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YOUTHS URGED NOT TO TAKE CANNABIS

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YOUNGSTERS ARE WARNED THAT CANNABIS SMOKING IS DANGEROUS AND SHOULD NOT BE REGARDED AS FASHIONABLE.

THIS WAS STATED BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS (ACAN), DR GERALD CHOA, TODAY (SUNDAY) WHEN OFFICIATING AT THE "HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL ANTI-DRUG DAY" COMMEMORATIVE CEREMONY.

DR CHOA SAID THERE WAS AN INCREASING TREND IN THE NUMBER OF YOUNG PEOPLE REPORTED ABUSING PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES, AND CANNABIS IN PARTICULAR, DURING THE PAST FEW YEARS.

"A TOTAL OF 134 PERSONS WERE REPORTED ABUSING CANNABIS IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF THIS YEAR, COMPARED WITH 74 AND 163 FOR THE WHOLE OF 1987 AND 1988 RESPECTIVELY.

"A TOTAL OF 337 KILOGRAMS OF CANNABIS WAS SEIZED IN THE FIRST THREE MONTHS OF THIS YEAR, THE HIGHEST SINCE 1971," DR CHOA ADDED.

ON THE PERNICIOUS EFFECTS OF ABUSING CANNABIS, DR CHOA NOTED THAT EVEN OCCASIONAL USE COULD LEAD PEOPLE INTO DANGER BECAUSE IT COULD INDUCE DISTORTION OF TIME AND SPACE AND POOR JUDGEMENT AND CONCENTRATION.

• "IT TENDS TO MAKE REGULAR USERS APATHETIC AND DISINTERESTED IN WORTHWHILE ACTIVITIES REQUIRING HARD WORK AND CONCENTRATION.

"AND, CONTINUOUS ABUSE MAY LEAD TO BRONCHITIS AND IMPAIR LUNG FUNCTION, THUS RESULTING IN CHRONIC COUGH, SPUTUM PRODUCTION, WHEEZE AND ACUTE BRONCHITIC EPISODE," HE ADDED.

WHILE NOTING THERE WAS AS YET NO DIRECT EVIDENCE THAT CANNABIS SMOKING COULD PLAY A CAUSAL ROLE IN LUNG CANCER, DR CHOA POINTED OUT ONE KNOWN CANCER-PRODUCING CHEMICAL, BENZOPYRENE, HAD BEEN REPORTED TO BE 70 PER CENT MORE ABUNDANT IN MARIJUANA SMOKE THAN IN TOBACCO SMOKE.

"FOLLOWING EXPOSURE TO MARIJUANA SMOKE, THE LUNG'S DEFENCE SYSTEMS AGAINST BACTERIAL INVASION HAVE BEEN SHOWN TO BE IMPAIRED.

"HEAVY MARIJUANA USE MAY ALSO IMPAIR BOTH MALE AND FEMALE ABUSERS' REPRODUCTIVE FUNCTIONING AND THE USE OF MARIJUANA DURING PREGNANCY IS STRONGLY DISCOURAGED," DR CHOA SAID.

THERE ARE ABOUT 41,000 ACTIVE DRUG ABUSERS RECORDED IN THE GOVERNMENT'S COMPUTERISED CENTRAL REGISTRY OF DRUG ABUSE. AMONG THEM, 95 PER CENT ARE HEROIN ADDICTS AND THE REMAINING FIVE PER CENT TAKE MAINLY OPIUM, MANDRAX OR CANNABIS.

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"THIS WELL REFLECTS THAT HEROIN ADDICTION IS STILL OUR MAIN DRUG PROBLEM," DR CHOA REMARKED.

MEANWHILE, DR CHOA SAID RECENT YEARS ALSO SAW NOTICEABLE SUCCESSES IN ANTI-DRUG WORK.

THE CONTINUATION OF THE DOWNWARD TREND, WHICH BEGAN IN 1984, IN THE NUMBER OF PERSONS NEWLY REPORTED TO THE REGISTRY AND THE NEUTRALISING OF SOME 10 MAJOR DRUG TRAFFICKING SYNDICATES LAST YEAR AS A RESULT OF THE ENHANCED LAW ENFORCING EFFORTS AND CO-OPERATION, BOTH LOCAL AND OVERSEAS, ARE GOOD INSTANCES OF THIS SUCCESS.

