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POPULAR LIBRARY SERVICE REACHING MORE RURAL CHILDREN  
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THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT'S RURAL MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE HAS BEEN EXPANDED TO MEET THE EXPECTATIONS OF A NEW GENERATION OF YOUNGSTERS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

WITH A FLEET OF FOUR 'LIBRARIES-ON-WHEELS', THE SERVICE IS NOW EXTENDED TO TUEN MUN AND MANY VILLAGES ELSEWHERE.

EACH MOBILE LIBRARY VAN IS MANNED BY TWO WELFARE ASSISTANTS AND A DRIVER. THE FOUR VANS, TOGETHER STOCKING OVER 20 000 BOOKS AND PICTORIALS, TOYS AND GAME SETS, CALL REGULARLY EACH DAY AT LOCATIONS IN SHEUNG SHUI, FANLING, TUEN MUN, YUEN LONG, SHA TIN, TAI PO AND SAI KUNG.

FROM A MODEST START OVER 20 YEARS AGO, THE SERVICE HAS GROWN TO ITS PRESENT SIZE AND IS BECOMING FAST POPULAR WITH THE YOUNG PEOPLE, ACCORDING TO MR. MAK HUNG-CHEUNG, OFFICER-IN-CHARGE OF THE MOBILE UNIT.

+IN THE EARLY DAYS, + HE RECALLED, +WE HAD ONLY ONE VAN LOOKED AFTER BY ONE MAN WHO WAS THEN AFFECTIONATELY KNOWN TO THE VILLAGE BOYS AS THE 'STORY-TELLER'.+

+CONSIDERING THAT RADIO AND TELEVISION WERE NOT SO POPULAR AT THAT TIME, STORY-TELLING WAS ONE OF THE MOST WELCOMED PASTIMES TO THE CHILDREN.+

EVEN THOUGH THE ELECTRONIC ERA HAS COME AND STAYED, THE MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE STILL CREATES INTEREST WHEREVER IT GOES.

IT NOW HAS A MEMBERSHIP OF 8 230 AND THE AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE BY YOUNGSTERS AGED BETWEEN SIX AND 14 IS 338.

APART FROM PROVIDING BOOK-LENDING FACILITIES, IT ORGANISES A WIDE AND INTERESTING RANGE OF RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR ITS READERS AND OTHER YOUNG PEOPLE.

THESE INCLUDE FILM-SHOWS, PICNICS, VISITS, CAMPING TRIPS, FOOTBALL MATCHES AND SOCIAL GATHERINGS.

SPECIAL PROGRAMMES, SUCH AS A +PLAYLEADERSHIP SCHEME+, ARE ALSO INTRODUCED FROM TIME TO TIME.

WHILE PURSUING THESE ACTIVITIES, THE SERVICE ALSO TRIES TO INSTIL A SENSE OF COMMUNITY SERVICE IN ITS YOUNG SUPPORTERS.

+WE DO THIS BY ENCOURAGING AND ARRANGING FOR THEM TO TAKE PART IN COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS, TOGETHER WITH VOLUNTARY BODIES AND OTHER GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, + SAID MR. MAK.

+THIS HELPS TO KEEP THE YOUNGSTERS FROM THE STREETS AND AWAY FROM BAD COMPANY. IT IS GRATIFYING TO SEE OUR SERVICE EXPANDING AND MORE AND MORE YOUNG PEOPLE SPENDING THEIR LEISURE TIME DOING SOMETHING MEANINGFUL AND FOR THE COMMUNITY, + HE NOTED.

MR. MAK WAS HOPEFUL THAT THE MOBILE SERVICE WILL FURTHER REPLENISH ITS STOCK OF BOOKS AND GAME EQUIPMENT, SO THAT ITS ACTIVITIES CAN REACH MORE YOUNGSTERS, VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS, SCHOOLS, AND HOSPITALS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

180 SAFETY TRAINING COURSES HELD FOR WORKERS LAST YEAR  
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THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT'S INDUSTRIAL SAFETY TRAINING CENTRE HAD OFFERED 180 SAFETY TRAINING COURSES TO 6 200 TECHNICIANS, FOREMEN, WORKS SUPERVISORS AND WORKERS LAST YEAR.

THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO BENEFITED FROM THIS FREE SERVICE REPRESENTS AN INCREASE OF NEARLY 17 PER CENT OVER THE FIGURE OF 1978.

IN ADDITION, FACTORY INSPECTORS FROM THE CENTRE GAVE 62 TALKS ON INDUSTRIAL SAFETY TO TECHNICAL INSTITUTES, VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRES, SCHOOLS AND VARIOUS ASSOCIATIONS.

THEY ALSO CONDUCTED 25 SAFETY TRAINING COURSES FOR APPRENTICES IN FACTORIES AND VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS.

