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GOVERNOR TO VISIT COUNTRY PARKS

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THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, WILL TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) AFTERNOON PAY HIS FIRST OFFICIAL VISIT TO HONG KONG'S COUNTRY PARKS WHICH ARE DEVELOPED AND MANAGED BY THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT FOR CONSERVATION, EDUCATION AND RECREATIONAL PURPOSES.

ACCOMPANIED BY LADY WILSON AND THE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES, DR LAWRENCE LEE, SIR DAVID WILL FLY TO THE TAI TONG TREE NURSERY IN TAI LAM COUNTRY PARK BY HELICOPTER TO SEE THE PRODUCTION OF TREE SEEDLINGS AND VIEW THE AFFORESTATION WORK IN THE NEARBY COUNTRY PARK AREAS.

THE GOVERNOR WILL NEXT VISIT THE LEAD MINE PASS MANAGEMENT CENTRE WHERE HE WILL BE BRIEFED ON THE CONCERTED EFFORTS MADE BY VARIOUS GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS IN PROTECTING COUNTRY PARK PLANTATIONS AGAINST FIRES.

HE WILL ALSO TOUR THE SHING MUN ARBORETUM, THE FIRST OF ITS KIND IN HONG KONG WITH A TOTAL OF 2,400 TREE AND SHRUB SPECIMENS INCLUDING RARE AND PROTECTED PLANT SPECIES.

SIR DAVID WILL CONCLUDE HIS VISIT BY CALLING AT A POPULAR BARBECUE/PICNIC SITE FOR THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED IN THE SAI KUNG COUNTRY PARK AND TOURING THE NEARBY VISITOR CENTRE, THE FIRST AND THE MOST POPULAR OF THE THREE PURPOSE-BUILT VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRES IN LOCAL COUNTRY PARKS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

IN VIEW OF THE TIGHT VISIT PROGRAMME AND THE FACT THAT THE GOVERNOR WILL BE TRAVELLING BY HELICOPTER, ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE FOR THE MEDIA TO COVER ONLY THE LAST PART OF HIS VISIT - TO THE SAI KUNG COUNTRY PARK - WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE AT 4 PM.

TRANSPORT FOR MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES WILL LEAVE AFD HEADQUARTERS, CANTON ROAD GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 393 CANTON ROAD, KOWLOON, AT 2.45 PM.

THOSE MAKING THEIR OWN TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS SHOULD ASSEMBLE AT THE COURTYARD IN FRONT OF THE SAI KUNG COUNTRY PARK VISITOR CENTRE AT PAK TAM CHUNG (OPPOSITE THE PO LEUNG KUK PAK TAM CHUNG HOLIDAY CAMP) BEFORE 3.45 PM.

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TALKS ON DEFENCE COSTS AGREEMENT TO RESUME

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THE FOURTH ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS ON THE DEFENCE COSTS AGREEMENT WILL RESUME IN HONG KONG ON THURSDAY (FEBRUARY 25), A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (TUESDAY).

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE FOURTH ROUND HAD BEEN ADJOURNED EARLIER TO ALLOW THE TWO SIDES TO CONSULT THEIR RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS. HE SAID HE EXPECTED THE TALKS TO LAST SEVERAL DAYS.

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MORE TICKETS ISSUED FOR SPEEDING

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POLICE ACTION AGAINST EXCESSIVE SPEEDING WAS HEIGHTENED IN 1987 WITH DOUBLE THE NUMBER OF OFFENCES BEING TICKETTED FOR EXCEEDING THE LIMIT BY OVER 30 KILOMETRES AN HOUR.

A TOTAL OF 4,524 FIXED PENALTY (MOVING) OFFENCE TICKETS WERE ISSUED FOR EXCEEDING THE SPEED LIMIT BY MORE THAN 30 KMH (A RISE OF 102.6 PER CENT), WHILE 494 WERE PENALISED FOR DRIVING 45 KMH OR MORE OVER THE LIMIT (UP 126.6 PER CENT).

THESE TWO CATEGORIES ATTRACT FIVE AND EIGHT DRIVING OFFENCE POINTS RESPECTIVELY.

IN HIS ANNUAL TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT REPORT 1987, THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR, TRAFFIC, MR PEDRO CHING, NOTES THAT THE DRIVING OFFENCE POINTS SYSTEM IS NOW PLAYING A MAJOR ROLE IN ROAD SAFETY, WITH 2,214 DRIVERS ALREADY SUSPENDED, 12 OF THEM FOR THE SECOND TIME.

