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1989 SHIPPING, PORT AND CARGO STATISTICS RELEASED
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IN 1989, 17,763 SHIPS WITH A TOTAL CAPACITY OF 107.6 MILLION NET REGISTERED TONS (NRT) ARRIVED IN HONG KONG, REPRESENTING AN INCREASE OF 1 352 (OR 8 PER CENT) IN NUMBER AND OF 9.6 MILLION NRT (OR 10 PER CENT) IN CAPACITY OVER 1988.

THIS IS RELEASED IN THE "HONG KONG SHIPPING STATISTICS REPORT 1989" PUBLISHED TODAY (FRIDAY) BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

IN 1989, THE TOTAL TONNAGE OF CARGO DISCHARGED IN HONG KONG FROM INCOMING SHIPS (ESTIMATED FROM A SAMPLE OF MANIFEST CONSIGNMENTS) INCREASED BY 3 PER CENT OVER 1988.

WHEN ANALYSED BY SHIP TYPE, MAJOR INCREASES WERE RECORDED IN THE NUMBER OF OIL TANKERS (+808), CONTAINER VESSELS (+627) AND CONVENTIONAL CARGO VESSELS (+133), WHILE MAJOR DECREASES WERE RECORDED IN THE NUMBER OF SEMI-CONTAINER VESSELS (-117) AND ROLL-ON/ROLL-OFF VESSELS (-97).

WHEN ANALYSED BY FLAG OF VESSELS, MAJOR INCREASES WERE RECORDED IN THE NUMBER OF SHIPS REGISTERED IN CHINA (+853), PANAMA (+286), NORWAY (+56) AND WEST GERMANY (+55), WHILE MAJOR DECREASES WERE RECORDED IN THOSE REGISTERED IN JAPAN (-124), THE PHILIPPINES (-44) AND TAIWAN (-40).

THE NUMBER OF INCOMING SHIPS WITH A CAPACITY OF LESS THAN 10,000 DEADWEIGHT TONS INCREASED BY 888 WHILST THE NUMBER OF THOSE WITH A LARGER CAPACITY INCREASED BY 464.

IN 1989, THERE WERE 17,785 OUTGOING SHIPS WITH A TOTAL CAPACITY OF 107.9 MILLION NRT, REPRESENTING AN INCREASE OF 1,420 (OR 9 PER CENT) IN NUMBER AND OF 10.1 MILLION NRT (OR 10 PER CENT) IN CAPACITY OVER 1988.

THE TOTAL TONNAGE OF CARGO LOADED ONTO OUTGOING SHIPS (ESTIMATED FROM A SAMPLE OF MANIFEST CONSIGNMENTS) ROSE BY 11 PER CENT. ABOUT 68 PER CENT OF THE DEPARTING SHIPS STAYED IN HONG KONG FOR LESS THAN TWO DAYS.

OF THE CARGO DISCHARGED FROM INCOMING SHIPS, 86 PER CENT IN TERMS OF TONNAGE WAS IMPORTS AND 14 PER CENT WAS TRANSHIPMENT CARGO. OF THE CARGO LOADED ONTO OUTGOING SHIPS, 61 PER CENT WAS EXPORTS (INCLUDING DOMESTIC EXPORTS AND RE-EXPORTS) AND 39 PER CENT WAS TRANSHIPMENT CARGO.

THE MAJOR COUNTRIES OF LOADING FOR SEABORNE IMPORTS IN TONNAGE TERMS WERE SINGAPORE (17 PER CENT), JAPAN (14 PER CENT), SOUTH AFRICA (13 PER CENT), CHINA (11 PER CENT), AUSTRALIA (9 PER CENT), TAIWAN (8 PER CENT) AND THE USA (5 PER CENT), WHILE THE MAJOR COUNTRIES OF DISCHARGE FOR SEABORNE EXPORTS WERE THE USA (21 PER CENT), CHINA (17 PER CENT), TAIWAN (12 PER CENT), JAPAN (5 PER CENT) AND SINGAPORE (5 PER CENT).

TRANSHIPMENT CARGO WAS MAINLY LOADED IN CHINA (32 PER CENT) AND THE USA (18 PER CENT), AND WAS MAINLY DISCHARGED IN CHINA (19 PER CENT) AND THE USA (13 PER CENT).

COMPARING 1989 WITH 1988, MAJOR INCREASES IN TONNAGE WERE NOTED FOR SEABORNE IMPORTS FROM ECUADOR (+38 PER CENT), AUSTRALIA (+21 PER CENT), JAPAN (+19 PER CENT) AND SINGAPORE (+19 PER CENT), WHILE MAJOR DECREASES IN TONNAGE WERE NOTED FOR SEABORNE IMPORTS FROM BRAZIL (-26 PER CENT), WEST GERMANY (-15 PER CENT) AND TAIWAN (-10 PER CENT). AS A WHOLE, THE TOTAL TONNAGE OF SEABORNE IMPORTS ROSE BY 5 PER CENT.

AMONG THE PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES, MAJOR INCREASES IN CARGO TONNAGE WERE RECORDED FOR SEABORNE IMPORTS OF TEXTILE FIBRES (+32 PER CENT), PETROLEUM, PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AND RELATED MATERIALS (+26 PER CENT) AND CEREALS AND CEREAL PREPARATIONS (+18 PER CENT), WHILE MAJOR DECREASES WERE RECORDED FOR SEABORNE IMPORTS OF IRON AND STEEL (-21 PER CENT) AND LOGS AND TIMBER (-20 PER CENT).

COMPARING 1989 WITH 1988, THE TOTAL TONNAGE OF SEABORNE EXPORTS (DOMESTIC EXPORTS PLUS RE-EXPORTS) INCREASED BY 15 PER CENT. MAJOR INCREASES IN TONNAGE WERE RECORDED FOR SEABORNE EXPORTS TO CHINA (+50 PER CENT), THE PHILIPPINES (+32 PER CENT), THE USA (+25 PER CENT), AUSTRALIA (+19 PER CENT) AND THE NETHERLANDS (+18 PER CENT), WHILE A MAJOR DECREASE WAS RECORDED FOR SEABORNE EXPORTS TO SOUTH KOREA (-8 PER CENT).