THE CENTRE, LOCATED ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF THE CANTON ROAD GOVERNMENT OFFICES IN YAU MA TEI, OFFERS NO LESS THAN 13 DIFFERENT TYPES OF SAFETY COURSES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

THE COURSES ARE ON BASIC INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENT PREVENTION, CONSTRUCTION SAFETY, MANUAL LIFTING AND HANDLING, WORK IN CONFINED SPACE, SLINGING SAFETY, ELECTRICAL SAFETY, SAFETY IN THE USE OF ABRASIVE WHEELS, MACHINERY SAFETY, SAFETY IN DIE-CASTING WORK, SAFETY IN PLASTICS INDUSTRY, SAFETY IN WORK IN COMPRESSED AIR, SAFE USE OF WOODWORKING MACHINERY AND SAFE USE OF POWER PRESSES.

THE DURATION OF THESE COURSES VARIES FROM ONE TO THREE DAYS.

THEIR MAIN OBJECTIVES ARE TO ENABLE THE ATTENDANTS TO IDENTIFY AND ELIMINATE UNSAFE WORKING ENVIRONMENTS AND TO PREPARE THEM FOR THE DUTIES OF A SAFETY SUPERVISOR IN ADDITION TO THEIR NORMAL DUTIES.

THE CENTRE IS ALSO EQUIPPED WITH A WIDE RANGE OF CHARTS, PHOTOGRAPHS, POSTERS, GRAPHS, MACHINERY AND MODELS TO HELP IN CARRYING THE SAFETY MESSAGE ACROSS TO THE PARTICIPANTS.

THE MACHINERY DEMONSTRATES THE CORRECT METHODS OF MACHINE GUARDING AND THE MODELS SHOW SAFETY MEASURES TO BE ADOPTED AT CONSTRUCTION SITES.

THIRTY-FIVE APPRENTICES FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT RECENTLY COMPLETED THE BASIC PREVENTION COURSE AT THE CENTRE.

THE SYLLABUS OF THE THREE-DAY COURSE COVERS EXISTING SAFETY LEGISLATION- SAFE USE OF MACHINERY, HAND TOOL, LIFTING APPLIANCE AND LIFTING GEAR- MACHINE HAZARD AND GUARDING- ELECTRIC HAZARD AND SAFETY- CHEMICAL HAZARD AND FIRE PREVENTION AND WORK IN CONFINED SPACES.

EMPLOYERS ARE WELCOME TO SEND THEIR EMPLOYEES TO ATTEND THE COURSES AND DETAILS ABOUT THEM CAN BE OBTAINED ON TELEPHONE 3-688111 EXT. 347.

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WORK TO START ON SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT FOR  
INDUSTRIAL ESTATE

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CONSTRUCTION OF THE YUEN LONG SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS WILL SHORTLY BEGIN AT WANG CHAU. ON COMPLETION IT WILL PROVIDE FULL SEWAGE TREATMENT FACILITIES FOR THE YUEN LONG INDUSTRIAL ESTATE NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION AND PART OF THE DEVELOPING NEW TOWN.

TENDERS FOR PHASE ONE OF THE FIRST STAGE OF THE PROJECT ARE BEING INVITED BY THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

CIVIL ENGINEERING WORK, WHICH FORMS THE FIRST OF A SERIES OF CONTRACTS TO BE LET, IS EXPECTED TO START IN APRIL AND WILL TAKE ABOUT 28 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

THE WORK WILL INCLUDE THE CONSTRUCTION OF PUMPING STATIONS, SCREEN CHAMBERS, GRIT REMOVAL TANKS, PRIMARY AND FINAL SETTLING TANKS, AERATION TANKS, AND ANCILLARY DRAINAGE.

+IT WILL ALSO PROVIDE FOR ROADWORKS AND THE LAYING OF ABOUT 1 000 METRES OF PIPES, RANGING FROM 100 MM TO 1 800 MM IN DIAMETER,+ SAID MR. WONG WAN-MING, CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE DRAINAGE WORKS DIVISION OF THE PWD CIVIL ENGINEERING OFFICE.

+WHEN COMPLETED, IT WILL PROVIDE SEWAGE PURIFICATION BY WAY OF PRELIMINARY TREATMENT FOR SCREENINGS AND GRIT REMOVAL, PRIMARY SEDIMENTATION FOR THE REMOVAL OF SUSPENDED SOLIDS, AND BIOLOGICAL REDUCTION OF ORGANIC MATTERS UTILISING THE DIFFUSED AIR ACTIVATED SLUDGE PROCESS.

+THE FINAL TREATED EFFLUENT WILL BE DISCHARGED INTO SHAN PUI RIVER AND WILL NOT HAVE ANY DETRIMENTAL EFFECTS ON RECEIVING WATERS,+ MR. WONG SAID.

THIS SCHEME WILL BE JOINTLY FINANCED BY THE GOVERNMENT AND THE HONG KONG INDUSTRIAL ESTATES CORPORATION.

THE WORKS HAVE BEEN DESIGNED AND CONSTRUCTION WILL BE SUPERVISED BY THE DRAINAGE WORKS DIVISION OF THE CIVIL ENGINEERING OFFICE, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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PIPELINES TO BE LAID  
FOR DEVELOPMENT OF TSING YI ISLAND  
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A SYSTEM OF PIPELINES WILL BE LAID ON TSING YI ISLAND TO IMPROVE THE FRESH AND SALT WATER SUPPLY TO THE MAJOR INDUSTRIAL AND RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS ON THE ISLAND.

