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PRICE AND VOLUME MOVEMENTS OF EXTERNAL TRADE FOR 1981  
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THE PRICES OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS ROSE BY 9 PER CENT AND THOSE OF IMPORTS BY 11 PER CENT IN 1981 OVER 1980, ACCORDING TO STATISTICS RELEASED TODAY BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

AS A RESULT, THE TERMS OF TRADE INDEX (EXPRESSED AS A RATIO OF THE DOMESTIC EXPORT PRICE INDEX TO THE IMPORT PRICE INDEX) DROPPED BY 2 PER CENT.

THE VOLUME OF IMPORTS INCREASED BY 11 PER CENT WHILE THAT OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS ROSE BY 8 PER CENT.

THE PRICES OF RE-EXPORTS INCREASED BY 8 PER CENT, WITH VOLUME UP BY 28 PER CENT, SO THAT FOR TOTAL EXPORTS, PRICES ROSE BY 9 PER CENT AND VOLUME ROSE BY 14 PER CENT.

PRICES ARE BASED ON UNIT VALUES WHICH DO NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT CHANGES IN THE COMPOSITION OR QUALITY OF GOODS TRADED.

CHANGES IN THE VOLUME OF TRADE ARE DERIVED FROM CHANGES IN TRADE VALUES, AFTER DISCOUNTING THE EFFECT OF PRICE CHANGES.

THE CHANGES IN THE VALUE, UNIT VALUE AND VOLUME OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS BY COMMODITY GROUPS ARE SHOWN BELOW:-

|  | CHANGES COMPARING 1981 WITH 1980 |                      |                  |
|--|----------------------------------|----------------------|------------------|
|  | EXPORT<br>VALUE                  | EXPORT<br>UNIT VALUE | EXPORT<br>VOLUME |
| CLOTHING (EXCEPT FUR)                    | +21%                             | +10%                 | +10%             |
| TEXTILE FABRICS                          | +20%                             | + 7%                 | +11%             |
| TEXTILE YARN AND THREAD                  | +13%                             | + 9%                 | + 3%             |
| TEXTILE MADE-UPS AND RELATED<br>ARTICLES | +10%                             | +12%                 | - 2%             |
| ALL TRANSISTORISED RADIOS                | + 4%                             | +12%                 | - 7%             |
| ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS                    | +21%                             | +14%                 | + 6%             |
| FOOTWEAR                                 | +34%                             | + 6%                 | +26%             |
| METAL MANUFACTURES                       | - 2%                             | + 6%                 | - 7%             |
| METAL ORES AND SCRAP                     | -20%                             | - 5%                 | -16%             |
| WATCHES AND CLOCKS                       | +13%                             | -10%                 | +26%             |
| COMMODITY GROUPS NOT<br>SPECIFIED ABOVE  | +20%                             | +14%                 | + 6%             |
| ALL COMMODITIES                          | +18%                             | + 9%                 | + 8%             |

THE EXPORT PRICES OF MOST COMMODITY GROUPS INCREASED, FROM 6 PER CENT FOR FOOTWEAR AND METAL MANUFACTURES TO 14 PER CENT FOR ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS.

ON THE OTHER HAND, THE EXPORT PRICES OF METAL ORES AND SCRAP, AS WELL AS WATCHES AND CLOCKS, DECLINED BY 5 PER CENT AND 10 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY.

CONSIDERABLE GROWTH IN THE VOLUME OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS WAS RECORDED FOR FOOTWEAR AS WELL AS WATCHES AND CLOCKS (+26 PER CENT FOR BOTH CATEGORIES). HOWEVER, THE EXPORT VOLUME OF TEXTILE MADE-UPS, RADIOS, METAL MANUFACTURES, AS WELL AS METAL ORES AND SCRAP DECLINED BY 2 PER CENT, 7 PER CENT, 7 PER CENT AND 16 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY.

THE CHANGES IN THE VALUE, UNIT VALUE AND VOLUME OF IMPORTS BY END-USE CATEGORY ARE SHOWN BELOW:-

|   | CHANGES COMPARING 1981 WITH 1980 |                      |                  |
|---|----------------------------------|----------------------|------------------|
|   | IMPORT<br>VALUE                  | IMPORT<br>UNIT VALUE | IMPORT<br>VOLUME |
| FOODSTUFFS                              | +22%                             | +19%                 | + 2%             |
| CONSUMER GOODS                          | +25%                             | + 6%                 | +19%             |
| FUELS                                   | +40%                             | +29%                 | + 8%             |
| RAW MATERIALS AND SEMI-<br>MANUFACTURES | +20%                             | +10%                 | +10%             |
| CAPITAL GOODS                           | +26%                             | +12%                 | +13%             |
| ALL COMMODITIES                         | +24%                             | +11%                 | +11%             |

WITH THE EXCEPTION OF FUELS, THE PRICES OF WHICH JUMPED BY 29 PER CENT, THE PRICES OF IMPORTS BY END-USE CATEGORY INCREASED MODERATELY, RANGING FROM 6 PER CENT FOR CONSUMER GOODS TO 19 PER CENT FOR FOODSTUFFS.