AMONG THE PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES, MAJOR INCREASES IN TONNAGE WERE NOTED FOR SEABORNE EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM, PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AND RELATED MATERIALS (+83 PER CENT), FOOTWEAR (+39 PER CENT), CLAY AND KAOLIN (+27 PER CENT), COTTON GARMENTS (+25 PER CENT) AND GARMENTS OF MIXED MATERIALS OR OTHER MATERIALS, NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED (+24 PER CENT), WHILE A MAJOR DECREASE WAS RECORDED FOR SEABORNE EXPORTS OF PULP AND WASTE PAPER (-7 PER CENT).

OF THE CARGO DISCHARGED FROM INCOMING SHIPS, INCLUDING SEABORNE IMPORTS AND INWARD TRANSHIPMENT, 33 PER CENT IN TERMS OF TONNAGE WAS CONTAINERISED CARGO. OF THOSE LOADED ONTO OUTGOING SHIPS, INCLUDING SEABORNE EXPORTS AND OUTWARD TRANSHIPMENT, 77 PER CENT WAS CONTAINERISED CARGO.

IN TERMS OF TONNAGE, CONTAINERISED CARGO ACCOUNTED FOR 27 PER CENT OF SEABORNE IMPORTS. IN PARTICULAR, CONTAINERISED CARGO ACCOUNTED FOR A LARGE PROPORTION OF SEABORNE IMPORTS FROM ITALY (99 PER CENT), FRANCE (98 PER CENT), THE USA (82 PER CENT), THE UNITED KINGDOM (81 PER CENT) AND THE NETHERLANDS (80 PER CENT).

THE TOTAL TONNAGE OF CONTAINERISED SEABORNE IMPORTS IN 1989 ROSE BY 6 PER CENT OVER 1988.

AMONG THE PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES, CONTAINERISED CARGO ACCOUNTED FOR, IN TONNAGE TERMS, 95 PER CENT OF SEABORNE IMPORTS OF ARTIFICIAL RESINS AND PLASTIC MATERIALS, 93 PER CENT OF OTHER ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC APPLIANCES AND PARTS, 90 PER CENT OF PAPER, PAPERBOARD AND ARTICLES OF PAPER PULP, OF PAPER OR OF PAPERBOARD AND 84 PER CENT OF MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURES OF METAL AND NON-METALLIC MINERALS, NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED.

FOR SEABORNE EXPORTS, CONTAINERISED CARGO ACCOUNTED FOR 69 PER CENT IN TERMS OF TONNAGE. IN PARTICULAR, CONTAINERISED CARGO ACCOUNTED FOR ALL SEABORNE EXPORTS TO CANADA, AND ALMOST ALL TO WEST GERMANY, THE NETHERLANDS, THE UNITED KINGDOM, THE USA, AUSTRALIA AND FRANCE. THE TOTAL TONNAGE OF CONTAINERISED SEABORNE EXPORTS IN 1989 ROSE BY 12 PER CENT OVER 1988.

SEABORNE EXPORTS OF SOME PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES WERE NEARLY ALL CONTAINERISED. THESE INCLUDED TOYS; COTTON GARMENTS; GARMENTS OF MIXED MATERIALS OR OTHER MATERIALS, NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED; FOOTWEAR; COTTON TEXTILES AND MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES, NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED.

SHIPPING STATISTICS ARE COMPILED PRIMARILY FROM GENERAL DECLARATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE MARINE DEPARTMENT BY SHIPMASTERS OR AUTHORISED SHIPPING AGENTS AND COVER ALL OCEAN-GOING VESSELS ENTERING AND LEAVING HONG KONG, EXCLUDING YACHTS AND PLEASURE CRAFT.

PORT AND CARGO STATISTICS ARE COMPILED FROM OCEAN CARGO MANIFESTS SUPPLIED BY SHIPPING COMPANIES OR AGENTS TO THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

BECAUSE OF RESOURCE CONSTRAINTS, A SAMPLE OF ALL CONSIGNMENTS LISTED IN THE MANIFESTS IS USED FOR COMPILING PORT AND CARGO STATISTICS. THE SAMPLING METHOD IS DESCRIBED IN THE EXPLANATORY NOTES OF THE REPORT.

MORE DETAILS ON SHIPPING, PORT AND CARGO STATISTICS FOR 1989 ARE CONTAINED IN THE "HONG KONG SHIPPING STATISTICS REPORT 1989", WHICH IS NOW ON SALE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GROUND FLOOR, GPO BUILDING, CONNAUGHT CENTRE, CENTRAL AT \$37.50 PER COPY.

ENQUIRIES ON STATISTICS PROVIDED IN THE REPORT MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE TRADE SURVEYS AND SHIPPING STATISTICS SECTION OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT ON TEL. 823 4887.

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SUMMARY RESULTS OF 1988 SURVEY OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

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THE SUMMARY STATISTICS COMPILED FROM THE SURVEY OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION COVERING THE REFERENCE YEAR 1988 WAS RELEASED BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT TODAY (FRIDAY).

FIELD WORK FOR THE SURVEY WAS UNDERTAKEN BETWEEN MAY 1989 AND EARLY 1990.

THE SURVEY RESULTS INDICATED THAT 51,671 MANUFACTURING ESTABLISHMENTS HAD OPERATED FOR THE WHOLE OR PART OF 1988.

/THE OUTPUT

THE OUTPUT OF THE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY SHOWED SIGNIFICANT GROWTH IN 1988. THE VALUE OF GROSS OUTPUT DURING 1988 WAS ESTIMATED TO BE \$315,940 MILLION, REPRESENTING AN INCREASE OF 11.5 PER CENT IN MONEY TERMS COMPARED WITH 1987.