DESPITE THE STRINGENT CONTROL AGAINST DRUG TRAFFICKERS WHICH CARRIES THE MAXIMUM PUNISHMENT OF LIFE IMPRISONMENT AND A FINE OF \$5 MILLION FOR ILLEGAL TRAFFICKING IN DRUGS, DR CHOA SAID THAT IT HAD BEEN NECESSARY TO INTRODUCE A BILL, AIMING AT CONFISCATING THE PROCEEDS OF DRUG TRAFFICKING AND COUNTERING DRUG MONEY LAUNDERING, INTO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

"IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE BILL WITH SOME AMENDMENTS WILL BE PASSED INTO LAW EARLY NEXT MONTH, POSING A HEAVY STRIKE AGAINST DRUG TRAFFICKERS," DR CHOA SAID.

THE COMMEMORATIVE CEREMONY TOGETHER WITH A LARGE-SCALE ANTI-DRUG EXHIBITION WAS HELD AT THE NEW WORLD CENTRE PLAZA IN TSIM SHA TSUI.

THE FUNCTION WAS ORGANISED BY ACAN IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE POLICE AND THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DEPARTMENT IN SUPPORT OF THE UNITED NATIONS INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST DRUG ABUSE AND ILLICIT TRAFFICKING ON JUNE 26.

SUPPLEMENTED BY A VIDEO SHOW, THE EXHIBITION FEATURES A WIDE RANGE OF PANEL DISPLAYS DEPICTING HONG KONG'S OVERALL ANTI-DRUG EFFORTS AND AN IN-PERSPECTIVE LOOK AT PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES ABUSE.

ALSO ON DISPLAY ARE EXHIBITS SHOWING SEIZED DRUGS AND A MOBILE X-RAY SCAN VEHICLE FROM THE CUSTOMS AS WELL AS DRUG EXHIBITS AND OPIUM-SMOKING PARAPHERNALIA SEIZED BY THE POLICE.

THERE IS ALSO A QUIZ AND SOUVENIRS WILL BE GIVEN TO THOSE WHO ANSWER CORRECTLY.

THE EXHIBITION WILL REMAIN OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FROM 10 AM TO 7 PM TOMORROW (MONDAY).

ALSO PRESENT AT TODAY'S CEREMONY WERE THE CHAIRMAN OF ACAN'S SUB-COMMITTEE ON PREVENTIVE EDUCATION AND PUBLICITY, MR PAO PING-WING; THE COMMISSIONER FOR NARCOTICS, MR GARETH MULLOY; AND MEMBERS OF ACAN AND ITS SUB-COMMITTEES.

THE CEREMONY WAS FOLLOWED BY A DRUG-SEARCH DEMONSTRATION BY THE CUSTOMS DOG UNIT AND PERFORMANCE BY THE CAPE COLLISON MARCHING BAND.

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COMPULSORY WEARING OF SEAT BELTS IN TAXIS, LIGHT BUSES

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DRIVERS AND FRONT SEAT PASSENGERS OF TAXIS AND LIGHT BUSES ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR SEAT BELTS FROM SATURDAY (JULY 1), THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT REMINDED THE PUBLIC TODAY (SUNDAY).

UNDER THE ROAD TRAFFIC (SAFETY EQUIPMENT) REGULATIONS, ALL TAXIS MANUFACTURED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 1981 AND ALL LIGHT BUSES MANUFACTURED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 1984 ARE ALREADY REQUIRED TO BE FITTED WITH FRONT SEAT BELTS.

AS FROM JULY 1, THE WEARING OF FRONT SEAT BELTS IN SUCH TAXIS AND LIGHT BUSES, INCLUDING PRIVATE AND PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES, WILL BECOME COMPULSORY.

THE REGULATIONS LIMIT THE VICARIOUS LIABILITY OF THE DRIVERS OF TAXIS AND LIGHT BUSES TO THEIR FRONT SEAT PASSENGERS UNDER THE AGE OF 15.

THE FIXED PENALTY FOR DRIVING WITHOUT FASTENING A SEAT BELT IS \$200. FOR DRIVING WHEN THE FRONT SEAT PASSENGER UNDER 15 YEARS OLD HAS NOT FASTENED A SEAT BELT, THE FIXED PENALTY IS \$140.

FRONT SEAT PASSENGERS WHO ARE AGED 15 OR OVER AND FAIL TO WEAR A SEAT BELT WILL BE CHARGED BY WAY OF SUMMONS.

THE ROAD TRAFFIC (PUBLIC SERVICE VEHICLES) REGULATIONS ALLOW THE DRIVER OF A TAXI OR PUBLIC LIGHT BUS TO REFUSE HIRE OR DRIVE ON IF THE FRONT SEAT PASSENGER FAILS TO WEAR THE SEAT BELT.