THERE ARE ALSO 15,848 DRIVERS HAVING ACCUMULATED 10 OR MORE POINTS, AN 85 PER CENT INCREASE OVER THE FIGURE FOR 1986.

THE NUMBER OF SEAT BELT PROSECUTIONS DECREASED FROM 20,771 TO 13,170, OR 36.6 PER CENT. THIS FOLLOWS A DROP OF 29.7 PER CENT IN 1986, AND SUGGESTS A GENERAL ACCEPTANCE BY THE MOTORING PUBLIC OF THIS SAFETY PRECAUTION.

THE NUMBER OF SUMMONS OFFENCES ALSO DECREASED, MAINLY DUE TO A POLICY OF VERBAL WARNINGS BEING GIVEN TO PEDESTRIANS INSTEAD OF SUMMONS ACTION BEING TAKEN.

IMPROVED FACILITIES FOR PEDESTRIANS, TOGETHER WITH PEDESTRIANS OWN AWARENESS OF THE DANGERS THEY FACE, HAS ALSO PLAYED ITS PART.

HOWEVER, IT SHOULD NOT BE FORGOTTEN THAT PEDESTRIAN NEGLIGENCE IS STILL ONE OF THE GREATEST CAUSATIVE FACTORS IN ACCIDENTS, THE REPORT POINTS OUT.

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TWO NEW AIDS CASES REPORTED

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TWO NEW CASES OF AIDS (ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY SYNDROME) HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED BY THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

ONE OF THE PATIENTS HAS DIED WHILE THE OTHER ONE IS STILL UNDER TREATMENT.

THE DECEASED WAS A CHINESE MAN WHO WAS A NEW ARRIVAL IN HONG KONG.

LATEST STATISTICS ON THE DISEASE WERE RELEASED BY THE DEPARTMENT TODAY (TUESDAY).

SO FAR, HONG KONG HAS REPORTED 12 CONFIRMED AIDS PATIENTS - ONE FEMALE AND 11 MALES. TWO OF THE PATIENTS SURVIVE, AND ARE UNDER TREATMENT.

THE MAJORITY OF THE PATIENTS HAD SEXUALLY ACQUIRED THE DISEASE. SEVEN WERE IDENTIFIED AS NON-CHINESE.

ACCORDING TO THE LATEST STATISTICS UNDER THE AIDS SURVEILLANCE PROGRAMME, FOUR MORE PERSONS WERE FOUND TO BE INFECTED BY THE AIDS VIRUS IN JANUARY.

SINCE APRIL 1985, A TOTAL OF 79,936 PERSONS HAVE BEEN TESTED FOR THE AIDS ANTIBODY AND 110 WERE FOUND TO BE INFECTED. NEARLY HALF OF THE INFECTED PERSONS ARE HAEMOPHILIACS.

THE AIDS SURVEILLANCE PROGRAMME IS CARRIED OUT BY THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO MONITOR THE SPREAD OF THE DISEASE IN HONG KONG.

THE HIGH RISK GROUPS TESTED FOR THE HIV ANTIBODY INCLUDE HAEMOPHILIACS, INTRAVENEOUS DRUG ABUSERS AND SEXUALLY PROMISCUOUS PEOPLE.

DURING JANUARY, THE HONG KONG RED CROSS BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE SCREENED 13,297 UNITS OF DONATED BLOOD AND ALL SHOWED NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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 AIDS Virus (HIV) Antibody Testing
 医务衛生署
 Medical & Health Department
 病毒組
 Virus Unit

	April 85 - Dec 87		Jan 88		Total	
	No. tested	No. +ve	No. tested	No. +ve	No. tested	No. +ve
經由政府醫院及診所介紹 Referrals from Govt. hospitals and clinics	4 298	22	228	3	4 526	25
經由私家醫生及補助醫院介紹 Referrals from private practitioners and subvented hospitals	1 458	24	27	0	1 485	24
到社會衛生科求診人次 Attendances at social hygiene clinics	68 643	9	2 618	0	71 261	9
血友病患者 Haemophiliacs	281	51	16	1	297*	52
濫用注射藥物者 IV. drug abusers	1 761	0	61	0	1 822	0
經由家庭計劃指導會介紹 Referrals from Family Planning Association	121	0	2	0	123	0
健康護理人員 Health care personnel	414	0	8	0	422	0
Total 總數	76 976	106	2 960	4	79 936	110