THE EXPENSES OF MANUFACTURING ESTABLISHMENTS IN 1988 INCLUDED \$213,067 MILLION ON THE PURCHASES OF MATERIALS, SUPPLIES AND INDUSTRIAL WORK/SERVICES; \$49,062 MILLION ON COMPENSATION OF EMPLOYEES; AND \$27,115 MILLION ON OTHER EXPENSES.

THE TOTAL VALUE ADDED OF THE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY STOOD AT \$83,182 MILLION IN 1988, REPRESENTING AN INCREASE OF 9.8 PER CENT IN MONEY TERMS OVER 1987.

VALUE ADDED IS A MEASURE OF THE NET OUTPUT OF THE INDUSTRY AND REFLECTS THE INDUSTRY'S CONTRIBUTION TO HONG KONG'S GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT.

RANKED ACCORDING TO THE VALUE ADDED, THE TOP FIVE BROAD INDUSTRY GROUPS WITHIN THE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY IN HONG KONG WERE : WEARING APPAREL (\$17,858 MILLION OR 21 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL VALUE ADDED OF THE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY) ; BASIC METALS, FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS, MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT (\$15,408 MILLION OR 19 PER CENT) ; TEXTILES (\$12,925 MILLION OR 16 PER CENT) ; ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS (\$12,670 MILLION OR 15 PER CENT) ; AND PLASTIC PRODUCTS (\$6,619 MILLION OR 8 PER CENT).

AS REGARDS THE GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION OF MANUFACTURING ESTABLISHMENTS, THE MOST IMPORTANT AREAS WERE "TSUEN WAN, KWAI CHUNG, TSING YI" AND "NGAU TAU KOK, KWUN TONG, LEI YUE MUN".

ESTABLISHMENTS IN THESE LOCATIONS TOGETHER ACCOUNTED FOR 47 PER CENT AND 44 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY OF THE GROSS OUTPUT AND VALUE ADDED OF THE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY.

WHEN ANALYSED BY THE EMPLOYMENT SIZES OF MANUFACTURING ESTABLISHMENTS, THE STATISTICS SHOWED THAT ABOUT 69 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF MANUFACTURING ESTABLISHMENTS HAD ENGAGED LESS THAN 10 PERSONS.

HOWEVER, THESE SMALL ESTABLISHMENTS ONLY ACCOUNTED FOR 9 PER CENT, 11 PER CENT AND 15 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY OF THE GROSS OUTPUT, VALUE ADDED AND TOTAL WORKFORCE OF THE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY.

IN CONTRAST, ONLY ABOUT 3 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF MANUFACTURING ESTABLISHMENTS HAD ENGAGED 100 OR MORE PERSONS, BUT THEY ACCOUNTED FOR ABOUT 49 PER CENT OF THE GROSS OUTPUT, 49 PER CENT OF VALUE ADDED AND 41 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL WORKFORCE OF THE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY.

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THE 1988 SURVEY OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION WAS ONE IN A SERIES OF ANNUAL ECONOMIC SURVEYS CONDUCTED BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT FOR ASCERTAINING THE STRUCTURE AND OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS OF THE RELEVANT ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES, AND FOR ESTIMATING THE CONTRIBUTION OF THESE ACTIVITIES TO THE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT OF HONG KONG.

APART FROM THE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY, THE SURVEY ALSO COVERED ESTABLISHMENTS ENGAGED IN MINING AND QUARRYING AND IN THE SUPPLY OF ELECTRICITY, GAS AND WATER.

SUMMARY STATISTICS FOR THE 1988 SURVEY OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE JUNE 1990 ISSUE OF THE HONG KONG MONTHLY DIGEST OF STATISTICS PUBLISHED BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

MORE DETAILED RESULTS TOGETHER WITH THE DESCRIPTIONS OF THE BACKGROUND AND METHODOLOGY OF THE SURVEY WILL BE GIVEN IN THE SURVEY REPORT ENTITLED "1988 SURVEY OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION", WHICH WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR SALE IN AUGUST AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GROUND FLOOR, GPO BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE, CENTRAL; AND AT THE PUBLICATIONS SALES COUNTER OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT, 19TH FLOOR, WANCHAI TOWER I, 12 HARBOUR ROAD, WAN CHAI.

ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE SURVEY RESULTS MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION STATISTICS SECTION OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT ON TEL. 823 4823.

/SUMMARY RESULTS

Summary results of the 1988 Survey of Industrial Production
Analysis by broad manufacturing industry group

Broad industry group	Number of establishments	Number of persons engaged	Compensation of employees (\$ Mn)	Purchases of materials, supplies and industrial work/services (\$ Mn)	Other expenses (\$ Mn)	Gross output (\$ Mn)	Value added (\$ Mn)
Food, beverages & tobacco	979 (1.1)	25 274 (-0.5)	1,607 (12.4)	6,888 (20.6)	1,672 (16.3)	12,335 (20.3)	4,140 (29.2)
Textiles (including knitting)	5 197 (-3.0)	124 354 (-3.9)	7,644 (7.0)	31,314 (6.7)	4,017 (5.9)	47,445 (6.9)	12,925 (2.8)
Wearing apparel, except knitwear & footwear	9 530 (0.1)	252 571 (-8.9)	13,041 (0.6)	38,004 (-2.1)	5,495 (0.4)	59,771 (-1.7)	17,858 (0.1)
Leather, wood & cork products	2 705 (-7.3)	24 415 (-9.6)	1,215 (2.4)	4,036 (-0.1)	612 (3.7)	6,292 (*)	1,744 (-0.5)
Paper products, printing & publishing	6 423 (13.1)	58 353 (10.4)	3,474 (29.6)	11,518 (37.3)	2,214 (44.3)	19,631 (35.3)	6,525 (30.8)
Chemicals, rubber & non-metallic mineral products	1 333 (-5.4)	15 857 (-11.6)	1,031 (3.6)	7,753 (27.5)	1,091 (7.3)	10,816 (21.5)	2,148 (10.7)
Plastic products	5 566 (2.9)	74 483 (-16.6)	3,846 (-0.7)	16,389 (4.4)	2,196 (2.4)	24,966 (5.0)	6,619 (9.2)
Basic metals, fabricated metal products, machinery & equipment	15 059 (5.4)	155 771 (-1.8)	8,775 (14.9)	41,645 (23.9)	4,260 (23.5)	60,093 (23.6)	15,408 (22.9)
Electrical & electronic products	1 977 (-5.7)	121 944 (-6.1)	6,510 (10.8)	44,922 (15.4)	4,687 (17.3)	60,186 (12.7)	12,670 (9.5)
Other manufacturing industries	2 902 (-6.7)	32 941 (-9.8)	1,920 (7.7)	10,597 (22.4)	871 (9.7)	14,405 (16.1)	3,146 (-4.4)
Total	51 671 (1.8)	885 963 (-6.2)	49,062 (7.7)	213,067 (12.5)	27,115 (11.9)	315,940 (11.5)	83,182 (9.8)