UNDER THE SAME REGULATIONS, OWNERS OF TAXIS AND PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES ARE REQUIRED TO DISPLAY IN THEIR VEHICLES A NOTICE IN ENGLISH AND CHINESE TO INFORM FRONT SEAT PASSENGERS THAT THEY MUST WEAR A SEAT BELT.

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NEW DATAPHONE LABOUR ENQUIRY SERVICE

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THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT WILL INTRODUCE A NEW GENERAL ENQUIRY TELEPHONE SERVICE FROM SATURDAY (JULY 1) TO PROVIDE TAPED INFORMATION FOR THE PUBLIC ON VARIOUS LABOUR TOPICS.

THE NEW DATAPHONE ENQUIRY SERVICE - 5-8155066 - WILL BE PROVIDED IN THE FORM OF PRE-RECORDED TAPES, EACH LASTING UP TO TWO-AND-A-HALF MINUTES, BOTH IN ENGLISH AND CHINESE.

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"THE TAPES WILL, INITIALLY, INCLUDE 26 TOPICS COVERING THE EMPLOYMENT ORDINANCE, PROTECTION OF WAGES ON INSOLVENCY ORDINANCE, EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION ORDINANCE AND MATTERS RELATING TO THE EMPLOYMENT OF FOREIGN DOMESTIC HELPERS," A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

"THE SYSTEM CAN PLAY FIVE DIFFERENT TAPES AT THE SAME TIME AND WILL BE MANNED BY TWO LABOUR INSPECTORS FROM 9 AM TO 5.30 PM FROM MONDAY TO FRIDAY AND BETWEEN 9 AM AND NOON ON SATURDAY.

THE NEW SERVICE IS INTENDED MAINLY TO SUPPLEMENT EXISTING ENQUIRY SERVICE OPERATED BY VARIOUS DIVISIONS AND OFFICES OF THE DEPARTMENT.

IT WILL NOT NORMALLY HANDLE ENQUIRIES WHICH REQUIRE DIRECT PERSONAL ANSWERS AND ENQUIRIES ON SPECIFIC CASES WILL BE REFERRED TO THE DIVISIONS CONCERNED FOR FURTHER ACTION.

FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO REPORT INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS OR TO LODGE COMPLAINTS AGAINST BREACHES OF VARIOUS LABOUR PROVISIONS DURING AND OUTSIDE OFFICE HOURS, THEY SHOULD MAKE USE OF THE DEPARTMENT'S FACTORY INSPECTORATE HOTLINE (5-8150678) OR THE WOMEN AND YOUNG PERSONS HOTLINE (5-8152200) WHERE APPROPRIATE.

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PARENTS SHOULD APPLY NOW FOR EDUCATION FEE ASSISTANCE

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PARENTS REQUIRING FEE ASSISTANCE FOR THEIR CHILDREN ATTENDING DAY NURSERIES OR KINDERGARTENS SHOULD SUBMIT THEIR APPLICATIONS NOW, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

EXISTING RECIPIENTS OF SUCH ASSISTANCE ARE ALSO REQUIRED TO APPLY AGAIN.

THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT AN ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATE, SHOWING THE APPROVED AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE AND VALID FOR ONE SCHOOL YEAR, WOULD BE ISSUED BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT OR THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT TO SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS WHO SHOULD THEN PRESENT TO THE DAY NURSERIES OR KINDERGARTENS WHICH THEIR CHILDREN ATTENDED.

ONCE THE CERTIFICATE WAS ISSUED, HE SAID, NO ADJUSTMENT IN THE AMOUNT WOULD BE MADE TO REFLECT AN INCREASE OR DECREASE IN THE RECIPIENTS' FAMILY DISPOSABLE INCOME WITHIN THE PAYMENT YEAR.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS MEASURE WAS TO STREAMLINE THE PROCEDURE, HE SAID.

THE FEE ASSISTANCE SCHEME FOR PRE-PRIMARY SERVICES AIMS TO HELP LOW-INCOME FAMILIES PAY THE FEES CHARGED IN DAY NURSERIES OR KINDERGARTENS.

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TO QUALIFY FOR FEE ASSISTANCE IN A DAY NURSERY, A CHILD MUST BE AGED AT LEAST TWO YEARS AND BE UNDER SIX YEARS. TO QUALIFY FOR FEE ASSISTANCE IN A KINDERGARTEN, THE CHILD MUST BE AT LEAST THREE YEARS OLD.