* This indicates the number of specimens and not persons as tests are repeated for certain individuals.
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	April 85 - Dec 87		Jan 88		Total	
	No. tested	No. +ve	No. tested	No. +ve	No. tested	No. +ve
香港紅十字會輸血服務 Hong Kong Red Cross Blood Transfusion Service	349 287	5	13 297	0	362 584	5

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本港愛滋病患者分析
 Analysis of AIDS cases in Hong Kong

	as of 26.1.88	as of 23.2.88
1. Total no. of cases 個案總數	10	12
2. Total no. of deaths 總死亡人數	9	10
3. Risk factor 感染因素		
sexually acquired 性接觸	8	9
unknown 不詳	2	3
	<u>10</u>	<u>12</u>
4. Sex 性別		
male 男	9	11
female 女	1	1
	<u>10</u>	<u>12</u>
5. Age 年齡		
Adult 成年人	10	12
6. Nationality 國籍		
Chinese 中國	4	5
Non-Chinese 非中國	6	7
	<u>10</u>	<u>12</u>

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EPD SENDS OUT LETTERS ON EX-GRATIA ALLOWANCE

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THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT (EPD) HAS SENT LETTERS TO FARM OPERATORS IN THE LIVESTOCK KEEPING PROHIBITION AREAS OFFERING THEM AN EX-GRATIA ALLOWANCE WHEN THEY CEASE THEIR LIVESTOCK KEEPING OPERATIONS.

THE PROHIBITION AREAS COVER HONG KONG ISLAND AND KOWLOON, SHA TIN NEW TOWN AND ENVIRONS, AND PARTS OF TAI PO, TSUEN WAN, KWAI TSING, TUEN MUN, FANLING AND SHEUNG SHUI, YUEN LONG, TIN SHUI WAI AND JUNK BAY NEW TOWNS.

AS SET OUT IN THE FIRST SCHEDULE OF THE WASTE DISPOSAL (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE 1987, WITH EFFECT FROM JUNE 24 THIS YEAR, LIVESTOCK KEEPING WILL BE PROHIBITED IN THE ABOVE AREAS.

FARMERS IN THE PROHIBITION AREAS SHOULD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE PROVIDE THE EPD WITH THE DATE ON WHICH THEY PROPOSE TO CEASE BUSINESS AS IT WILL TAKE SEVERAL MONTHS FOR THE DEPARTMENT TO COMPLETE ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS.

THOSE WHO HAVE NOT RECEIVED A LETTER OFFERING AN EX-GRATIA ALLOWANCE SHOULD CONTACT THE EPD EITHER IN WRITING OR BY TELEPHONE ON 3-7332285, 3-7332286, OR 3-7332292.

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SOUTHERN DB TO DISCUSS WHITE PAPER

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MEMBERS OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD WILL EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS ON THE WHITE PAPER ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT AT A MEETING ON THURSDAY (FEBRUARY 25).

THEY WILL ALSO REVIEW THE WORK OF THE BOARD AND ITS COMMITTEE, AT THIS LAST BOARD MEETING OF THE PRESENT TERM.

MEANWHILE, TWO MEMBERS WILL ASK A QUESTION CONCERNING THE CHANGES IN THE STRUCTURE, AMBIT AND POLICIES OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY IN CONNECTION WITH ITS REORGANISATION.

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OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE REPORTS OF THE DISTRICT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, THE BOARD'S VARIOUS COMMITTEES AND THE DISTRICT'S SIX AREA COMMITTEES.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD MEETING ON THURSDAY (FEBRUARY 25) IN THE DISTRICT BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM, SECOND FLOOR, MEI FUNG COURT, 7-11 NAM NING STREET, ABERDEEN CENTRE. THE MEETING WILL START AT 2.30 PM.

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FORUMS FOR TUEN MUN DB CANDIDATES

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THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT OFFICE HAS ORGANISED 10 PUBLIC FORUMS BETWEEN TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) AND MARCH 6 (SUNDAY) TO INTRODUCE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTION CANDIDATES TO VOTERS.

EACH OF THE 32 CANDIDATES IN THE NINE CONSTITUENCIES WILL BE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT HIS PLATFORM AND TO ANSWER QUESTIONS.