- Notes: (1) Individual entries may not add up exactly to the respective totals due to rounding.
- (2) Figures in brackets represent percentage changes in 1988 compared with 1987.
- (3) Value added is a measure of the contribution of an industry to Hong Kong's Gross Domestic Product.
- (4) The "Number of persons engaged" are 'full-year equivalent' figures, i.e. for an establishment which operated for only part of 1988, the number of persons engaged as at the end of the quarters during which the establishment operated are summed up and divided by 4.
- (5) * denotes a percentage change within $\pm 0.5\%$.

BRITISH NATIONALITY (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS)
(AMENDMENT) BILL TO BE GAZETTED

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THE GOVERNMENT PROPOSES TO MAKE IT AN OFFENCE FOR ANYONE TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT WHEN APPLYING FOR BRITISH CITIZENSHIP UNDER THE NATIONALITY PACKAGE.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID IT WAS ALREADY AN OFFENCE TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT UNDER THE BRITISH NATIONALITY ACT 1981. THE OFFENCE CARRIES A MAXIMUM PENALTY OF A \$15,000 FINE AND IMPRISONMENT FOR THREE MONTHS.

"THE BRITISH NATIONALITY (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990, TO BE GAZETTED NEXT WEEK, SEEKS TO EXTEND THE SCOPE OF THIS OFFENCE TO COVER THE BRITISH NATIONALITY (HONG KONG) ACT 1990, WHEN ENACTED," HE SAID.

ANOTHER CLAUSE OF THE BILL PROPOSES TO MAKE IT AN OFFENCE FOR ANYONE INVOLVED WITH PROCESSING APPLICATIONS UNDER THE NATIONALITY PACKAGE TO DISCLOSE ANY INFORMATION RELATING TO THE APPLICANTS WITHOUT PROPER AUTHORITY.

"THIS IS A ROUTINE PROVISION IN CASES WHERE A LARGE AMOUNT OF DETAILED INFORMATION HAS TO BE PROVIDED.

"SIMILAR PROVISIONS ALREADY EXIST TO PROTECT THE PRIVACY OF INFORMATION GIVEN TO THE GOVERNMENT UNDER THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS ORDINANCE AND THE INLAND REVENUE ORDINANCE.

"THE PROPOSED MAXIMUM PENALTY FOR UNAUTHORISED DISCLOSURE OR PUBLICATION OF SUCH INFORMATION IS A FINE OF \$50,000 AND IMPRISONMENT FOR SIX MONTHS.

"THE BILL ALSO PROPOSES THAT NO PROSECUTION FOR SUCH AN OFFENCE SHOULD BE INSTITUTED WITHOUT THE WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL," HE SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT THESE PROVISIONS HAVE TO BE IN PLACE TO FACILITATE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NATIONALITY PACKAGE ONCE THE BRITISH NATIONALITY (HONG KONG) BILL 1990, TOGETHER WITH ITS SUBSIDIARY LEGISLATION, WAS ENACTED.

"WE EXPECT THIS TO BE IN OCTOBER THIS YEAR," HE SAID.

THE BRITISH NATIONALITY (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990 IS DUE TO BE INTRODUCED INTO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ON JULY 25.

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ELECTRICITY SUBSIDIARY REGULATIONS GAZETTED

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FIVE SETS OF SUBSIDIARY REGULATIONS UNDER THE ELECTRICITY ORDINANCE 1990 WERE GAZETTED TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE SUBSIDIARY REGULATIONS, TOGETHER WITH THE ELECTRICITY ORDINANCE WHICH WAS ENACTED ON MARCH 23 THIS YEAR, AIM AT ACHIEVING THE DUAL PURPOSE OF REPLACING THE EXISTING ELECTRICITY SUPPLY ORDINANCE, THE PROVISIONS OF WHICH HAVE BECOME OUT OF DATE AND DEFICIENT IN A NUMBER OF IMPORTANT AREAS; AND INTRODUCING MEASURES TO IMPROVE THE SAFETY STANDARDS IN RELATION TO ELECTRICAL WORK AND APPLIANCES.

THE SUBSIDIARY REGULATIONS WHICH WERE ENACTED TODAY INCLUDE:

ELECTRICITY (REGISTRATION) REGULATIONS 1990

WHICH SET OUT THE PROCEDURES, QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR REGISTRATION OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS AND WORKERS AND GENERATING FACILITIES;

ELECTRICITY (WIRING) REGULATIONS 1990

WHICH PRESCRIBE MINIMUM SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE WIRING OF FIXED ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS AND THE REQUIREMENT OF PERIODIC TESTING OF FIXED INSTALLATIONS IN SOME SPECIFIED TYPES OF PREMISES;

ELECTRICITY (EXEMPTION) REGULATIONS 1990

WHICH SPECIFY THE SPECIFIC CIRCUMSTANCES OR TYPES OF FIXED ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS IN RESPECT OF WHICH EXEMPTION MAY BE GRANTED BY THE DIRECTOR OF ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL SERVICES UNDER THE ELECTRICITY ORDINANCE;

ELECTRICITY SUPPLY (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 1990 AND ELECTRICITY SUPPLY (SPECIAL AREAS) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 1990

WHICH ARE AMENDMENTS TO RESPECTIVE PRINCIPAL REGULATIONS AS A CONSEQUENCE OF THE IMPENDING REPEAL OF THE ELECTRICITY SUPPLY ORDINANCE (CAP. 103).