ALL APPLICATIONS FOR FEE ASSISTANCE MUST BE MADE BY THE PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN OF THE CHILD, WHO MUST ALSO BE PREPARED TO ATTEND A BRIEF INTERVIEW PERSONALLY, WITH THE REQUIRED DOCUMENTS.

COPIES OF A LEAFLET CONTAINING AN APPLICATION FORM ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT'S SOCIAL SECURITY FIELD UNITS AND FAMILY SERVICES CENTRES; ALL DAY NURSERIES; DISTRICT OFFICES OF THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION; AS WELL AS THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S HEADQUARTERS AND REGIONAL OFFICES AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESSES:

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS, RM 326, THIRD FLOOR, LEE GARDENS, HYSAN AVENUE, CAUSEWAY BAY, HONG KONG;

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT KOWLOON REGIONAL OFFICE, RM 612, SIXTH FLOOR, KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 405 NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON;

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT NEW TERRITORIES REGIONAL OFFICE, NINTH FLOOR, TO KWA WAN MARKET AND GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 165 MA TAU WEI ROAD, KOWLOON.

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STAGE II OF PAK KONG WATER TREATMENT WORKS  
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THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR STAGE II OF PAK KONG WATER TREATMENT WORKS WHICH IS PROGRAMMED TO SUPPLY WATER IN OCTOBER, 1991.

THE CONTRACT INCLUDES THE CONSTRUCTION OF 16 RAPID GRAVITY FILTERS, EIGHT CLARIFIERS, ONE COMPARTMENT OF CONTACT TANK/TREATED WATER RESERVOIR, SLUDGE TREATMENT FACILITIES AND OTHER ASSOCIATED SMALL BUILDINGS.

THE STAGE II PROJECT IS REQUIRED TO MEET THE INCREASING DEMAND FOR DRINKING WATER IN TSEUNG KWAN O NEW TOWN, EASTERN KOWLOON AND EASTERN HONG KONG ISLAND.

THE CAPACITY OF THE STAGE II WORKS WILL BE 527,000 CUBIC METRES PER DAY, BRINGING THE TOTAL ULTIMATE CAPACITY OF PAK KONG WATER TREATMENT WORKS TO 800,000 CUBIC METRES PER DAY.

WORK IS EXPECTED TO COMMENCE IN SEPTEMBER AND WILL TAKE ABOUT 24 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF TENDERS IS NOON ON JULY 28.

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MORE SERVICES TO MEET ESTATE RESIDENTS' NEEDS

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THE COMMITTEE ON NEIGHBOURHOOD LEVEL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS (NLCDP'S) HAS AGREED THAT NLCDP SERVICE SHOULD BE EXTENDED TO COVER MARKS III - VI PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES TO BE AFFECTED BY REDEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS.

THE RECOMMENDATION WAS MADE BY A WORKING GROUP SET UP BY THE COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE NEEDS OF RESIDENTS IN MARKS III - VI PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES AFFECTED BY REDEVELOPMENT AND TO EXAMINE WHETHER NLCDP SERVICE SHOULD BE EXTENDED TO THESE ESTATES.

THE STUDY FOUND THAT EIGHT OUT OF THE 14 ESTATES STUDIED HAD A HIGH PROPORTION OF VULNERABLE GROUPS AND REQUIRED EXTRA SERVICES ON TOP OF NORMAL PROVISION TO MEET THEIR SPECIAL NEEDS, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE COMMITTEE SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

"FURTHERMORE, THE TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF SERVICES DURING THE PROCESS OF REDEVELOPMENT WOULD RESULT IN THE REQUIREMENT OF TEMPORARY REPLACEMENT SERVICES.

"THE WORKING GROUP CONSIDERED THAT NLCDP, GIVEN ITS OBJECTIVE AND FLEXIBILITY, WOULD BE AN APPROPRIATE MEANS TO MEET SPECIAL NEEDS OF THE VULNERABLE GROUPS ON A TEMPORARY BASIS," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

EXPLAINING THE NATURE OF NLCDP'S, THE SPOKESMAN SAID SUCH PROJECTS WERE CARRIED OUT BY SUBVENTED AGENCIES IN PRIORITY AREAS IDENTIFIED BY THE COMMITTEE WHERE THE PROVISION OF SOCIAL FACILITIES AND WELFARE SERVICES WAS NON-EXISTENT OR INADEQUATE.