ONLY SOME MAJOR IMPORTED FOODSTUFFS ROSE IN VOLUME TERMS, THE MORE SIGNIFICANT ONES BEING LIVE POULTRY AND VEGETABLES. ON THE OTHER HAND, THE IMPORT VOLUME OF SOYA BEAN OIL, PEANUT OIL AND LARD, AS WELL AS TEA AND COFFEE, DECLINED.

IN THE CONSUMER GOODS CATEGORY, SIGNIFICANT INCREASES IN IMPORT VOLUME WERE REGISTERED FOR CLOTHING, TEXTILE MADE-UPS AND FOOTWEAR. THE IMPORT VOLUME OF PASSENGER MOTOR CARS FELL.

IMPORTS OF FUELS ROSE BY 8 PER CENT IN VOLUME TERMS.

THE IMPORT VOLUME OF MOST RAW MATERIALS AND SEMI-MANUFACTURES ROSE, AMONG WHICH THE PURCHASES OF FABRICS OF MAN-MADE FIBRES, WOOL AND OTHER ANIMAL HAIR, AND YARN OF MAN-MADE FIBRES INCREASED SUBSTANTIALLY. THE IMPORT VOLUME OF COTTON YARN AND THREAD, YARN OF WOOL AND MIXTURES, AND RAW COTTON DECLINED.

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AS FOR CAPITAL GOODS, MAJOR INCREASES IN IMPORT VOLUME WERE RECORDED FOR OFFICE MACHINES AND ELECTRICAL MACHINERY.

THE CHANGES IN THE VALUE, UNIT VALUE AND VOLUME OF RE-EXPORTS BY END-USE CATEGORY ARE SHOWN BELOW:-

|  | CHANGES COMPARING 1981 WITH 1980 |                         |                     |
|--|----------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
|  | RE-EXPORT<br>VALUE               | RE-EXPORT<br>UNIT VALUE | RE-EXPORT<br>VOLUME |
| FOODSTUFFS                             | +61%                             | +16%                    | +38%                |
| CONSUMER GOODS                         | +32%                             | + 1%                    | +30%                |
| FUELS                                  | +41%                             | +31%                    | + 7%                |
| RAW MATERIALS AND<br>SEMI-MANUFACTURES | +42%                             | +12%                    | +27%                |
| CAPITAL GOODS                          | +45%                             | +17%                    | +24%                |
| ALL COMMODITIES                        | +39%                             | + 8%                    | +28%                |

THE CHANGES IN RE-EXPORT VOLUME VARIED AMONG THE FIVE END-USE CATEGORIES, RANGING FROM A 7 PER CENT INCREASE FOR FUELS TO A 38 PER CENT INCREASE FOR FOODSTUFFS.

FURTHER DETAILS ARE CONTAINED IN THE DECEMBER 1981 ISSUE OF THE +HONG KONG TRADE INDEX NUMBERS+, AVAILABLE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE AT HK\$2 PER COPY.

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## TENDER FOR PUMPING MAIN

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THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE LAYING OF A PUMPING MAIN ALONG LIN MA HANG ROAD AND PING CHE ROAD TO PUMP FLOOD WATER FROM RIVER GANGES TO PLOVER COVE RESERVOIR.

THIS CONTRACT FORMS PART OF THE RIVER GANGES CATCHMENT SCHEME.

WORK IS EXPECTED TO COMMENCE IN APRIL AND WILL TAKE ABOUT 12 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

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CALL TO VOTE IN ISLANDS DISTRICT

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WITH ONLY A FEW DAYS TO GO BEFORE THE NEW TERRITORIES DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS ARE HELD, ISLAND DISTRICT OFFICER, MR RICKY FUNG, TODAY (SUNDAY) APPEALED TO ALL ELIGIBLE VOTERS OF THE DISTRICT TO VOTE ON POLLING DAY ON THURSDAY (MARCH 4).

+THIS IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY, DON'T GIVE UP YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE,+ HE URGED.

HE SAID HE HOPED RESIDENTS WOULD COME FORWARD TO CHOOSE THOSE THEY BELIEVED COULD REPRESENT THEIR OPINIONS ON THE DISTRICT BOARD.

+THROUGH THE CANDIDATES YOU ELECT, YOU WILL BE ABLE TO HAVE A SAY IN HOW PUBLIC FACILITIES AND SERVICES IN THE DISTRICT CAN BE IMPROVED, HOW THE ENVIRONMENT CAN BE MADE BETTER,+ MR FUNG SAID.