DETAILS OF THE FORUMS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

CONSTITUENCY	DATE	TIME	VENUE
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SHAN KING	FEB. 24 (WED.)	8.30 PM	OPEN SPACE OUTSIDE SHAN KING COMMUNITY HALL
NORTH EAST	FEB. 25 (THUR.)	8.30 PM	OPEN SPACE IN FRONT OF ELITE GARDEN AT TSING LING PATH
SOUTH EAST	FEB. 26 (FRI.)	8.30 PM	OPEN SPACE OUTSIDE ON TING/YAU OI COMMUNITY CENTRE
YAU OI	FEB. 27 (SAT.)	8.30 PM	OI LOK SQUARE, YAU OI ESTATE
NORTH WEST	FEB. 28 (SUN.)	8.30 PM	SQUARE NEAR SIU FAI HOUSE, SIU HONG COURT
CASTLE PEAK	MAR. 1 (TUE.)	8.30 PM	VOLLEYBALL COURT OPPOSITE TIP LING HOUSE, BUTTERFLY ESTATE

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TAI HING	MAR. 3 (THUR.)	8.30 PM	OPEN SPACE OUTSIDE MANAGEMENT OFFICE OF TAI HING ESTATE
SOUTH WEST	MAR. 4 (FRI.)	8.30 PM	BASKETBALL COURT OPPOSITE WU YUET HOUSE, WU KING ESTATE
TOWN CENTRE	MAR. 5 (SAT.)	2.30 PM	YAN OI SQUARE, TOWN CENTRE
WHOLE DISTRICT	MAR. 6 (SUN.)	10.30 AM	YAN OI SQUARE, TOWN CENTRE

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YAU MA TEI DISTRICT SPRING RECEPTION

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THE YAU MA TEI DISTRICT OFFICE WILL HOLD A SPRING RECEPTION FOR MEMBERS OF THE DISTRICT BOARD AND AREA COMMITTEE AS WELL AS LOCAL COMMUNITY LEADERS TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) AT THE GOLDEN MILE RESTAURANT, THIRD FLOOR, SILVERCORD, 30 CANTON ROAD, KOWLOON.

THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR T.H. CHAU, WILL ATTEND THE FUNCTION WHICH WILL START AT 3 PM.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE EVENT.

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LRT ON DB COMMITTEE AGENDA

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THE TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE OF THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD WILL MEET TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) TO DISCUSS TWO ITEMS IN CONNECTION WITH THE COMING INTO OPERATION OF THE LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT SYSTEM.

THEY ARE THE PROPOSED STOPPING RESTRICTIONS AT ROAD JUNCTIONS IN TUEN MUN AND THE SAFETY OF THE PEDESTRIAN CROSSING IN YAU OI ESTATE.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE THE PROPOSED BUS ROUTE 67X; REQUEST FOR ONE MORE BUS STOP FOR ROUTE 60M; REPAIRS TO YICK YUEN NORTH STREET AND THE PROVISION OF A SIDEWALK; NORTHBOUND TRAFFIC ON HEUNG SZE WUI ROAD; AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PERMANENT PEDESTRIAN WALKWAY AT HEUNG SZE WUI ROAD NEAR THE TOWN PARK.

THE MEETING WILL ALSO DISCUSS ROAD SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS CAUSED BY THE CONTAINER YARD IN SO KWUN WAT TSUEN; AND NECESSARY IMPROVEMENTS SUBSEQUENT TO THE CLOSING OF A FOOTBRIDGE LINKING YAU OI ESTATE AND SIU ON COURT.

MEMBERS WILL BE BRIEFED ON THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT'S LATEST REPORT.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) IN THE DISTRICT BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM, THIRD FLOOR, GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, NO. 1 TUEN HI ROAD, TUEN MUN. IT WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM.

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DB COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS LAYOUT PLAN

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THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT BOARD'S TOWN PLANNING AND AREA DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE WILL MEET TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) TO DISCUSS THE OUTLINE LAYOUT AND LANDSCAPE PLAN FOR THE TAI TONG EAST BORROW AREA.

TAI TONG EAST HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS AN APPROPRIATE RESOURCE FOR PROVIDING SOFT-FILL REQUIRED FOR THE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN THE NORTH WEST NEW TERRITORIES.

THE BORROW AREA, LOCATED LARGELY WITHIN TAI LAM COUNTRY PARK, WILL BE DEVELOPED INTO A RECREATIONAL AREA WHEN BORROWING ACTIVITIES ARE COMPLETED.

AT THE MEETING, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PING SHAN RURAL COMMITTEE WILL ASK ABOUT THE PROGRESS OF ROADWORKS IN TONG YAN SAN TSUEN.

