



# DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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CHEUNG CHAU RURAL TOWNSHIP SCHEME

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THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (P.W.D.) IS ABOUT TO BEGIN A MAJOR DEVELOPMENT SCHEME AT CHEUNG CHAU AS PART OF THE GOVERNMENT'S RURAL TOWNSHIP SCHEME.

THE P.W.D. PLANS TO RECLAIM NEARLY 15 HECTARES OF FORESHORE AND SEABED ON THE NORTHWEST SIDE OF CHEUNG CHAU FOR PUBLIC AND VILLAGE TYPE HOUSING, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, OPEN SPACE, GOVERNMENT, INSTITUTIONAL AND COMMUNITY USE.

MR. KENNETH KWOK, ACTING GOVERNMENT ENGINEER OF THE P.W.D.'S NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY THAT THE PROPOSED PLAN IS TO PROVIDE BETTER HOMES AND FACILITIES FOR THE EXISTING POPULATION OF CHEUNG CHAU.

CHEUNG CHAU IS ONE OF EIGHT AREAS CHOSEN FOR DEVELOPMENT AS RURAL TOWNSHIPS IN AREAS OUTSIDE OF THE NEW TOWNS OF SHA TIN, TSUEN WAN AND TUEN MUN.

THE AIM OF THE RURAL TOWNSHIP PROGRAMME IS TO PROVIDE BETTER HOMES AND FACILITIES FOR ABOUT 350,000 PEOPLE LIVING IN THE NEW TERRITORIES AND ISLANDS.

THE PROGRAMME IS BEING CO-ORDINATED BY THE NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT BRANCH OF THE P.W.D.'S NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

MR. KWOK SAID THAT +AS IN THE NEW TOWNS, THE AIM IS TO PROVIDE BALANCED DEVELOPMENT WITH ALL BASIC FACILITIES AND ESSENTIAL SERVICES FOR THE RESIDENTS.+

+APART FROM HOUSING, THESE WILL INCLUDE SCHOOLS, CLINICS, COMMUNITY HALLS, SHOPPING CENTRES AND RECREATIONAL AREAS.+

+IN ADDITION SITES WILL BE PROVIDED FOR PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT AND COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL USE,+ MR. KWOK SAID.

HE SAID THAT, IN ADDITION, AT CHEUNG CHAU A SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS WILL BE BUILT ON THE LAND THAT IS TO BE RECLAIMED TO SERVE THE WHOLE OF THE ISLAND.

INCLUDED IN THE FIRST STAGE OF THE DEVELOPMENT IS THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE COLLAPSED SEAWALL BESIDE THE EXISTING TOWN CENTRE AND THE RECLAMATION OF ABOUT A HECTARE OF LAND THERE WHICH WILL BECOME AVAILABLE FOR VILLAGE-TYPE DEVELOPMENT.

DETAILED DESIGN FOR MUCH OF THE REQUIRED ENGINEERING AND BUILDING WORKS BY VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS AND OFFICES, INCLUDING THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT, IS EITHER IN HAND OR UNDERWAY.

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THE NOTICE (IN BOTH ENGLISH AND CHINESE) AND PLANS FOR THE FIRST STAGE OF THE DEVELOPMENT AT CHEUNG CHAU CAN BE SEEN ON NOTICE BOARDS POSTED NEAR THE SITE.

THE PLAN SHOWING THE AREA OF FORESHORE AND SEABED INVOLVED CAN ALSO BE SEEN AT THE PORT WORKS DIVISION, 5TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, OR THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, 19TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, OR THE DISTRICT OFFICE (ISLANDS), INTERNATIONAL BUILDING, 4TH FLOOR, 141 DES VOEUX ROAD, CENTRAL.

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MASTERS URGED TO OBSERVE SAFETY REGULATIONS  
IN NAVIGATING SHIPS

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THE DIRECTOR OF MARINE, MR. M.J. ALEXANDER, HAS URGED ALL MASTERS OF VESSELS TO OBSERVE THE INTERNATIONAL REGULATIONS FOR PREVENTING COLLISIONS AT SEA WHEN NAVIGATING IN RESTRICTED VISIBILITY.