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CSD DOING IMPORTANT AND DIFFICULT WORK

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THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS DOING IMPORTANT WORK WHICH HAS NOW BECOME VERY MUCH MORE DIFFICULT AS A RESULT OF OVERCROWDING IN PRISONS AND STAFF SHORTAGES, THE SECRETARY FOR SECURITY, MR ALISTAIR ASPREY, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE OVERCROWDING IN PRISONS WAS CAUSED MAINLY BY THE LARGE AND GROWING NUMBER OF ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS FROM CHINA BEING IMPRISONED, WHILE STAFF SHORTAGES WERE EXACERBATED BY THE DEPARTMENT'S INVOLVEMENT IN MANAGING DETENTION CENTRES FOR OVER 30,000 VIETNAMESE BOAT PEOPLE, MR ASPREY SAID.

"I HAVE TO SAY THAT THESE PROBLEMS ARE LIKELY TO BE WITH US FOR SOME TIME YET," MR ASPREY SAID WHEN OFFICIATING AT A PASSING OUT PARADE OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT OFFICERS.

"ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION FROM CHINA HAS BECOME ONCE AGAIN A SERIOUS PROBLEM, AND WE ARE DETERMINED TO DEMONSTRATE FIRMLY THAT THERE IS NO QUESTION OF AN AMNESTY OR ANY RELAXATION IN OUR POLICY," HE SAID.

"ONLY WHEN THIS MESSAGE GETS HOME ARE WE LIKELY TO SEE A GRADUAL REDUCTION IN THE ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT PRISON POPULATION."

HE SAID THE DEPARTMENT WOULD ALSO HAVE TO RETAIN A RESPONSIBILITY FOR VIETNAMESE BOAT PEOPLE FOR THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE.

"BUT HERE I HOPE I CAN OFFER SOME PROSPECT OF GRADUAL RELIEF," HE SAID.

"THE DEPARTMENT HAS ALREADY RELINQUISHED ITS RESPONSIBILITY FOR REFUGEE CENTRES; IF ARRIVALS REMAIN LOW, AND THE PRESENT RATE OF REPATRIATION IS MAINTAINED OR INCREASED, I BELIEVED THAT WE SHALL BY THE END OF THE YEAR BE ABLE TO CLOSE SOME OF THE SMALLER DETENTION CENTRES, FOR EXAMPLE AT NEI KWU, CHI MA WAN (LOWER), AND CAPE COLLISON."

THIS SHOULD HELP EASE, THOUGH ONLY IN A SMALL WAY, STAFFING AND ACCOMMODATION PROBLEMS, MR ASPREY SAID.

HE SAID THAT DESPITE THE DIFFICULTIES, THE DEPARTMENT HAS MAINTAINED ITS HIGH STANDARDS IN ALL AREAS OF ITS OPERATIONS, AND HAS INDEED CONTINUED TO DEVELOP AND IMPROVE ITS PROGRAMMES OF AFTERCARE, EDUCATION AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING, AS WELL AS CORRECTIONAL SERVICES INDUSTRIES.

"THE SERVICE AS A WHOLE HAS MET THE CHALLENGES AND OVERCOME THE DIFFICULTIES. THIS IS THE TRUE MEASURE OF A SERVICE WITH HIGH STANDARDS, PROFESSIONAL PRIDE AND GOOD MORALE," HE SAID.

/MR ASPREY

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MR ASPREY SAID HE WAS SURE THAT THE OFFICERS WHO WERE PASSING OUT TODAY WILL CARRY FORWARD THESE TRADITIONS, AND ENHANCE THE HIGH REPUTATION WHICH HONG KONG'S CORRECTIONAL SERVICES ENJOYED INTERNATIONALLY FOR THE STANDARDS OF ITS PENAL CARE.

THE PARADE, HELD AT THE DEPARTMENT'S STAFF TRAINING INSTITUTE AT STANLEY, MARKED THE PASSING OUT OF 26 OFFICERS AND 50 ASSISTANT OFFICERS WHO HAVE JUST COMPLETED A 26-WEEK BASIC TRAINING AT THE INSTITUTE.

MR ASPREY ALSO PRESENTED SILVER WHISTLES TO THE TWO BEST RECRUITS.

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TRADE ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERSHIP ANNOUNCED

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THE GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY) THE NEW MEMBERSHIP OF THE TRADE ADVISORY BOARD FOR THE YEAR STARTING FROM JULY 1, 1990.

THE TERMS OF 12 OF THE NON-OFFICIAL MEMBERS ON THE BOARD HAVE BEEN EXTENDED FOR ANOTHER YEAR.

AT THE SAME TIME, MR BOB CHONG HOT-HOI, MR CLIFF SUN KAI-LIT, MR HERBERT WONG WAN-CHAM AND MR HOWARD YOUNG HOW-WAH HAVE BEEN APPOINTED NEW MEMBERS TO THE BOARD WHILE MR WILLIAM TURNBULL AND DR KENNETH K.K. WANG HAVE RETIRED.

MR CHONG IS THE DIRECTOR OF CHUNG NAM WATCH CO LTD. MR SUN IS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF KIN HIP METAL AND PLASTIC FACTORY LTD. MR WONG IS THE MANAGING DIRECTOR OF W. HAKING ENTERPRISES LTD AND MR YOUNG IS THE DIRECTOR OF SWIRE TRAVEL LTD.

THE THREE OFFICIAL MEMBERS -- THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF TRADE, THE DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY AND THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS AND EXCISE -- REMAIN ON THE BOARD. THE SECRETARY FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY CONTINUES TO BE THE EX-OFFICIO CHAIRMAN.

THE SECRETARY FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY, MR JOHN CHAN, HAS PAID TRIBUTE TO MR TURNBULL AND DR WANG WHO HAVE SERVED ON THE BOARD FOR SEVEN YEARS AND FOUR YEARS RESPECTIVELY.

MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN REAPPOINTED ARE: MR PAUL CHENG, MR RAYMOND K.F. CH'IEN, MR GARY N. HARILELA, MR HO SAI-CHU, MR RAY MAN LEUNG, MRS ELEANOR C.M. LING, MR J.D. MCGREGOR, MR JACK SO, MR VINCENT S.T. WAN, MR PAUL K.C. WONG, MR LOUIS K.C. WONG AND MISS SYLVIA S.F. YAU.

THE TRADE ADVISORY BOARD, COMPRISING MAINLY NON-OFFICIAL MEMBERS, IS CONSULTED ON ALL MATTERS AFFECTING HONG KONG'S TRADE, OTHER THAN TRADE IN TEXTILES AND GARMENTS.

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THIRTEEN DISTRICTS TO LAUNCH SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMMES

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THIRTEEN DISTRICTS WILL BE LAUNCHING THEIR DISTRICT SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMMES WITH VARIETY SHOWS, CARNIVALS AND GAMES TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AND ON SUNDAY.

THEY ARE KOWLOON CITY, MONG KOK, SHAM SHUI PO, KWUN TONG, YAU TSIM, SHA TIN, SAI KUNG, TUEN MUN, TSUEN WAN, TAI PO, EASTERN, WAN CHAI AND CENTRAL AND WESTERN.

EACH OF THE DISTRICTS HAS ORGANISED A RICH PROGRAMME OF RECREATIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AGED BETWEEN SIX AND 25.

BEARING THE THEME OF "SHARE THE FUN, SERVE THE COMMUNITY", THE ACTIVITIES INCLUDE LEADERSHIP TRAINING COURSES, EXHIBITIONS, CAMPING, SPORTS AND GAMES COMPETITIONS, SEMINARS, VISITS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES.

EACH DISTRICT HAS ALSO PRODUCED A BOOKLET ON DETAILS OF ITS PROGRAMME. COPIES ARE NOW AVAILABLE IN THE DISTRICT OFFICES AND THEIR SUB-OFFICES.

BEGINNING THEIR PROGRAMMES TOMORROW ARE SHAM SHUI PO, KWUN TONG, TAI PO AND TSUEN WAN.

SHAM SHUI PO WILL HOLD THE OPENING CEREMONY OF ITS PROGRAMME AT THE MAPLE STREET PLAYGROUND, BEGINNING AT 7 PM; KWUN TONG AT WELLINGTON COLLEGE, TELFORD GARDEN, AT 7 PM; TAI PO AT THE TAI PO PLAYGROUND, HEUNG SZE WUI STREET, AT 8 PM; AND TSUEN WAN AT THE PRINCESS ALEXANDRA COMMUNITY CENTRE, TAI HO ROAD, AT 9.30 AM.

THE VENUES AND TIMES OF THE OPENING CEREMONIES IN THE OTHER DISTRICTS ON SUNDAY ARE:

KOWLOON CITY	MA TAU WAI ROAD FOOTBALL PITCH	2.30 PM
MONG KOK	MACPHERSON PLAYGROUND	4 PM
YAU TSIM	NEW WORLD PLAZA	2.30 PM
SAI KUNG	TSUI LAM ESTATE COMMUNITY HALL	2 PM
TUEN MUN	TUEN MUN CULTURAL SQUARE	10 AM
EASTERN	VICTORIA PARK	2.30 PM
WAN CHAI	SOUTHORN INDOOR STADIUM	3 PM

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CENTRAL AND WESTERN	CHATER ROAD PEDESTRIAN PRECINCT	2.30 PM
SHA TIN	CENTRAL PARK	3.30 PM

NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONIES FOR THE DISTRICT SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMMES.

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EXHIBITION TO PROMOTE CIVIC EDUCATION

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MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO GAIN A BETTER INSIGHT INTO THE MEANING OF AND THE PRINCIPLES BEHIND ELECTIONS BY VISITING AN EXHIBITION TO BE STAGED BY THE COMMITTEE ON THE PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION.

THE EXHIBITION, WITH "FREE TO CHOOSE" AS ITS THEME, WILL BE HELD BETWEEN JULY 7 AND 9 AT THE EXHIBITION HALL, LOW BLOCK, CITY HALL.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE COMMITTEE SAID: "WE HOPE TO ENCOURAGE THE PUBLIC TO ACQUIRE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF ELECTIONS AND OTHER ASSOCIATED ISSUES AND TO PARTICIPATE ACTIVELY IN THE 1991 ELECTIONS.

"WE ALSO HOPE TO PROMOTE CIVIC EDUCATION IN A BROAD SENSE," HE ADDED.

THE FIRST PART OF THE EXHIBITION WILL BE ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT IN HONG KONG, INCLUDING THE MEANING AND PRINCIPLES OF ELECTIONS, HOW TO CHOOSE THE RIGHT CANDIDATES AND HOW TO MONITOR THE PERFORMANCE OF THE ELECTED MEMBERS IN ALL TIERS OF THE POLITICAL SYSTEM.

THE SECOND PART, WHICH FEATURES CONTRIBUTIONS FROM DISTRICT BODIES AND ORGANISERS OF OUTSTANDING CIVIC EDUCATION PROJECTS, WILL INCLUDE DISPLAYS ON DEMOCRACY, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND PROMOTION OF LEGAL EDUCATION.

TO MARK THE OPENING OF THE EXHIBITION, A CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT THE EXHIBITION VENUE TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AT 10.30 AM.

OFFICIATING WILL BE THE SECRETARY FOR HOME AFFAIRS, MR PETER TSAO, AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION, DR DANIEL TSE.

MR TSAO WILL ALSO BE PRESENTING PRIZES TO WINNERS OF THE OUTSTANDING CIVIC EDUCATION PROJECT AWARDS.