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YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT BOARD'S TOWN PLANNING AND AREA DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) IN THE DISTRICT BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM, 13TH FLOOR, TAI KIU GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, 2 KIU LOK SQUARE, YUEN LONG. IT WILL BEGIN AT 3 PM.

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SAI KUNG DISTRICT SPRING RECEPTION

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THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT OFFICE WILL HOLD A SPRING RECEPTION AT 3 PM ON THURSDAY (FEBRUARY 25) IN THE TUNG YUEN RESTAURANT, YI CHUN STREET, SAI KUNG TOWN.

COMMUNITY LEADERS, AND REPRESENTATIVES OF MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES AND LOCAL ORGANISATIONS WILL ATTEND.

THE DEPUTY REGIONAL SECRETARY (NEW TERRITORIES/SPECIAL DUTIES), MR LEO KWAN, WILL BE THE GUEST OF HONOUR.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

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FREE CONCERT FOR MONG KOK RESIDENTS

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A CONCERT FEATURING CANTONESE OPERA SINGING AND POP MUSIC WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY (FEBRUARY 27) EVENING AT THE QUEEN ELIZABETH SCHOOL.

A WIDE SELECTION OF BOTH OPERATIC AND POPULAR SONGS WILL BE PRESENTED BY WELL-KNOWN ARTISTES AND MUSICIANS.

SPONSORED BY THE MONG KOK DISTRICT BOARD, THE FUNCTION WILL MARK THE CLOSING OF THE DISTRICT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT CAMPAIGN.

FREE ADMISSION TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE MONG KOK DISTRICT OFFICE, 157 PRINCE EDWARD ROAD, AND AT ITS TAI KOK TSUI BRANCH OFFICE, 85 IVY STREET.

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LUNAR NEW YEAR PROGRAMMES FOR CENTRAL AND WESTERN RESIDENTS

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TWO SPECIAL PROGRAMMES TO CELEBRATE THE SPRING FESTIVAL WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY (FEBRUARY 28) FOR RESIDENTS OF THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT.

THE VICTORIA PEAK WALKATHON WILL START AT 9.30 AM AT THE CHIU SHEUNG SCHOOL IN POK FU LAM ROAD. THE WALK ROUND THE PEAK WILL ENABLE PARTICIPANTS TO HAVE SOME GOOD EXERCISE AND IS MEANT TO BRING THEM GOOD LUCK.

AT 2.30 PM, A CARNIVAL FEATURING STALL GAMES, LUCKY DRAW, LION DANCE AND SINGING PERFORMANCE WILL BE HELD AT THE KING GEORGE V MEMORIAL PARK IN EASTERN STREET.

THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MISS ELIZABETH TSE, WILL OFFICIATE AT BOTH FUNCTIONS WHICH ARE JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE, THE URBAN COUNCIL, THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT, THE SAI YING PUN AND THE KENNEDY TOWN AND MOUNT DAVIS AREA COMMITTEES, AND LOCAL ORGANISATIONS.

ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON 5-8523002 OR 5-8170196.

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COURTESY CAMPAIGN IN NORTH DISTRICT

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A HOST OF PROGRAMMES OF THE NORTH DISTRICT COURTESY CAMPAIGN WILL BE HELD AT THE SHEUNG SHUI AND FANLING RAILWAY STATIONS ON THURSDAY (FEBRUARY 25).

ORGANISED BY THE NORTH DISTRICT STEERING COMMITTEE ON THE PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION, THE CAMPAIGN IS AIMED AT AROUSING RESIDENTS' ATTENTION TO THE NEED TO BE CONSIDERATE AND COURTEOUS, AND TO OBSERVE RULES WHEN USING PUBLIC TRANSPORT AND ESCALATORS.

TO START OFF THE CAMPAIGN, A POSTER DESIGN COMPETITION WAS HELD BETWEEN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER LAST YEAR.

THE ACTIVITIES ON THURSDAY WILL INCLUDE AN EXHIBITION OF ENTRIES TO THE POSTER DESIGN COMPETITION AT THE SHEUNG SHUI RAILWAY STATION, QUIZZES AT THE SHEUNG SHUI AND FANLING RAILWAY STATIONS, AND A TOUR OF THE DISTRICT BY A BRIGHTLY DECORATED DOUBLE-DECKER BUS.

THE BUS WILL STOP AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS WHERE CAMPAIGN STAFF WILL CONVEY THE COURTESY MESSAGE AND DISTRIBUTE PUBLICITY MATERIALS TO PASSERS-BY.