A RECENT COLLISION IN HONG KONG WATERS EMPHASISED THE NEED FOR MASTERS OF ALL VESSELS WHEN NAVIGATING IN RESTRICTED VISIBILITY TO COMPLY STRICTLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE INTERNATIONAL REGULATIONS FOR PREVENTING COLLISIONS AT SEA, HE SAID.

IT ALSO INDICATED THAT WHEN USING RADAR WITHOUT THE BENEFIT OF ADEQUATE PLOTTING FACILITIES THE INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM THE RADAR SHOULD BE REGARDED AS SCANTY AND CONSTRUED ACCORDINGLY, HE ADDED.

MASTERS ARE REMINDED OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE USE OF RADAR INFORMATION AS AN AID TO AVOIDING COLLISIONS AT SEA ANNEXED TO THE INTERNATIONAL REGULATIONS FOR PREVENTING COLLISIONS AT SEA 1960, WHICH SHOULD BE BORNE IN MIND AT ALL TIMES WHEN NAVIGATING WITH THE AID OF RADAR IN RESTRICTED VISIBILITY.

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\$4M SECONDARY SCHOOL FOR LANTAU ISLAND

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THE DEVELOPMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE NEW TERRITORIES RECEIVED ANOTHER BOOST TODAY WITH THE LAYING OF THE FOUNDATION STONE FOR THE FIRST GOVERNMENT SUBSIDISED SECONDARY SCHOOL ON LANTAU ISLAND.

THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR. DAVID AKERS-JONES, OFFICIATED AT THE CEREMONY FOR THE \$4 MILLION BUDDHIST FAT HO MEMORIAL COLLEGE AT TAI O ON THE ISLAND.

THE COLLEGE, THE FOURTH TO BE SPONSORED BY THE HONG KONG BUDDHIST ASSOCIATION, IS SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION BEFORE THE END OF THIS YEAR. IT WILL PROVIDE PLACES FOR 400 STUDENTS.

THE PROJECT OCCUPIES A 30,000 SQ. FT. SITE GRANTED BY THE GOVERNMENT AND ALSO FINANCED BY A GOVERNMENT SUBSIDY OF \$3.35 MILLION. THE REST IS BEING DONATED BY THE PO LIN MONASTERY.

IN A SPEECH DELIVERED IN CANTONESE, MR. AKERS-JONES SAID THE NEW SCHOOL FORMED PART OF THE OVERALL DEVELOPMENT OF TAI O.

NEAR THE SCHOOL IS THE SITE FOR PUBLIC HOUSING FOR TAI O, HE SAID, AND THIS WILL IMPROVE HOUSING CONDITIONS FOR 3,000 PEOPLE AS PART OF THE PROGRAMME TO PROVIDE HOUSING NOT ONLY IN THE NEW TOWNS BUT ELSEWHERE WHERE THERE IS A SIGNIFICANT LOCAL NEED.

+THE BUILDING OF THE SCHOOL, THE PROVISION OF HOUSING AND FACILITIES FOR RECREATION, COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES, SHOPPING AND SMALL INDUSTRY WILL TRANSFORM TAI O OVER THE COURSE OF THE NEXT FEW YEARS,+ HE SAID.

MR. AKERS-JONES PRAISED THE HONG KONG BUDDHIST ASSOCIATION AND THE PO LIN MONASTERY FOR THEIR EFFORTS AND ENTHUSIASM IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION AND OTHER SOCIAL ACHIEVEMENTS.

HE SAID THE SCHOOL PROJECT REPRESENTED A COMBINED CONTRIBUTION FROM, AND COOPERATION BETWEEN, THE ASSOCIATION AND THE GOVERNMENT.

+A SIMILAR EFFORT WILL BE MADE IN THE BUILDING OF ANOTHER SECONDARY SCHOOL NEAR MUI WO, TO WHICH THE HEUNG YEE KUK IS MAKING CONTRIBUTION, ON THE OTHER CORNER OF THE ISLAND IN THE FUTURE,+ HE SAID.

