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### DROP IN INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS

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THERE WERE 17 857 INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY LAST YEAR, REPRESENTING A DROP OF 460 AS COMPARED WITH 18 319 IN 1980.

LAST YEAR ALSO SAW A LOWER ACCIDENT RATE OF 206 ACCIDENTS PER 1 000 CONSTRUCTION WORKERS, COMPARED WITH 217 IN 1980.

THE DROP IN ACCIDENTS HAS BEEN A SOURCE OF ENCOURAGEMENT TO THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY SAFETY SUB-COMMITTEE, WHICH WAS SET UP LATE IN 1980 TO PROMOTE INDUSTRY SAFETY.

MR CHAN TAT-KING, SUPERINTENDENT OF FACTORY INSPECTORS, LABOUR DEPARTMENT, AND CHAIRMAN OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY): +THOUGH ONLY A SLIGHT DROP IN NUMBER, IT HAS GIVEN MUCH ENCOURAGEMENT TO MEMBERS OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE.+

THE SUB-COMMITTEE, WHICH COMPRISES REPRESENTATIVES OF EMPLOYERS AND WORKERS IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY AND THE FACTORY INSPECTORATE, ENABLES THE THREE PARTIES TO REGULARLY EXCHANGE VIEWS ON SAFETY PROBLEMS AND TO WORK OUT PRACTICABLE SAFETY MEASURES.

IN ITS FIRST YEAR OF OPERATION, THE SUB-COMMITTEE FINALISED A SET OF SAFETY PRECAUTIONS FOR OPERATING CONCRETE PUMPS, PUBLICISED ELECTRICAL SAFETY, PARTICIPATED IN SAFETY CAMPAIGNS AND ORGANISED A SAFETY SEMINAR FOR SUPERVISORS IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY.

MR CHAN EMPHASISED THAT THE JOINT EFFORTS OF EMPLOYERS, WORKERS AND THE FACTORY INSPECTORATE HAD PROVED TO BE ESSENTIAL IN SECURING A SAFE WORKING ENVIRONMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION WORKERS.

NEVERTHELESS, THE SUB-COMMITTEE MEMBERS ARE AWARE THAT THERE STILL REMAIN CERTAIN AREAS AT CONSTRUCTION SITES WHICH REQUIRE THEIR CLOSE ATTENTION.

+WE ARE DETERMINED TO CONTINUE OUR EFFORTS TO STRIVE FOR A SAFER WORKING ENVIRONMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION WORKERS,+ HE SAID.

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POWERS OF ENTRY AND INSPECTION OF INSPECTORS OF APPRENTICES  
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THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE APPRENTICESHIP ORDINANCE (CAP 47) AND REGULATIONS HAS BEEN TRANSFERRED FROM THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT TO THE NEWLY ESTABLISHED TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND INDUSTRIAL TRAINING DEPARTMENT WITH EFFECT FROM APRIL 1, 1982.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NEW DEPARTMENT REMINDED EMPLOYERS THAT UNDER SECTION 35(A) OF THE APPRENTICESHIP ORDINANCE, AN INSPECTOR OF APPRENTICES OF THE TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND INDUSTRIAL TRAINING DEPARTMENT IS EMPOWERED TO ENTER, INSPECT AND EXAMINE, BY DAY OR NIGHT, ANY PREMISES OR PLACE IN WHICH HE KNOWS, OR HAS REASONABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE, THAT AN APPRENTICE OR A YOUNG PERSON IS EMPLOYED.

THE SPOKESMAN ALSO URGED EMPLOYERS TO CO-OPERATE WHEN INSPECTORS OF APPRENTICES VISITED THEIR ESTABLISHMENTS FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE APPRENTICESHIP ORDINANCE.

+AN INSPECTOR OF APPRENTICES CARRIES WITH HIM A WARRANT AND A GOVERNMENT IDENTITY CARD. HE WILL NEED TO PRODUCE THEM UPON HIS ENTRY TO ANY PREMISES FOR INSPECTION,+ HE SAID.

+ANY PERSON WHO OBSTRUCTS AN INSPECTOR OF APPRENTICES PERFORMING OR EXERCISING ANY FUNCTION, DUTY OR POWER UNDER THE APPRENTICESHIP ORDINANCE MAY BE PROSECUTED. ON CONVICTION, HE IS LIABLE TO A FINE OF \$5 000 AND TO IMPRISONMENT FOR 6 MONTHS,+ HE ADDED.

