



DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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CROWN LANDS SALE
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MORE THAN 105,800 SQUARE METRES OF CROWN LAND WILL BE PUT UP FOR SALE DURING THE NEXT SEVEN MONTHS BY THE P.W.D.'S LANDS AND SURVEY DEPARTMENT.

THIS WILL COMPRISE 76,526 SQ. M. OF PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL LAND, 21,062 SQ. M. OF NON-INDUSTRIAL LAND, 6,156 SQ. M. OF INDUSTRIAL LAND AND 2,050 SQ. M. OF LAND FOR PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT AND MULTI-STOREY CARPARKS.

MR. IVOR STANTON, THE P.W.D.'S DIRECTOR OF LANDS AND SURVEY, SAID TODAY THREE OF THE LOTS WITH A TOTAL AREA OF ABOUT 7,440 SQ. M. WOULD BE OFFERED FOR SALE AT A PUBLIC AUCTION IN THE CITY HALL TOMORROW.

+THIS INCLUDES A SITE OF ABOUT 2,600 SQ. M. IN THE TSIM SHA TSUI EAST AREA FOR NON-INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INCLUDING SHOP, OFFICE, HOTEL OR RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS,+ HE SAID.

THE TSIM SHA TSUI EAST SITE IS THE FOURTH OF A NUMBER OF MAJOR DEVELOPMENT SITES IN THE AREA TO BE SOLD BY THE LANDS AND SURVEY DEPARTMENT.

OTHER LOTS TO BE SOLD AT TOMORROW'S AUCTION INCLUDE A 2,517 SQ. M. PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL LOT OFF CAPE ROAD IN CHUNG HOM KOK, AND AN INDUSTRIAL SITE OF ABOUT 2,323 SQ. M. AT AH KUNG NGAM ROAD IN SHAU KEI WAN.

MR. STANTON SAID THAT FOUR OTHER LOTS WOULD BE PUT UP FOR AUCTION ON MARCH 18, COMPRISING 12,837 SQ. M. OF PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL LAND AND 2,634 SQ. M. FOR INDUSTRIAL AND/OR GODOWN DEVELOPMENT.

BOTH OF THE PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL LOTS ARE LOCATED IN CHUNG HOM KOK -- ONE OF THEM OCCUPYING SLIGHTLY OVER 10,000 SQ. M. OFF CHUNG HOM KOK ROAD.

ONE OF THE INDUSTRIAL SITES IS LOCATED AT AH KUNG NGAM IN SHAU KEI WAN AND THE OTHER OFF SZE SHAN STREET IN SAM KA TSUEN, KOWLOON.

ANOTHER 29 SITES ARE INCLUDED IN THE LANDS AND SURVEY DEPARTMENT'S SALES FORECAST FOR THE SIX MONTHS BEGINNING APRIL 1.

THESE INCLUDE 61,172 SQ. M. FOR PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, 18,462 SQ. M. FOR NON-INDUSTRIAL USE, 2,050 SQ. M. FOR PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT AND MULTI-STOREY CARPARK DEVELOPMENT, AND 1,200 SQ. M. FOR INDUSTRIAL PURPOSES.

DATES OF SALE WILL BE ADVERTISED IN THE NEWSPAPERS AND IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE AT A LATER STAGE.

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OPENING OF MACHINERY GUARDING EXHIBITION
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THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT IS TO STAGE A LARGE SCALE EXHIBITION TO SHOW FACTORY PROPRIETORS AND WORKERS HOW TO GUARD AGAINST DANGERS ASSOCIATED WITH THE WORKING OF MACHINERY.

THE 10-DAY EXHIBITION AT THE SOUTHERN CONCOURSE OF THE KOWLOON RAIL TERMINUS, HUNG HOM, HIGHLIGHTS THE NEW FACTORIES AND INDUSTRIAL UNDERTAKINGS (GUARDING AND OPERATION OF MACHINERY) REGULATIONS WHICH WILL COME INTO FORCE ON APRIL 1.

IT WILL BE OPENED BY DR. THE HON. S.Y. CHUNG, UNOFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCILS, ON FRIDAY (MARCH 11).

THE EXHIBITION WILL FEATURE A WIDE RANGE OF MACHINE GUARDS AND SAFE OPERATING METHODS. THERE WILL BE WORKING MODELS, DEMONSTRATIONS, FILMS AND SLIDE SHOWS.