EARLIER, MR. WONG WAN-TIN, VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE HONG KONG BUDDHIST ASSOCIATION, SAID THE SCHOOL WAS NAMED AFTER THE LATE REV. FAT HO WHO WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR RENOVATING AND REORGANISING THE PO LIN MONASTERY, THE LARGEST IN HONG KONG.

MR. WONG SAID THE ASSOCIATION ALWAYS HAD THE GOAL OF HELPING THOSE IN NEED, WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE WORK.

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+BY SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR, WHEN THIS COLLEGE AND ANOTHER SECONDARY SCHOOL AND PRIMARY SCHOOL ARE COMPLETED, WE SHALL HAVE FIVE SECONDARY SCHOOLS PROVIDING 3,700 PLACES, 10 SUBSIDISED PRIMARY SCHOOLS WITH 20,000 PLACES, AND THREE KINDERGARTENS WITH 1,500 PLACES,+ HE SAID.

ALTOGETHER, THERE WILL BE 25,200 PLACES, 42 PER CENT OF WHICH ARE IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, HE ADDED.

IN THE NEAR FUTURE, MR. WONG SAID, THE ASSOCIATION WOULD CONCENTRATE ON BUILDING MORE SECONDARY SCHOOLS, MAINLY IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, TO COPE WITH THE GOVERNMENT'S POLICY.

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TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS TO BE INTRODUCED IN  
TIN LOK LANE  
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A NUMBER OF TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN TIN LOK LANE, WANCHAI, FROM 10 A.M. ON SUNDAY TO FACILITATE CABLE DIVERSION WORKS BY THE HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY.

THE TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS, WHICH WILL LAST FOR ABOUT ONE WEEK, ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- \* ALL MOTOR VEHICLES IN HENNESSY ROAD WESTBOUND AND EASTBOUND, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF FRANCHISED BUSES, WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM TURNING LEFT OR RIGHT INTO TIN LOK LANE SOUTHBOUND=
- \* ALL MOTOR VEHICLES IN WAN CHAI ROAD EASTBOUND, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF FRANCHISED BUSES, WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM TURNING LEFT INTO TIN LOK LANE NORTHBOUND= AND
- \* ALL MOTOR VEHICLES IN THE NORTHBOUND SECTION OF MORRISON HILL ROAD SOUTH OF ITS JUNCTION WITH WAN CHAI ROAD, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF FRANCHISED BUSES AND TRAMS, WILL BE DIVERTED INTO WAN CHAI ROAD WESTBOUND.

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE ERECTED TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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ADVICE ON HEALTH MEASURES TO PREVENT  
GASTRO-INTESTINAL DISEASES  
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THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT TODAY ADVISED THE PUBLIC TO TAKE PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES AGAINST THE POSSIBLE OUTBREAK OF CERTAIN GASTRO-INTESTINAL DISEASES WHICH TEND TO BECOME PREVALENT IN THE WARM SEASON.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID WITH THE ARRIVAL OF THE WARM WEATHER THE PUBLIC SHOULD PAY SPECIAL ATTENTION TO PERSONAL, FOOD AND ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE, WHICH IS THE MOST EFFECTIVE METHOD IN PREVENTING THE SPREAD OF THESE DISEASES.

COMMONLY ASSOCIATED WITH THE WARM WEATHER ARE SUCH DISEASES AS TYPHOID FEVER, DYSENTERY, FOOD POISONING AND VIRAL HEPATITIS.

AS MOST GASTRO-INTESTINAL DISEASES ARE TRANSMITTED THROUGH CONTAMINATED FOOD AND DRINK, OR NEGLECT IN PERSONAL HYGIENE, THE SPOKESMAN URGED THE PUBLIC TO BE +EXTRA CAUTIOUS+ IN EATING, PARTICULARLY WHEN THEY EAT AT PUBLIC PLACES.

HE WARNED THAT IMPROPERLY COOKED FOOD COULD CAUSE INFECTION AND FURTHER ADVISED THAT PROPERLY COOKED FOOD, IF NOT EATEN IMMEDIATELY, SHOULD NOT BE LEFT UNCOVERED AND EXPOSED TO CONTAMINATION.