EMPLOYERS WHO HAVE ANY ENQUIRIES MAY CONTACT ANY OF THE BRANCH OFFICES OF THE APPRENTICESHIP SECTION AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESSES:-

- (1) HENNESSY CENTRE, EAST WING, 6/F, 500 HENNESSY ROAD, CAUSEWAY BAY TEL: 5-7956211
- (2) PARIS THEATRE BUILDING, 7 KING FUK STREET, SAN PO KONG TEL: 3-234722
- (3) SALISBURY ROAD, OPPOSITE TO SHERATON HOTEL, TSIM SHA TSUI TEL: 3-667463
- (4) 31 SHING FONG STREET, 5TH FLOOR, KWAI CHUNG TEL: 0-297039
- (5) YEN HAU MANSION, 3RD FLOOR, 100 TING FU STREET, KWUN TONG TEL: 3-7561093

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FEEDER MAXICAB ROUTES FOR MTR TSUEN WAN EXTENSION  
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ADDITIONAL MAXICAB ROUTES WILL START OPERATING IN TSUEN WAN AND KWAI CHUNG ON MAY 16 TO MEET THE INCREASED TRAVEL DEMAND FOLLOWING THE FULL OPENING OF THE MTR TSUEN WAN EXTENSION.

ANNOUNCING THIS TODAY, CHIEF TRANSPORT OFFICER/NEW TERRITORIES, MR DANIEL AU SAID NINE NEW MTR FEEDER MAXICAB ROUTES GENERATED FROM THE EXISTING MAXICAB SERVICES IN THE TSUEN WAN AREA WOULD BE INTRODUCED TO PROVIDE COMMUTERS WITH BETTER INTERCHANGE FACILITIES.

+ALL THESE FEEDER ROUTES WILL BE SUFFIXED WITH 'M' FOR EASY IDENTIFICATION, + MR AU SAID.

THE NEW FEEDER MAXICAB ROUTES ARE :

- \* 81M TSUEN WAN MTR STATION TO LO WAI AT A FARE OF \$1.
- \* 82M TSUEN WAN MTR STATION TO SHEK WAI KOK AT A FARE OF \$1.
- \* 86M TAI WO HAU MTR STATION TO SHEK LEI ESTATE AT A FARE OF \$1.
- \* 87M TSUEN WAN (CHUNG ON STREET) TO KWAI FONG MTR STATION AT A FARE OF \$1. THIS ROUTE WILL ALSO SERVE THE CONTAINER PORT ROAD AREA.
- \* 88M KWAI FONG MTR STATION TO TSING YI (HONGKONG UNITED DOCKYARD) AT A FARE OF \$2.
- \* 89M KWAI HING MTR STATION TO TSUEN WAN (HO PUI STREET) AT A FARE OF \$1.
- \* 46M WAH YUEN CHUEN VIA LAI KING MTR STATION TO LAI KING TEMPORARY HOUSING AREA AT A FARE OF \$1.
- \* 90M LAI WAN MTR STATION TO LAI KING TEMPORARY HOUSING AREA AT A FARE OF \$1.
- \* 92M LAI WAN MTR STATION TO WAH YUEN CHUEN AT A FARE OF \$1.

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NO CHANGE IN TSUEN WAN BUS ROUTES ON MAY 10  
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THERE WILL BE NO CHANGE IN BUS ROUTES WHEN THE FIRST PHASE OF THE MTR TSUEN WAN EXTENSION BETWEEN TSUEN WAN AND LAI KING STATIONS COMES INTO OPERATION ON MAY 10.

CHIEF TRANSPORT OFFICER/NEW TERRITORIES, MR DANIEL AU, SAID RESIDENTS IN TSUEN WAN, YUEN LONG AND TUEN MUN WISHING TO INTERCHANGE WITH MTR CAN USE THE EXISTING BUS SERVICES BETWEEN MAY 10 AN 15.

THE FIVE MTR STATIONS TO BE OPENED ON MAY 10 WILL BE TSUEN WAN, KWAI HING, KWAI FONG, TAI WO HAU AND LAI KING.

COMMUTERS WISHING TO GO TO TSING YI, KWAI CHUNG AND KWAI SHING ESTATES CAN INTERCHANGE AT KWAI FONG OR KWAI HING MTR STATIONS WITH THE BUS SERVICES OR MAXICAB ROUTES ALONG HING FONG ROAD.