COMMENTING ON THE STAGING OF THE EXHIBITION, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR, MR. DAVID LIN, SAID THERE HAD BEEN A GROWING CONCERN WITHIN THE GOVERNMENT OVER THE INCREASINGLY HEAVY TOLL OF ACCIDENTS AT WORK IN HONG KONG.

HE SAID: +IN 1976, 12 PEOPLE WERE KILLED AND NEARLY 10,000 WERE INJURED BY POWER-DRIVEN MACHINERY ALONE.

+BECAUSE OF THE USE OF UNGUARDED OR INADEQUATELY GUARDED MACHINES WE LOSE ON AVERAGE THE LIFE OF ONE WORKER EVERY MONTH IN ADDITION TO 27 WORKERS BEING INJURED EVERY DAY.

+IN AN EFFORT TO REDUCE THESE APPALLING FIGURES, GOVERNMENT ENACTED THE FACTORIES AND INDUSTRIAL UNDERTAKINGS (GUARDING AND OPERATION OF MACHINERY) REGULATIONS LAST AUGUST TO SAFEGUARD PEOPLE WORKING AT AND OPERATING MACHINES OR PLANTS.

+I CANNOT OVER EMPHASISE THE DANGERS AND HAZARDS ASSOCIATED WITH THE WORKING WITH UNGUARDED OR INADEQUATELY GUARDED MACHINERY. THESE MACHINES CAN MAIM OR EVEN KILL,+ HE SAID.

THE EXHIBITION WILL BE OPEN FROM 10 A.M. TO 7 P.M. DAILY, EXCEPT ON THE FIRST DAY WHEN IT WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FROM 5 P.M. TO 7 P.M. ADMISSION IS FREE.

INVITATION LETTERS HAVE BEEN SENT TO EMPLOYERS ASSOCIATIONS, TRADE ASSOCIATIONS, WORKERS UNIONS AS WELL AS TECHNICAL INSTITUTES AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING SCHOOLS.

DURING THE EXHIBITION, OFFICERS OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT WILL BE ON HAND TO OFFER INFORMATION AND ADVICE ON THE VARIOUS ASPECTS OF MACHINERY GUARDING AND A SPECIALLY PRODUCED HANDBOOK ON THE GUARDING AND OPERATION OF MACHINERY WILL BE AVAILABLE FREE OF CHARGE.

SPECIAL GUIDED TOURS OF THE EXHIBITION CAN ALSO BE ARRANGED FOR WORKER GROUPS BY REQUEST, MADE TO THE DEPARTMENT'S INDUSTRIAL SAFETY TRAINING CENTRE (TEL. NO. 3-689458).

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MORE MOBILE EXHIBITIONS ON FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION IN N.T.

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THREE MORE MOBILE EXHIBITIONS ON FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION WILL BE STAGED IN THE NEW TERRITORIES THIS MONTH.

THESE FOLLOW THE SUCCESSFUL SERIES OF EXHIBITIONS HELD IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE NEW TERRITORIES IN JANUARY WHICH ATTRACTED MORE THAN 7,600 PEOPLE.

THE PURPOSE OF THESE EXHIBITIONS IS TO BRING HOME TO RESIDENTS OF THE NEW TERRITORIES THE CONCEPT AND SIGNIFICANCE OF FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION.

ITEMS ON DISPLAY WILL TOUCH ON, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE GENERATION GAP, FAMILY PLANNING, THE CHOICE OF CAREERS, WAYS TO HANDLE PROBLEM CHILDREN, AND HOW WORKING MOTHERS SHOULD LOOK AFTER THEIR CHILDREN.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY THAT THE EXHIBITIONS IN JANUARY AT LEI MUK SHUE AND YUEN LONG DREW THE KEENEST RESPONSE FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, WITH 4,150 AND 2,200 VISITORS RESPECTIVELY, WHILE THE EXHIBITIONS AT SHEK LEI, FAN LING AND SHEUNG SHUI WERE ATTENDED BY A TOTAL OF ABOUT 1,300 PEOPLE.