PROPER STORAGE OF PREPARED FOOD WOULD ALSO REDUCE THE RISK OF FOOD POISONING, PARTICULARLY IN THE HOT WEATHER.

THE SPOKESMAN ALSO REMINDED THAT AT A TIME OF WATER RESTRICTION, ALL DRINKING WATER SHOULD BE BOILED, ESPECIALLY WATER STORED IN CONTAINERS SUCH AS TANKS, BUCKETS OR BINS.

AS FOR OTHER PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES, THE PUBLIC NEED ONLY TO OBSERVE SOME SIMPLE RULES OF PERSONAL HYGIENE, SUCH AS WASHING OF HANDS BEFORE MEALS AND AFTER VISITS TO TOILETS, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANLINESS, SUCH AS PROPER DISPOSAL OF REFUSE AND EXCRETA, IS MOST ESSENTIAL IN PREVENTING THE SPREAD OF DISEASES, HE ADDED.

THE SPOKESMAN ALSO WARNED THE PUBLIC TO BE ON THE ALERT IN PREVENTING THE OCCURRENCE OF +RED EYE+ DISEASE, WHICH IS QUITE COMMON DURING THE SWIMMING SEASON.

AN OUTBREAK OF THE HIGHLY INFECTIOUS DISEASE OCCURRED IN THE SUMMER OF 1975, WHEN MORE THAN 10,000 PEOPLE WERE TREATED IN THE GOVERNMENT'S EYE CLINICS IN SEPTEMBER OF THAT YEAR ALONE.

THE SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED THAT THE COMMONEST MEANS OF SPREADING THE DISEASE IS THROUGH CONTACT IN PUBLIC PLACES SUCH AS SWIMMING POOLS AND AMONG FAMILIES.

+IT IS, THEREFORE, IMPORTANT THAT PEOPLE SUFFERING FROM THE DISEASE SHOULD STAY AWAY FROM PUBLIC SWIMMING POOLS, AND IF A MEMBER OF THE FAMILY HAS CONTRACTED THE DISEASE, THE OTHER MEMBERS SHOULD TAKE CARE NOT TO SHARE THE SAME TOWEL OR HANDKERCHIEF,+ HE SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT ALTHOUGH THERE HAD BEEN NO LOCAL CASES OF CHOLERA SINCE 1969 THE PUBLIC MUST NOT BE TEMPTED TO RELAX THE PREVENTIVE MEASURES.

VACCINATIONS AGAINST THE COMMON INFECTIOUS DISEASES ARE AVAILABLE AT ALL GOVERNMENT GENERAL OUT-PATIENT CLINICS AND INOCULATION POSTS.

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ANTI-NARCOTICS EDUCATION AND  
PUBLICITY PROGRAMME TO BE ANNOUNCED

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

A PRESS CONFERENCE TO ANNOUNCE THIS YEAR'S ANTI-NARCOTICS EDUCATION AND PUBLICITY PROGRAMME WILL BE HELD IN THE G.I.S. THEATRE ON THE 5TH FLOOR OF BEACONSFIELD HOUSE ON MONDAY (JUNE 13) AT 2.30 P.M.

SPEAKERS AT THE CONFERENCE WILL BE MR. E.I. LEE, COMMISSIONER FOR NARCOTICS, AND DR. K.L. STUMPF, CHAIRMAN OF ACAN'S PREVENTIVE EDUCATION AND PUBLICITY SUB-COMMITTEE.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND YOUR REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE PRESS CONFERENCE.

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SEMINAR ON AIR POLLUTION  
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ABOUT 400 TEACHERS AND STUDENT LEADERS ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND A SEMINAR ON SATURDAY MORNING (JUNE 11) ON +PROJECT WINDSHIFT+, AN EXPERIMENT DESIGNED TO PRODUCE UNIQUE LOCAL WIND PATTERN DATA TO ASSIST IN THE FIGHT AGAINST AIR POLLUTION.