TENDERS FOR THE WORK ARE BEING INVITED BY THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID THE WORK INVOLVED THE LAYING OF 1 100 METRES OF MILD STEEL PIPELINE OF 600 MM IN DIAMETER BETWEEN CHEUNG CHING ESTATE AND THE RECLAMATION ON THE NORTHERN PART OF THE ENTRANCE OF TSING YI BRIDGE.

THIS PIPELINE WOULD PROVIDE SALT WATER FOR FLUSHING PURPOSES TO THE ESTATE FROM THE PROPOSED SALT WATER PUMPING STATION NEXT TO THE BRIDGE.

+THE CONTRACT WILL ALSO INCLUDE THE LAYING OF 4 900 METRES OF SIMILAR PIPELINES OF DIFFERENT SIZES BETWEEN CHEUNG CHING ESTATE AND NAM WAN, WESTERN PART OF TSING YI, FOR THE SUPPLY OF FRESH WATER TO NEW LARGE-SCALE INDUSTRIAL CONCERNS,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

+ADDITIONAL SMALLER DISTRIBUTION PIPELINES WILL ALSO BE LAID TO AUGMENT EXISTING FRESH AND SALT WATER SUPPLIES AND IMPROVE FIRE-FIGHTING FACILITIES.+

WORK IS EXPECTED TO START IN MARCH AND WILL TAKE ABOUT 12 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

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LUNAR NEW YEAR FAIR STALLS AVAILABLE IN NT  
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LUNAR NEW YEAR FAIR STALLS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES WILL BE ALLOCATED TO THE PUBLIC THROUGH OPEN AUCTIONS THIS YEAR.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT SAID THERE WILL BE FOUR FAIR SITES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES -- ONE EACH AT TAI PO, YUEN LONG, SHEUNG SHUI AND TSUEN WAN.

+THE FAIRS WILL BE HELD BETWEEN FEBRUARY 9 AND 16 AT TAI PO PLAYGROUND, YUEN LONG SPORTS GROUND, SHEK WU HUI PLAYGROUND AT SHEUNG SHUI AND SHA TSUI ROAD SPORTS GROUND AT TSUEN WAN,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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HOWEVER, THE AUCTIONS, AT WHICH THE UPSET PRICE FOR EACH STALL WILL BE \$30, WILL BE HELD ON DIFFERENT DAYS FOR DIFFERENT SITES FROM 9.30 AM TO 12 NOON AND 2.30 PM TO 4 PM AS FOLLOWS:

TAI PO PLAYGROUND FAIR : JANUARY 16 AT TAI PO RURAL COMMITTEE, PO HEUNG STREET.

YUEN LONG SPORTS GROUND FAIR : JANUARY 17 AT PING SHAN RURAL COMMITTEE, ON NING ROAD.

SHEK WU HUI PLAYGROUND FAIR : JANUARY 18 AT FANLING SWIMMING POOL, TAI PO ROAD.

SHA TSUI ROAD SPORTS GROUND FAIR : JANUARY 21 AT PRINCESS ALEXANDRA COMMUNITY CENTRE, TAI HO ROAD.

A TOTAL OF 654 STALLS WILL BE PROVIDED AT THE FOUR FAIR SITES FOR THE SALE OF BOTH WET AND DRY GOODS -- 120 IN TAI PO, 180 IN YUEN LONG, 100 IN SHEUNG SHUI AND 254 IN TSUEN WAN.

+ONLY PERSONS AGED 21 OR ABOVE CAN TAKE PART IN THE AUCTIONS,+ THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

+THEY SHOULD BRING ALONG THEIR IDENTITY CARDS AND TWO PHOTOGRAPHS TO THE AUCTION VENUE.+

SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS WILL BE ISSUED A TEMPORARY HAWKER LICENCE AT \$25 EACH AND THE AMOUNT BID SHOULD BE PAID IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE AUCTION.

DETAILED SITE PLANS OF THE FAIRS AND A LIST OF SALEABLE COMMODITIES FOR FAIR STALLS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM ALL DISTRICT OFFICES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES AND ALL NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DISTRICT OFFICES.

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TEMPORARY CUT IN SALT WATER SUPPLY TO EAST KOWLOON  
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SALT WATER SUPPLY TO MOST AREAS IN EAST KOWLOON WILL BE SUSPENDED FOR 15 HOURS FROM 9 AM TO MIDNIGHT ON TUESDAY (JANUARY 15) FOR THE REPAIR OF WATER MAINS AT KWUN TONG SALT WATER PUMPING STATION.

ALL PREMISES IN SAN PO KONG, NGAU CHI WAN, JORDAN VALLEY, NGAU TAU KOK, SAU MAU PING, KWUN TONG AND LAM TIN WILL BE AFFECTED.

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