THOSE WISHING TO GO TO TUEN MUN AND YUEN LONG CAN GET OFF AT TSUEN WAN STATION AND USE THE FOOTBRIDGE NEXT TO FOU WAH CENTRE OR THE PEDESTRIAN CROSSING TO TAKE THE BUS ROUTES AT CASTLE PEAK ROAD.

HE ADVISED MOTORISTS TO MAKE FULL USE OF KWAI FONG STATION FOR +KISS AND RIDE+ AS AMPLE SPACE FOR PICKING UP AND SETTING DOWN PASSENGERS WILL BE AVAILABLE.

A TEMPORARY OPEN-AIR CAR PARK NEAR TSUEN WAN STATION WITH ABOUT 150 PARKING SPACES WILL BE OPENED AT THE END OF THIS MONTH TO PROVIDE +PARK AND RIDE+ FACILITIES.

COMMENTING ON THE BUS ROUTE CHANGE ON MAY 16, HE STRESSED THAT THIS IS TO PROVIDE COMMUTERS WITH WIDEST POSSIBLE CHOICE OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT FACILITIES.

HE EMPHASISED THAT EACH HOUSING ESTATE IN TSUEN WAN AND KWAI CHUNG WILL HAVE AT LEAST ONE DIRECT BUS ROUTE TO URBAN KOWLOON AND A FEEDER ROUTE TO THE NEARBY MTR STATION.

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LIMITED NUMBER OF PRIVATE CARS ALLOWED INTO CHINA SHORTLY  
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A LIMITED NUMBER OF PRIVATE CARS WILL BE ALLOWED TO CROSS THE BORDER AT MAN KAM TO INTO CHINA LATER THIS YEAR FOR STRICTLY BUSINESS PURPOSES.

THE INTENTION IS TO ASSIST HONG KONG BUSINESSMEN WITH SUBSTANTIAL COMMERCIAL INTERESTS IN THE SHENZHEN SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY.

INITIALLY THE ARRANGEMENT WILL BE ON A TRIAL BASIS, HE SAID.

BUSINESSMEN WITH SUBSTANTIAL INTERESTS IN THE SHENZHEN SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE WHO WISH TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS FACILITY MAY APPLY TO THE MAN KAM TO PERMIT OFFICE AT IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS NOT LATER THAN JUNE 1, 1982.

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#### NEW UNIVERSITY STATION BUILDING \* \* \*

THE RAILWAY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE OF THE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT WILL START WORK SOON ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW UNIVERSITY STATION BUILDING AS PART OF THE ELECTRIFICATION AND MODERNISATION OF THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

THIS WILL INCLUDE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SINGLE STOREY STATION BUILDING AND BARRACK QUARTERS FOR KCR STAFF.

ALSO INCLUDED WILL BE THE DEMOLITION OF THE OLD STATION BUILDINGS AFTER THE NEW ONE IS COMPLETED.

A SPOKESMAN OF THE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT POINTED OUT THAT THE NEW UNIVERSITY STATION, WHEN COMPLETED, WOULD SERVE THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT IN MA LIU SHUI RECLAMATION AND MA ON SHAN AND THE ADJOINING CHINESE UNIVERSITY COMPLEX.

HE SAID THAT IT WOULD ALSO PROVIDE MODERN, UP-TO-DATE FACILITIES FOR PASSENGERS TRAVELLING FROM THE UNIVERSITY STATION TO STATIONS BETWEEN HUNG HOM AND LO WU.

TENDERS FOR THE PROJECT ARE BEING INVITED.

WORK WILL START IN JUNE AND IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN FEBRUARY 1983.

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HOME FOR THE AGED AT TAI O  
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THE GOVERNMENT IS PUSHING AHEAD WITH PLANS FOR A HOME FOR THE AGED AT TAI O, THE ISLANDS DISTRICT OFFICER, MR RICKY FUNG, SAID TODAY.

TO BE BUILT BY A NON-PROFIT MAKING ORGANISATION, THE HOME IS INTENDED TO PROVIDE CARE FOR ABOUT 100 PEOPLE.

MR FUNG WAS SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE GERIATRIC HEALTH PROJECT JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE PENINSULA JAYCEES, WITH ASSISTANCE FROM THE TAI O RURAL COMMITTEE AND SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT.