THE SEMINAR, TO BE HELD AT THE TRUE LIGHT GIRLS' COLLEGE IN WATERLOO ROAD, IS ORGANISED BY THE CONSERVANCY ASSOCIATION, THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY, THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT AND THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT. THE SPONSORS ARE RANK XEROX LTD.

THE SEMINAR WILL BE OPENED BY THE DEPUTY CHIEF INSPECTOR OF SCHOOLS, MRS. LOUISE MOK.

THE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL UNIT OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT HAS ANALYSED THE OBSERVATION REPORTS SENT IN BY 49 PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS, THROUGH THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

A FINAL REPORT HAS BEEN COMPILED BY THE UNIT. DURING THE SEMINAR AN ILLUSTRATED TALK ON THE REPORT WILL BE GIVEN BY MR. M.K. CHUNG OF THE UNIT. THE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICER, MR. D. NEWBURY WILL PRESENT BANNERS TO 19 SCHOOLS WHICH SENT IN OUTSTANDING OBSERVATION REPORTS OF +PROJECT WINDSHIFT+.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONSERVANCY ASSOCIATION, DR. L.K. DING, WILL PRESENT A COPY OF THE FINAL REPORT TO MR. LAWRENCE LUNG, SALES MANAGER OF RANK XEROX.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO HAVE THE SEMINAR COVERED. THE TWO-HOUR SEMINAR WILL BEGIN AT 10 A.M. ON SATURDAY AT TRUE LIGHT GIRLS' COLLEGE, 54A, WATERLOO ROAD, KOWLOON.

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YOUNG MEETS OLD IN CALLIGRAPHY EXHIBITION  
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YOUNG AND OLD CALLIGRAPHERS AND PAINTERS IN HONG KONG, RANGING IN AGE FROM TEENS TO EIGHTIES, WILL MEET THIS WEEKEND WHEN THEIR WORKS WILL BE DISPLAYED AT AN EXHIBITION IN THE CITY HALL EXHIBITION HALL.

THE EXHIBITION, FOR THE APPRECIATION OF CHINESE CALLIGRAPHY AND FOR SHOWING WINNING WORKS OF A YOUTH CULTURAL AND ARTS COMPETITION, HAS BEEN ORGANISED BY ABOUT 40 VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS, INCLUDING THE VARIOUS LIONS CLUBS, JAYCEES AND KAIFONGS, AND IS SPONSORED BY THE HOME AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT.

APART FROM WORKS BY YOUNG ARTISTS IN WESTERN PAINTING, THE EXHIBITION WILL FEATURE MANY MASTERPIECES BY CONTEMPORARY CALLIGRAPHERS.

IT IS HOPED THAT THE EXHIBITION WILL PROMOTE CHINESE TRADITIONAL ART, ENHANCE YOUNG PEOPLE'S INTEREST IN THE STUDY OF CHINESE CALLIGRAPHY, ENCOURAGE YOUNG TALENT, AND PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR ARTIST STUDENTS TO LEARN FROM EACH OTHER.

THE DIRECTOR OF HOME AFFAIRS, MR. CHUI KAM, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY ON SATURDAY (JUNE 11) AT 2.30 P.M.

MR. T.C. CHENG, THE PRO-VICE CHANCELLOR OF THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG, WILL PRESENT COMMEMORATIVE SHIELDS TO THE CALLIGRAPHERS.

ARTISTS OF WORLD RENOWN, INCLUDING PROFESSOR CHAO SHAO-ONG, MR. CHAN KING-HUNG, MR. CHUI TAM-MAN AND MR. CHAN FOOK-SIN, WILL DEMONSTRATE IMPROMPTU PAINTING AND CALLIGRAPHY AFTER THE CEREMONY.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

THE OPENING CEREMONY AT THE CITY HALL EXHIBITION HALL WILL BE HELD AT 2.30 P.M. SHARP ON SATURDAY. THERE WILL BE A TEA PARTY RECEPTION BEFORE THE CEREMONY. YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND A REPORTER/PHOTOGRAPHER TO COVER THE EVENT.

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