BOOKMARKS AND BALLOONS CARRYING THE MESSAGE WILL ALSO BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE PUBLIC AT THE TWO RAILWAY STATIONS.

THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICER, MR MATTHEW CHEUNG, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING AND PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY OF THE POSTER EXHIBITION WHICH WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FROM 3 PM TO 8 PM.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE COURTESY CAMPAIGN POSTER EXHIBITION ON THURSDAY (FEBRUARY 25) AT 3 PM AT THE SHEUNG SHUI RAILWAY STATION.

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TAI PO ELDERLY TREATED TO 'YAN YAT' PARTY

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ABOUT 1,350 ELDERLY PEOPLE IN TAI PO ENJOYED A HAPPY "YAN YAT" (EVERYONE'S BIRTHDAY) PARTY AT TWO RESTAURANTS IN TAI PO MARKET THIS (TUESDAY) AFTERNOON.

THE PARTY WAS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE TAI PO RURAL COMMITTEE, TAI PO TSAT YEUK RURAL COMMITTEE, TAI PO SOCIETIES FRATERNAL ASSOCIATION AND THE TAI PO MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION.

IT WAS SPONSORED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD AS PART OF THE DISTRICT'S LUNAR NEW YEAR PROGRAMME.

THE PARTICIPANTS WERE AGED 73 OR OVER AND COMPRISED ABOUT 250 MEN AND ABOUT 1,100 WOMEN.

THE OLDEST PERSON ATTENDING WAS 99 AND RECEIVED A GOLD MEDAL FROM THE TAI PO DISTRICT OFFICER, MR JOHN BURRETT. THE NEXT FOUR OLDEST PEOPLE ALSO RECEIVED GOLD MEDALS.

ALL PARTICIPANTS RECEIVED LAISEE PACKETS FROM A TAI PO RURAL COMMITTEE MEMBER, MR TANG YEUK-FAN.

ABOUT 80 VOLUNTEERS FROM THE ORGANISING BODIES AND VOLUNTARY AGENCIES WERE PRESENT TO ASSIST THE ELDERLY AT THE FUNCTION.

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PUBLIC EARTH DUMP AT ALDRICH BAY OPENS

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THE PUBLIC EARTH DUMP AT ALDRICH BAY, SAI WAN HO, WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR EARTH DUMPING WITH EFFECT FROM TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY).

THE DUMP WILL BE OPEN ON WEEKDAYS ONLY, FROM 8 AM TO 6 PM.

A DUMPING PERMIT IS REQUIRED AND CAN BE OBTAINED BY APPLYING TO PORT WORKS DIVISION, CIVIL ENGINEERING OFFICE, CIVIL ENGINEERING SERVICES DEPARTMENT, ON THE EIGHTH FLOOR, EMPIRE CENTRE, 68 MODY ROAD, TSIM SHA TSUI EAST, KOWLOON.

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WATER CUTS IN TAI PO, SAI KUNG

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SALT WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN TAI PO WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 11 PM ON THURSDAY (FEBRUARY 25) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY TO FACILITATE WASTE DETECTION WORK.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT FU SHIN ESTATE, MING NGA COURT AND SUN HING GARDEN.

SOME PREMISES IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD MAY EXPERIENCE WEAK PRESSURE IN THE WATER SUPPLY.

ALSO, FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO SOME PREMISES IN SAI KUNG WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 9 AM TO 5 PM ON FRIDAY (FEBRUARY 26) TO FACILITATE WATER WORKS.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT PREMISES BOUNDED BY NGAN YAN ROAD, A KUNG WAN, AP TSAI WAN AND TAI AU MUN.

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NEW ROAD TO OPEN IN TSUEN WAN

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A NEW ROAD IN TSUEN WAN WILL BE OPENED TO TRAFFIC FROM 10 AM ON FRIDAY (FEBRUARY 26).

IT IS THE NEW SHING MUN ROAD BETWEEN SHING MUN ROAD AND WO YI HOP ROAD. BUSES AND PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ENTER THIS NEW ROAD AT ANY TIME OF THE DAY.

IN ADDITION, ALL LEARNER DRIVERS WILL BE BANNED FROM ENTERING THE SAME ROAD SECTION ON SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

ALSO FROM 10 AM ON FRIDAY, THE LEUNG KING ESTATE BUS TERMINUS IN TUEN MUN AREA 1 WILL BE MADE A 24-HOUR PROHIBITED ZONE BANNING THE ENTRY OF ALL VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES.

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