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THE DATES AND TIMES OF THE EXHIBITION WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:

JULY 7 (SATURDAY) - 12 NOON TO 7 PM

JULY 8 (SUNDAY) - 10 AM TO 7 PM

JULY 9 (MONDAY) - 10 AM TO 5 PM

ADMISSION TO THE EXHIBITION IS FREE AND ALL VISITORS WILL RECEIVE A CIVIC EDUCATION CARTOON BOOKLET AND A BOOKMARK AS SOUVENIR.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE CIVIC EDUCATION EXHIBITION AND PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY FOR THE OUTSTANDING CIVIC EDUCATION PROJECT AWARDS TO BE HELD AT THE EXHIBITION HALL, LOW BLOCK, CITY HALL, TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AT 10.30 AM.

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SAI KUNG TO CLEAN UP ON SUNDAY
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THE KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN CAMPAIGN IN SAI KUNG WILL BEGIN ON SUNDAY (JULY 8).

THERE WILL BE AN OPENING CEREMONY AND AFTER THIS A CLEAN-UP WILL BE MADE OF THE GREEN BELTS AT PO LAM AND TSUI LAM ESTATES IN TSEUNG KWAN O.

ABOUT 50 STUDENTS OF THE CARMEL DIVINE GRACE FOUNDATION SECONDARY SCHOOL AT PO LAM ESTATE WILL TAKE PART IN THE CLEAN-UP OPERATION.

THE OPERATION, THE FIRST IN A SERIES OF CLEAN-UP ACTIVITIES IN SAI KUNG THIS YEAR, IS ALSO A DISTRICT PROGRAMME IN SUPPORT OF THE "CLEAN HONG KONG DAY" ORGANISED BY THE JOINT URBAN/REGIONAL COUNCIL KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN STEERING COMMITTEE.

THE TERRITORY-WIDE CAMPAIGN IS AIMED AT ENHANCING PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THE NEED TO KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN.

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THE CAMPAIGN WILL BE LAUNCHED BY THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT OFFICER, MR FREDERICK TONG; CHAIRMAN OF THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT BOARD, MR WILLIAM WAN; CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD'S ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE, MR HO KOON-SHUN; CONVENER OF THE WORKING GROUP ON KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN CAMPAIGN 1990-91, MR EDWARD PONG; AND THE DISTRICT HYGIENE SUPERINTENDENT (SAI KUNG) OF THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, MR CHU WING-WAI.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE 1990-91 SAI KUNG DISTRICT KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN CAMPAIGN AND THE CLEAN-UP OPERATION IN TSEUNG KWAN O.

THE CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT THE TSUI LAM ESTATE AMPHITHEATRE AT 2.30 PM ON SUNDAY (JULY 8).

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SHAM TSENG SAN TSUEN ACCESS ROAD RECONSTRUCTION WORKS TO BE AMENDED
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THE TERRITORY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT PROPOSES TO AMEND THE WORKS FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE SHAM TSENG SAN TSUEN ACCESS ROAD, DETAILS OF WHICH WERE DESCRIBED IN A GAZETTE NOTICE PUBLISHED ON OCTOBER 13 AND 20 LAST YEAR.

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT WORKS INCLUDE OMITTING THE LAY-BY AND A SHORT LENGTH OF THE FOOTPATH NEAR BUILDING C.L.L. 9440, AND RETAINING THE STRUCTURES ON C.L.L. 9440 AND C.L.L. 9423 AND THE STRUCTURE ON GOVERNMENT LAND ADJACENT TO C.L.L. 9423.

A NOTICE ON THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT WORKS WAS PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE CONSTRUCTION WORKS ARE PROGRAMMED TO COMMENCE EARLY NEXT YEAR FOR COMPLETION IN EARLY 1992.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY INSPECT THE AMENDMENT PLAN AND SCHEME AT THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, CENTRAL ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING, MAIN ENTRANCE LOBBY; AND AT THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE AND THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT OFFICE, BOTH AT TSUEN WAN STATION MULTI-STOREY CARPARK BUILDING, 174-208 CASTLE PEAK ROAD, TSUEN WAN.

ANY PERSON WHO WISHES TO OBJECT TO THE PROPOSED WORKS SHOULD WRITE TO THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, EAST WING, SECOND FLOOR, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, HONG KONG BY AUGUST 28 THIS YEAR.

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MORE ROADS TO BE BUILT IN SHEUNG SHUI
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THE TERRITORY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT IS PLANNING TO BUILD MORE ROADS IN SHEUNG SHUI AREA 30A TO PROVIDE VEHICULAR AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESS TO THE DEVELOPMENTS IN THE AREA.

THE PROPOSED WORKS INVOLVE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SECTION OF A LOCAL DISTRIBUTOR ROAD (ROAD L10) OF ABOUT 500 METRES IN LENGTH, LOCAL ROADS 3001, 3002 AND 3004, VEHICULAR ACCESSSES, FOOTPATHS, CYCLE TRACKS, ROADSIDE AMENITIES AND STREET FURNITURE TOGETHER WITH ANCILLARY DRAINAGE WORKS.

A BUS TERMINUS, A GREEN MINIBUS TERMINUS, CARPARK AND LORRY PARK AND A PEDESTRIAN SUBWAY ACROSS ROAD D4 WILL ALSO BE BUILT.

PERMANENT ALTERNATIVE ACCESSSES WILL BE PROVIDED TO CATER FOR THE EXISTING ACCESSSES THAT HAVE TO BE CLOSED.

DURING THE CONSTRUCTION PERIOD, VEHICULAR AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESSSES WILL BE MAINTAINED SO THAT ANY INCONVENIENCE TO THE PUBLIC WILL BE MINIMISED.

A NOTICE CONCERNING THE PROPOSED WORKS WAS PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

A PLAN SHOWING THE PROPOSED WORKS CAN BE SEEN AT THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, CENTRAL ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING, MAIN ENTRANCE LOBBY, HONG KONG; AND AT THE NORTH DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE AND THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE, BOTH AT JOCKEY CLUB ROAD, FANLING ROUNDABOUT, FANLING.