SUCH AREAS INCLUDE TEMPORARY HOUSING AREAS, SQUATTER AREAS, COTTAGE AREAS, MARKS I AND II PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES AND BOAT SQUATTER AREAS - ALL OF THEM ARE COMMUNITIES OF A TRANSIENT NATURE.

TO IMPLEMENT THE EXTENSION OF SERVICES, THE COMMITTEE HAS INVITED NOMINATIONS FOR PRIORITY AREAS FOR NLCDP SERVICE IN MARKS III - VI PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES FROM THE HONG KONG COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE, THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT, THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT AND THE DISTRICT OFFICES.

"DISTRICT BOARDS AND INTERESTED PARTIES ARE ALSO INVITED TO GIVE THEIR VIEWS ON WHETHER THERE IS A NEED FOR NLCDP SERVICE IN THESE PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES IN THEIR DISTRICTS THROUGH THEIR RESPECTIVE DISTRICT OFFICES BEFORE JULY 20," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE COMMITTEE WILL TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THESE COMMENTS WHEN SELECTING NEW PROJECT AREAS, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

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EASTERN DB SUBSIDIES FOR FESTIVE ACTIVITIES

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LOCAL ORGANISATIONS, OWNERS' CORPORATIONS AND MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES IN EASTERN DISTRICT PLANNING TO ORGANISE FESTIVE ACTIVITIES TO CELEBRATE THE MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL ARE INVITED TO APPLY FOR SUBSIDIES FROM THE DISTRICT BOARD.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD SAID TODAY (SUNDAY) A WORKING GROUP FORMED UNDER THE BOARD'S COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE WOULD MEET ON JULY 24 TO VET APPLICATIONS.

"ORGANISATIONS MAY ALSO APPLY FOR FUNDS TO ORGANISE OTHER TYPES OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROJECTS SUCH AS SEMINARS, RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AND THE ELDERLY, TRAINING COURSES FOR VOLUNTEERS AND ACTIVITIES FOR THE DISABLED," HE SAID.

HE ADDED THAT THE PROJECTS SHOULD AIM AT PROMOTING THE WELL-BEING OF PEOPLE LIVING OR WORKING IN THE DISTRICT AND AT CULTIVATING A SENSE OF DISTRICT IDENTITY.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD SECRETARIAT AT THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, FIRST FLOOR, 880-886 KING'S ROAD.

COMPLETED FORMS SHOULD REACH THE SECRETARIAT BY JULY 11 TO FACILITATE THE PROCESSING OF APPLICATIONS. ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON TEL. 5-624453.

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DB COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS WHITE PAPER ON POLLUTION

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THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD'S HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE COMMITTEE WILL DISCUSS THE WHITE PAPER ON POLLUTION AT ITS MEETING ON TUESDAY (JUNE 27).

THE COMMITTEE WILL ALSO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR \$10,000 FOR FUNDING AN OUTING BY SOME 500 RESIDENTS TO THE MA ON SHAN COUNTRY PARK ON JULY 2 IN SUPPORT OF THE WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE REPORTS BY THE WORKING GROUPS, AN INFORMATION PAPER ON THE DESIGN AWARD FOR THE MOST ACCESSIBLE BUILDINGS FOR THE DISABLED, AND PROGRESS REGARDING DISTRICT BOARD-SPONSORED ACTIVITIES.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD'S HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE COMMITTEE MEETING TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY (JUNE 27) ON THE SIXTH FLOOR, KCR HOUSE, SHA TIN STATION. THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM.

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SOUTHERN BUS ROUTES PROGRAMME ON AGENDA

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MEMBERS OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE WILL BE BRIEFED ON THE SETTLED BUS ROUTES DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME FOR THE DISTRICT IN 1989-90 AT A MEETING TOMORROW (MONDAY).

A SENIOR TRANSPORT OFFICIAL WILL EXPLAIN THE PROGRAMME AND ANSWER MEMBERS' QUESTIONS.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO DISCUSS THE DETAILS OF THIS YEAR'S SOUTHERN DISTRICT ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN WHICH WILL BE TARGETTED AT INEXPERIENCED DRIVERS AND ADULT PEDESTRIANS, ESPECIALLY ELDERLY PEOPLE.

IN ADDITION, THEY WILL DISCUSS A NUMBER OF LOCAL TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT MATTERS, INCLUDING A PROPOSAL BY A GROUP OF RESIDENTS TO RELOCATE A BUS STOP IN REPULSE BAY ROAD AND THE MAJOR ISSUES RAISED BY AREA COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES AT A RECENT SEMINAR.