HE NOTED THAT THE ELDERLY TENDED TO FEEL LONELY AND NEGLECTED. +ONCE THEY CATCH A DISEASE THEY MAY FEEL THAT THEY HAVE ENTERED THE WORLD OF NO HOPE.

+IN FACT, IF THEY KNOW HOW TO KEEP THEIR HEALTH IN GOOD CONDITION AND SPEND THEIR LEISURE TIME MEANINGFULLY, THEY CAN STILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE COMMUNITY BY MEANS OF THEIR RICH EXPERIENCE IN LIFE.+

THE HEALTH PROJECT, WHICH COINCIDES WITH THE UNITED NATIONS INTERNATIONAL YEAR FOR THE AGED, WAS AIMED AT AROUSING THE OLD PEOPLE'S AWARENESS ON THE IMPORTANCE OF HEALTH.

+IT IS ALSO HOPED THAT THE TAI O COMMUNITY WILL PAY MORE ATTENTION TO THE NEEDS AND PROBLEMS OF THE AGED WHO WILL OTHERWISE FEEL NEGLECTED,+ HE SAID.

FOLLOWING THE OPENING CEREMONY, FOUR DOCTORS AND TWO CHIROPRACTORS, WHO ARE MEMBERS OF THE PENINSULA JAYCEES, CARRIED OUT A GENERAL MEDICAL CHECK-UP FOR 300 OLD PEOPLE AT TAI O.

THE MEDICAL SCREENING, TO BE CONTINUED IN THE NEXT WEEKEND, INCLUDED BLOOD PRESSURE, EYE, DENTAL AND SPINAL EXAMINATION.

AS PART OF THE PROJECT, A GERIATRIC HEALTH EXHIBITION WAS ALSO HELD IN THE RURAL COMMITTEE OFFICE WITH DISPLAYS ILLUSTRATING THE IMPORTANCE OF BALANCED DIET, SLEEP AND EXERCISE AS WELL AS THE PREVENTION OF CARDIAC AFFECTION, CANCER AND HYPERTENSION.

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900 PEOPLE SAVED BY LIFE GUARDS LAST YEAR

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MEMBERS OF THE HONG KONG LIFE GUARD CLUB SAVED THE LIVES OF 900 PEOPLE LAST YEAR, THE SECRETARY FOR CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION, MR DAVID AKERS-JONES, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

DEEPLY IMPRESSED WITH THEIR WORK, HE TOLD A GATHERING AT THE ANNUAL GRAND PARADE OF HONORARY LIFE GUARDS AT REPULSE BAY:  
+FOR THIS VITAL SERVICE THE COMMUNITY OWES YOU A DEBT OF GRATITUDE.

+WITHOUT THE ESSENTIAL SERVICE PROVIDED BY NEARLY 10 000 LIFE GUARDS, WE WOULD CERTAINLY NOT BE ABLE TO TAKE CARE OF THE MILLIONS OF PEOPLE WHO CROWD OUR BEACHES EACH YEAR.

+YOUR VERY PRESENCE ON THE BEACHES GIVES CONFIDENCE TO ALL BATHERS, AND THAT YOU DO THIS IN AN HONORARY BASIS IS EVEN MORE COMMENDABLE.+

MR AKERS-JONES, WHO IS ALSO THE HONORARY PRESIDENT OF THE NEW TERRITORIES BRANCH OF THE CLUB, TOOK THE SALUTE AT THE PARADE OF HONORARY LIFE GUARDS AND PRESENTED THE GOVERNOR'S SHIELDS TO THE WINNING TEAMS IN THE MEN AND WOMEN SECTIONS.

HE CONGRATULATED ALL THE TEAMS WHO TOOK PART IN +THIS STIRRING AND COLOURFUL MARCH PAST,+ AND THANKED THE WATER SAFETY COMMITTEE FOR THEIR GENEROUS DONATION OF UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT.

FORTY TEAMS COMPRISING MORE THAN 480 MEMBERS TOOK PART IN TODAY'S PARADE WHICH MARKED THE BEGINNING OF THE CLUB'S HONORARY LIFE GUARD SERVICE TO THE PUBLIC IN SUMMER.