ANY PERSON WHO WISHES TO OBJECT TO THE PROPOSED WORKS SHOULD WRITE TO THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, EAST WING, SECOND FLOOR, LOWER ALBERT ROAD NOT LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 4 THIS YEAR.

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COMMERCIAL SUBJECTS PROJECTS ON DISPLAY
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AN EXHIBITION OF THE BEST OF MORE THAN 200 COMMERCIAL SUBJECTS PROJECT COMPETITION ENTRIES IS NOW OPEN FOR PUBLIC VIEWING AT THE HONG KONG TEACHERS' CENTRE IN NORTH POINT STARTING FROM TODAY (FRIDAY) UNTIL TUESDAY (JULY 10) DURING OFFICE HOURS.

THE COMMERCIAL SUBJECTS PROJECT COMPETITION WAS ORGANISED BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AND THE CHINESE GOLD AND SILVER EXCHANGE SOCIETY TO AROUSE THE INTEREST OF SECONDARY STUDENTS IN VARIOUS BUSINESS ACTIVITIES IN HONG KONG.

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STUDENTS WERE REQUIRED TO CONDUCT RESEARCH AND ANALYSE DATA ON HONG KONG'S FINANCIAL MARKET, ADVERTISING, RETAIL BUSINESS, ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE, OFFICE AUTOMATION, FOREIGN TRADE OR OTHER BUSINESS ACTIVITIES, AN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY.

HE SAID THROUGH PARTICIPATION, STUDENTS COULD INTEGRATE THE KNOWLEDGE THEY LEARNT IN THE CLASSROOM INTO FIELDWORK STUDIES.

THE PROJECTS ON DISPLAY WERE PRESENTED IN THE FORM OF AN ESSAY, MODELS, PHOTOGRAPHS, DRAWINGS, SLIDES AND SOUND TAPES OR MIXED COMBINATION.

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SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS APPLICATION REMINDER

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THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT TODAY (FRIDAY) REMINDED STUDENTS WISHING TO APPLY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS AND MARINE FISH SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS TO MAKE THEIR APPLICATIONS EARLY.

"ONLY ONE WEEK IS LEFT FOR APPLICATIONS FOR TERTIARY EDUCATION SUBSIDIES BEFORE THE CLOSING DATE ON JULY 13. LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED," A SPOKESMAN SAID.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE DEPARTMENT'S HEADQUARTERS ON THE 12TH FLOOR OF CANTON ROAD GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 393 CANTON ROAD, KOWLOON, AND FROM VARIOUS DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL AND FISHERIES LIAISON OFFICES.

THE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS AND MARINE FISH SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS AIM AT HELPING PEOPLE WHO WISH TO SERVE THE LOCAL AGRICULTURAL AND FISHERIES INDUSTRIES OR RELATED TRADES ON COMPLETION OF THEIR STUDIES, AND ALSO THOSE EMPLOYED IN THE INDUSTRIES WHO WISH TO PURSUE FURTHER TRAINING.

ANOTHER AIM IS TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO CHILDREN OF FARMING AND FISHING FAMILIES TO COMPLETE THEIR TERTIARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLING.

THE AWARDS WILL BE TENABLE AT ANY UNIVERSITY IN HONG KONG, THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC, CITY POLYTECHNIC, BAPTIST COLLEGE, ANY ACCEPTABLE OVERSEAS INSTITUTION AND ANY SECONDARY SCHOOL IN HONG KONG.

APPLICANTS IN TERTIARY EDUCATION SHOULD BE HONG KONG RESIDENTS UNDER 30 YEARS OF AGE. THEY SHOULD STUDY COURSES ON AGRICULTURE, VETERINARY SCIENCE, MARINE SCIENCE AND BIOLOGY OR ANY APPLIED SCIENCE DIRECTLY RELEVANT TO THE LOCAL AGRICULTURE OR FISHERIES INDUSTRIES AND RELATED TRADES.

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MEANWHILE, APPLICATIONS ARE ALSO OPEN TO CHILDREN OF FARMING AND FISHING FAMILIES WHO ARE IN NEED OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO COMPLETE FORMS 4 TO 7.

"APPLICATIONS FOR SUCH ASSISTANCE WILL CLOSE ON AUGUST 15," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE FUNDS AND APPLICATION PROCEDURES CAN BE MADE ON TEL. 733 2244 DURING OFFICE HOURS.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENT IN FO TAN
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT WITH EFFECT FROM 10 AM ON SUNDAY (JULY 8), NGAU WU TOK STREET IN FO TAN WILL BE RE-ROUTED ONE-WAY ANTI-CLOCKWISE FROM SHAN MEI STREET TO SUI WO ROAD INSTEAD OF ONE-WAY CLOCKWISE FROM SUI WO ROAD TO SHAN MEI STREET.

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE SET UP TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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TEMPORARY LANE CLOSURE ON TUEN MUN ROAD
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT TO FACILITATE RESURFACING WORKS, TWO TRAFFIC LANES OF THE NEW TERRITORIES BOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF TUEN MUN ROAD SECTION BETWEEN PAI MIN KOK AND TSING LUNG TAU WILL BE TEMPORARILY CLOSED IN TURN FROM 9.30 PM ON SUNDAY (JULY 8) TO 6 PM ON JULY 15.

CLOSURE OF TWO TRAFFIC LANES WILL ONLY BE IMPLEMENTED FROM 9.30 PM TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY. ONE TRAFFIC LANE WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE REST OF THE CLOSURE PERIOD.

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TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE IN TUEN MUN
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT TO FACILITATE ROAD REPAIR WORKS AS NECESSITATED BY A WATERMAIN BURST, THE SOUTHBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF TSUN WEN ROAD BETWEEN HO TIN STREET AND KIN WING STREET IN TUEN MUN HAS BEEN CLOSED AS FROM TODAY (FRIDAY) FOR ABOUT ONE WEEK.

DURING THIS PERIOD, TRAFFIC ON SOUTHBOUND TSUN WEN ROAD HEADING FOR PUI TO ROAD WILL BE DIVERTED VIA KIN FUNG CIRCUIT.

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