+TO CO-INCIDE WITH THESE EXHIBITIONS, THE DEPARTMENT'S FAMILY SERVICE DISTRICT OFFICE FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES ORGANISED THREE FAMILY OUTINGS FOR UNDERPRIVILEGED AND HANDICAPPED CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES LIVING IN THE NEW TERRITORIES TO THE OCEAN PARK UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE PARK,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THESE OUTINGS, AIMED AT FOSTERING BETTER RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PARENTS AND CHILDREN, BROUGHT HAPPY MEMORIES TO 225 UNDERPRIVILEGED OR HANDICAPPED CHILDREN WHO ARE UNDER THE CARE OF THE DEPARTMENT'S FAMILY SERVICE DISTRICT OFFICE FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, AND THEIR FAMILIES.

THIS MONTH, THE FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION EXHIBITIONS WILL BE HELD AT THE CASTLE PEAK SOCIAL SERVICE CENTRE IN TUEN MUN, AT THE LUTHERAN YOUTH CENTRE IN LEK YUEN ESTATE IN SHA TIN AND AT THE LIONS YOUTH CENTRE IN TAI PO.

+DURING THESE EXHIBITIONS, A SOCIAL WORKER WILL BE ON HAND TO ANSWER QUERIES IN CONNECTION WITH FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION AND PROBLEMS OF INDIVIDUALS OR THEIR FAMILIES,+ THE SPOKESMAN CONTINUED.

THE PROJECT IS A JOINT EFFORT OF 13 SCHOOLS AND WELFARE AGENCIES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES AND IS CO-ORDINATED BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT'S FAMILY SERVICE DISTRICT OFFICE FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES AND THE COMMUNITY AND YOUTH OFFICE.

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F.S.D. INSPECTS SOME 250,000 PREMISES LAST YEAR
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THE FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU OF THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT MADE NEARLY 250,000 INSPECTIONS OF ALL TYPES OF PREMISES THROUGHOUT HONG KONG IN 1976, ACCORDING TO STATISTICS RELEASED TODAY.

THE FIGURE (247,467) WAS 54 PER CENT UP OVER THE TOTAL FOR 1975.

COMPLAINTS FROM THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTED FOR ALMOST 60 PER CENT OF THE INSPECTIONS, WITH 120,313 RELATING TO MEANS OF ESCAPE AND 27,050 CONCERNING VARIOUS OTHER HAZARDS.

APART FROM INVESTIGATING THESE COMPLAINTS, STAFF OF THE BUREAU CARRIED OUT 12,950 REGULAR VISITS TO BUILDINGS TO ENSURE THAT THEIR EXITS WERE FREE FROM OBSTRUCTIONS.

DURING THE YEAR, MORE THAN 53,400 INSPECTIONS OF FACTORIES AND INDUSTRIAL PREMISES AND 7,530 INSPECTIONS OF VENTILATION SYSTEMS IN BUILDINGS AND INDUSTRY WERE UNDERTAKEN.

INSPECTIONS RELATED TO THE MANUFACTURE AND STORAGE OF DANGEROUS GOODS TOTALLED 7,287.

THERE WERE CLOSE TO 13,100 VISITS RELATED TO RESTAURANTS, NIGHT CLUBS, SCHOOLS, FIRE SERVICE INSTALLATIONS, CINEMAS, DANCE HALLS, TIMBER YARDS AND NEON SIGNS.

ALTOGETHER 174 FIRES WERE INVESTIGATED IN DEPTH BY FIRE OFFICERS.

OVER 1,940 INSPECTIONS WERE MADE ON VEHICLES USED FOR CONVEYING COMPRESSED GASES AND INFLAMMABLE LIQUIDS AND 1,920 INSPECTIONS WERE CARRIED OUT ON CHILD CARE CENTRES.

THE NUMBER OF PLANS RECEIVED AND PROCESSED IN RESPECT OF NEW BUILDING PROJECTS WAS 7,544.

OFFICERS OF THE BUREAU CONDUCTED 162 FIRE PREVENTION LECTURES ON THE RUDIMENTS OF FIRE FIGHTING FOR STUDENTS AS WELL AS STAFF OF PRIVATE ORGANISATIONS AND OTHER GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS.