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PEDESTRIAN PRECINCT IN CENTRAL

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THE AREA AROUND STATUE SQUARE WILL CONTINUE TO BE A PEDESTRIAN PRECINCT, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

AFTER THREE MONTHS' TRIAL OPERATION, IT HAS PROVED TO BE EXTREMELY POPULAR. THUS THE SECTIONS ON CHATER ROAD AND ICE HOUSE STREET WILL REMAIN CLOSED ON SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

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NTSD RECRUITS PART-TIME LIFEGUARDS  
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LIFE-SAVING CERTIFICATE HOLDERS NOW HAVE A CHANCE TO EARN \$93 PER DAY BY SERVING THE COMMUNITY AS PART-TIME LIFEGUARDS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES DURING THE COMING SWIMMING SEASON.

THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS RECRUITING PART-TIME LIFEGUARDS FOR DUTY AT VARIOUS GAZETTED BEACHES AND SWIMMING POOLS THROUGHOUT THE NEW TERRITORIES.

HOLDERS OF CERTIFICATES ISSUED BY THE ROYAL LIFE-SAVING SOCIETY ARE WELCOMED TO APPLY FOR THE POST. POTENTIAL APPLICANTS SHOULD BE BETWEEN 18 AND 35 OF AGE, AND HAVE STRONG PHYSIQUE AND GOOD EYESIGHT.

PRIORITY WILL ALSO BE GIVEN TO HOLDERS OF HIGHER LIFE-SAVING QUALIFICATIONS AND THOSE WITH EXPERIENCE, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE SALARY FOR THE DAILY RATED POST IS \$93 FOR EVERY EIGHT HOURS.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE NOW OBTAINABLE AT ALL CITY DISTRICT OFFICES AND DISTRICT OFFICES.

COMPLETED APPLICATION FORMS SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE NTSD HEADQUARTERS AT AUSTIN CENTRE, THIRD FLOOR, 19-23 AUSTIN AVENUE, TSIM SHA TSUI, BEFORE MAY 31 (MONDAY).

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NEW SALT WATER PUMP AT TSUEN WAN BAY  
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TENDERS ARE BEING INVITED BY TSUEN WAN NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT OFFICE OF NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SALT WATER PUMPING STATION ON THE RECLAIMED LAND AT TSUEN WAN BAY.

THE PUMPING STATION HAS BEEN DESIGNED TO MEET THE PRESENT AND FUTURE FLUSHING DEMAND OF THE NEW TOWN AND WILL REPLACE THE EXISTING STATION WHICH WILL BE AFFECTED BY FUTURE RECLAMATION AT TSUEN WAN BAY.

WORKS ON THE PROJECT WILL START IN JULY AND TAKE ABOUT 15 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

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IN-SERVICE COURSE FOR TEACHERS OF TECHNICAL SUBJECTS  
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TEACHERS OF TECHNICAL SUBJECTS WHO DO NOT POSSESS PROFESSIONAL TEACHING QUALIFICATIONS CAN ACQUIRE THEM BY TAKING PART IN A TWO-YEAR PART-TIME IN-SERVICE COURSE TO BE RUN FROM THIS YEAR TO 1984 BY THE HONG KONG TECHNICAL TEACHERS' COLLEGE OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

TECHNICAL TEACHERS NOW EMPLOYED IN GOVERNMENT, AIDED OR PRIVATE SCHOOLS, TECHNICAL INSTITUTES OR THE POLYTECHNIC WHO, ALTHOUGH SUITABLY QUALIFIED ACADEMICALLY, DO NOT POSSESS TEACHING QUALIFICATIONS, ARE WELCOME TO APPLY TO ATTEND THE COURSE.

THE COURSE, WHICH IS FREE OF CHARGE, WILL CONSIST OF LECTURES, PRACTICAL/PROJECT WORK AND SUPERVISION OF THEIR TEACHING. TEACHERS WHO HAVE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THE COURSE WILL BE AWARDED A CERTIFICATE WHICH WILL GIVE THEM +QUALIFIED TEACHER+ STATUS.

SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO ATTEND CLASSES ONE DAY PER WEEK PLUS ONE FULL WEEK DURING THE FIRST YEAR OF THE COURSE.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE HONG KONG TECHNICAL TEACHERS' COLLEGE AT 373 QUEEN'S ROAD EAST, WAN CHAI AND THEY SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE COLLEGE VIA HEADS OF SCHOOL OR TECHNICAL INSTITUTE ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30. ENQUIRIES CONCERNING THE COURSE CAN BE MADE ON 5-745311.

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