TWO MEMBERS WILL ASK ABOUT THE RELOCATION OF A TAXI STAND IN NAM NING STREET AND ILLEGAL PARKING IN SHEK PAI WAN ESTATE AND ABERDEEN CENTRE.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE TO BE HELD TOMORROW (MONDAY) AT THE DB 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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DB COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS FUNDING GUIDELINE

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THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD'S FINANCE AND GENERAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE WILL DISCUSS AN ADDITIONAL GUIDELINE ON THE USE OF DISTRICT BOARD FUNDS FOR COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROJECTS AT ITS MEETING ON TUESDAY (JUNE 27).

THE ADDITIONAL GUIDELINE INVOLVES THE PURCHASE OF PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE BY LOCAL ORGANISATIONS WHEN HOLDING COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT ACTIVITIES.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO DISCUSS THE DISTRICT BOARD'S OVERSEAS STUDY TOUR, PROTECTION OF THE USE OF THE DISTRICT BOARD LOGO AND VISITS BY THE DISTRICT BOARD'S CONCERN GROUP.

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OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE STATEMENTS OF EXPENDITURE AND COMMITMENTS OF THE COMMITTEE AND DISTRICT BOARD AS AT JUNE 14, 1989.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD'S FINANCE AND GENERAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE ON TUESDAY (JUNE 27) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT OFFICE, FOURTH FLOOR, SAN PO KONG GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, KING FUK STREET.

THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM.

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NEW ADDRESS FOR THREE CNTA OFFICES

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THE TRUST FUNDS GENERAL OFFICE, THE CHINESE TEMPLES COMMITTEE AND THE CHINESE PERMANENT CEMETERIES OFFICE OF THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION WILL MOVE TO THEIR NEW ADDRESS ON SATURDAY (JULY 1).

THE THREE OFFICES WILL BE LOCATED ON THE 29TH FLOOR, SOUTHORN CENTRE, 130 HENNESSY ROAD, WAN CHAI.

THE NEW ENQUIRY TELEPHONE NUMBERS ARE:

TRUST FUNDS GENERAL OFFICE	5-8351524
CHINESE TEMPLES COMMITTEE	5-8351519
CHINESE PERMANENT CEMETERIES OFFICE	5-8341116

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SPEEDPOST SERVICE TO INDIA TO BE EXTENDED

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THE SPEEDPOST SERVICE TO INDIA WHICH IS AT PRESENT AVAILABLE TO 37 CITIES WILL BE EXTENDED TO 12 MORE CITIES FROM JULY 1, THE POST OFFICE ANNOUNCED TODAY (SUNDAY).

THE 12 CITIES ARE ALLAHABAD, ALWAYE, GOA, JAMMU, KANCHIPURAM, MEERUT, PONDICHERRY, RANCHI, SHIMLA, SURAT, TIRUPUR AND VARANASI.

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THE SPEEDPOST SERVICE IS A FAST AND RELIABLE MEANS FOR FORWARDING BUSINESS DOCUMENTS, SAMPLES AND MERCHANDISE OVERSEAS AND A FREE PICK-UP SERVICE IS AVAILABLE.

CUSTOMERS REQUIRING MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE SERVICE CAN CONTACT THE POSTAL SERVICES REPRESENTATIVES ON 5-8683868.

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WATER CUTS IN FANLING AND SOUTHWEST KOWLOON

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN FANLING AND SOUTHWEST KOWLOON WILL BE SUSPENDED TO FACILITATE NIGHT LEAKAGE TESTS.

IN FANLING, WATER SUPPLY WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 10 PM ON TUESDAY (JUNE 27) TO 6 AM THE NEXT DAY.

THE AREA AFFECTED IS BOUNDED BY LING SHAN TSUEN, MA SHI PO, FANLING HOSPITAL, FAN LENG LAU, FANLING POLICE CADET SCHOOL AND POLICE HEADQUARTERS FRONTIER DIVISION.

IN SOUTHWEST KOWLOON, SUPPLY WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 11 PM ON WEDNESDAY (JUNE 28) TO 6 AM THE NEXT DAY.

THE AFFECTED AREA IS BOUNDED BY YORK ROAD, WATERLOO ROAD, RUTLAND QUADRANT, ESSEX CRESCENT, CUMBERLAND ROAD, STAFFORD ROAD, LINCOLN ROAD, BOUNDARY STREET AND SURREY LANE, INCLUDING KCR MONG KOK STATION.

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