DURING THE 12-MONTH PERIOD, 9,705 FIRE HAZARD ABATEMENT NOTICES WERE ISSUED AND 1,874 PROSECUTIONS WERE TAKEN OUT RESULTING IN FINES AMOUNTING TO OVER \$1.05 MILLION BEING IMPOSED IN RESPECT OF VARIOUS CONTRAVENTIONS OF FIRE REGULATIONS.

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TEMPORARY INTERRUPTION OF TRAIN SERVICES

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RAIL SERVICES BETWEEN SHA TIN AND KOWLOON WILL BE SUSPENDED FOR THE WHOLE DAY ON MARCH 13 (SUNDAY) TO FACILITATE THE INSTALLATION OF A SECOND RAILWAY TRACK NORTH OF BEACON HILL TUNNEL, THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY ANNOUNCED TODAY.

HOWEVER, SERVICES NORTH OF SHA TIN WILL OPERATE NORMALLY ACCORDING TO SCHEDULE.

MR. REGINALD GREGORY, GENERAL-MANAGER OF KCR, SAID TODAY THE SUSPENSION WAS NECESSARY AS A BRIDGE WHICH CARRIED THE RAILWAY HAD TO BE MOVED FROM ITS EXISTING POSITION TO A LOCATION ALONGSIDE, ONTO THE ALIGNMENT OF THE NEW TRACK.

MEANWHILE, THE KOWLOON MOTOR BUS COMPANY WILL STRENGTHEN ITS BUS SERVICES TO AND FROM SHA TIN ON THAT DAY TO MEET THE DEMAND OF PASSENGERS.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN WONG CHUK HANG

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A NUMBER OF TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE INTRODUCED IN WONG CHUK HANG FROM 10 A.M. ON WEDNESDAY (MARCH 9).

ON THAT DAY, YIP FAT STREET WILL BE ROUTED ONE-WAY EASTBOUND AND THE SECTION OF HEUNG YIP ROAD BETWEEN ITS JUNCTIONS WITH YIP FAT STREET WILL BE ROUTED ONE-WAY WESTBOUND.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE UNNAMED ROAD BETWEEN YIP FAT STREET AND HEUNG YIP ROAD WILL BE ROUTED ONE-WAY SOUTHBOUND AND THE UNNAMED ROAD ADJOINING THE EASTERN SECTION OF YIP FAT STREET WILL BE ROUTED ONE-WAY EASTBOUND.

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE PUT UP TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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MEET THE MEDIA
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NOTE TO EDITORS:

A +MEET THE MEDIA+ SESSION WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY (MARCH 10), STARTING AT 3 P.M.

THE DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION, MR. MARTIN ROWLANDS, WILL ATTEND THE MEETING WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE G.I.S. THEATRE ON THE FIFTH FLOOR OF BEACONSFIELD HOUSE.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE MEETING. TELEVISION CREWS ARE ADVISED TO ARRIVE EARLY SO THAT THEY HAVE AMPLE TIME TO SET UP THEIR EQUIPMENT.

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SWEETMAN TO OPEN DAY NURSERY
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NOTE TO EDITORS:

THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR. JIMMY SWEETMAN, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE HING WAH DAY NURSERY ON WEDNESDAY (MARCH 9) AT 3.30 P.M.

THE NURSERY, OPERATED BY THE TUNG WAH GROUP OF HOSPITALS, IS SITUATED ON THE ROOF TOP OF ON HING HOUSE OF THE HING WAH ESTATE, CHAI WAN.

YOU ARE WELCOME TO SEND A REPORTER/PHOTOGRAPHER TO COVER THE CEREMONY.

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WATER CUT
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WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN CENTRAL DISTRICT ON HONG KONG ISLAND WILL BE INTERRUPTED FOR FIVE HOURS FROM 1 A.M. ON WEDNESDAY (MARCH 9) TO ENABLE THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT TO CARRY OUT A NIGHT LEAKAGE TEST.

THE PREMISES TO BE AFFECTED ARE NOS. 20-62 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, NOS. 1-21D AND 2-44 STANLEY STREET, NOS. 1-49 AND 2-76 WELLINGTON STREET, AND NOS. 1-31B AND 2-16 WYNDHAM STREET.

PREMISES ON D'AGUILAR STREET, WO ON LANE, LAN KWAI FONG, ON HING STREET AND ON LAN STREET WILL ALSO BE AFFECTED.

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