FOR A PANORAMIC VIEW AND A BRIEFING ON THE GENERAL DEVELOPMENT OF SHA TIN NEW TOWN WHICH IS DESIGNED TO ACCOMMODATE 870 000 PEOPLE IN 1990.

THE PARTY THEN PROCEEDED TO TSOK POK HANG VILLAGE AND FUI YUI HA VILLAGE WHERE THE VILLAGERS HAVE BEEN REHOUSED TO MAKE WAY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE POK HANG PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE.

AT TSANG TAI UK, THE BEST PRESERVED WALLED VILLAGE IN HONG KONG, THE DB MEMBERS TALKED TO SOME INDIGENOUS RESIDENTS OF SHA TIN AND WERE VERY INTERESTED IN THE HISTORY OF THE VILLAGE.

THE GROUP LATER VISITED DIFFERENT KINDS OF PUBLIC HOUSING IN THE DISTRICT, NAMELY THE YUEN CHAU KOK TEMPORARY HOUSING AREA, THE HOME OWNERSHIP SCHEME SHUI WO COURT AND WO CHE PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE.

DR HASE TOLD THE VISITORS THAT THE GOVERNMENT PLANNED TO ACCOMMODATE 60 PER CENT OF THE SHA TIN POPULATION IN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES BY THE END OF THE DECADE.

THE PARTY ALSO TOURED THE FO TAN INDUSTRIAL AREA AND THE +TZE TONG+ IN TAI WAI.

----- 0 -----

FRIDAY, JULY 9, 1982

- 16 -

WONG TAI SIN SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME

TO MARK THE BEGINNING OF THE WONG TAI SIN SUMMER YOUTH ACTIVITIES THIS YEAR, AN OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT THE OPEN AIR THEATRE IN MORSE PARK AT 5 PM ON SUNDAY (JULY 11).

THE WONG TAI SIN CITY DISTRICT COMMISSIONER, MR IAN STRACHAN AND THE EAST KOWLOON REGIONAL SOCIAL WELFARE OFFICER, MR FUNG KA-CHING WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY.

A VARIETY SHOW INCLUDING SINGING, FOLK DANCE, BALLET AND RTV PROGRAMMES WILL FOLLOW.

THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT YOUTH RECREATION CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE, WHICH PLAYS AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN IMPLEMENTING ALL THE YOUTH PROGRAMMES IN THE DISTRICT, HAS ORGANISED A SERIES OF YOUTH PROGRAMMES THIS SUMMER.

AND TO ENHANCE THE ACTIVITIES AND PROMOTE PUBLICITY IN THE DISTRICT, THE COMMITTEE HAS SET UP FOUR SUB-COMMITTEES ONE IN EACH OF THE FOUR SUB-DISTRICTS, NAMELY THE EAST, SOUTH, WEST AND NORTH SUB-DISTRICTS.

EACH SUB-DISTRICT WILL ORGANISE ITS OWN ACTIVITIES IN SUPPORT OF THE EVENT. THEY WILL COMPRISE CHILDREN DRAWING COMPETITION, SLIDE SHOWS, VOLUNTEER TRAINING CAMP, PHOTOTAKING COMPETITION, FOLK DANCE, FAMILY PICNIC AND CHILDREN GAMES DAY.

THERE ARE ALSO VARIOUS SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, SCHOOLS AND VOLUNTARY AGENCIES IN THE DISTRICT.

----- 0 -----

FRESH WATER MAINS FOR SHEK WU HUI NEW TOWN

THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE LAYING OF ABOUT 750 METRES OF FRESH WATER MAINS RANGING FROM 150 MM TO 800 MM IN DIAMETER AT WO HOP SHEK INTERCHANGE IN THE FANLING/SHEK WU HUI NEW TOWN.

THE PROJECT IS AIMED AT INCREASING THE CAPACITY OF THE EXISTING WATER SUPPLY TO KWUN TUNG AND THE NEW TOWN.

WORK IS EXPECTED TO COMMENCE IN AUGUST AND WILL TAKE ABOUT SIX MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

----- 0 -----