HE SAID THERE WOULD BE A TOTAL OF 15 POLLING STATIONS SET UP IN THE FIVE CONSTITUENCIES OF ISLANDS DISTRICT AND POLLING HOURS WOULD BE THE SAME AS IN THE OTHER SEVEN DISTRICTS (7 AM - 10 PM).

HE REMINDED VOTERS THAT THEY SHOULD BRING THEIR IDENTITY CARDS OR DRIVING LICENCES WITH THEM AND VOTE ONLY AT THE POLLING STATION INDICATED ON THEIR POLL CARDS.

+VOTERS WILL BE GIVEN EVERY POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE,+ HE SAID.

THE LOCATIONS OF POLLING STATIONS ARE:

CHEUNG CHAU EAST CONSTITUENCY: CHEUNG CHAU GOVERNMENT MIDDLE SCHOOL.

CHEUNG CHAU NORTH CONSTITUENCY: CHEUNG CHAU KWOK MAN SCHOOL.

LAMMA AND PO TOI CONSTITUENCY: NORTHERN LAMMA SCHOOL- SOUTH LAMMA COMMUNITY CENTRE- AND PO TOI VILLAGE OFFICE.

LANTAU AND ASSOCIATED ISLANDS CONSTITUENCY: MUI WO RECREATION CENTRE- BUI O SCHOOL- TONG FUK VILLAGE OFFICE- PO LIN MONASTERY'S GENERAL OFFICE- WING CHOR SCHOOL- SHA LO WAN VILLAGE OFFICE- SAN TAU VILLAGE OFFICE AND COMMUNITY CENTRE- TUNG CHUNG PUBLIC SCHOOL- AND PAK MONG SCHOOL.

PENG CHAU CONSTITUENCY: PENG CHAU CHI YAN PUBLIC SCHOOL.

DIRECTIONAL SIGNS WILL BE SET UP IN THE VARIOUS CONSTITUENCIES TO GUIDE VOTERS TO POLLING STATIONS.

VOTERS WHO HAVE ANY ENQUIRIES ABOUT VOTING PROCEDURES SHOULD TELEPHONE ISLANDS DISTRICT OFFICE ON 5-409207, 5-409934 OR 5-409225.

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### NEW PARKING METERS VERY SUCCESSFUL

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THE NUMBER OF FOREIGN COINS AND OTHER FAKE OBJECTS PUT INTO PARKING METERS HAS DROPPED SIGNIFICANTLY SINCE THE INSTALLATION OF THE NEW DUNCAN METERS, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

THE SUCCESS OF THESE NEW METERS CAN ALSO BE GAUGED BY THE FACT THAT THE NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS REGARDING JAMMED OR DEFECTIVE SETS HAS DROPPED FROM 2 059 IN JANUARY 1981 TO ONLY 670 LAST DECEMBER.

ADDITIONALLY, THESE METERS HAVE PROVED MORE THIEF-PROOF. NO COIN BOXES WERE REPORTED MISSING DURING THE PAST THREE MONTHS.

IN TERMS OF REVENUE, OVER \$3.2 MILLION WAS COLLECTED LAST DECEMBER. IT IS ESTIMATED THAT ONLY 0.2 PER CENT OF REVENUE WAS LOST BECAUSE OF PEOPLE TRYING TO BUY TIME WITH FOREIGN OBJECTS.

ALL THE OLD VENNER METERS HAVE BEEN REPLACED SINCE THE CONVERSION PROGRAMME STARTED IN JULY LAST YEAR. ON HONG KONG ISLAND 3 009 NEW METERS HAVE BEEN INSTALLED AND IN KOWLOON, 5 955 HAVE BEEN SUBSTITUTED.

IN THE NEW TERRITORIES 4 000 NEW METERS WILL BE INSTALLED BY THE END OF THIS YEAR.

THE SPOKESMAN WARNED THAT IT IS A CRIMINAL OFFENCE TO TAMPER WITH PARKING METERS.

+RECENTLY, FOUR MEN WERE GIVEN SUSPENDED JAIL SENTENCES FOR INSERTING METAL DISCS INTO PARKING METERS,+ HE SAID.

HE ALSO EMPHASISED THAT POLICE WILL CONTINUE THEIR EFFORTS TO PREVENT PEOPLE TAMPERING WITH PARKING METERS.

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### SMALL GROUP DISCUSSIONS TO IMPROVE COMMUNICATION

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STAFF FROM THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AND TEACHERS OF AIDED PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS WILL TAKE PART IN SMALL GROUP DISCUSSIONS TO BE HELD ON MARCH 30 TO FURTHER IMPROVE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE TWO PARTIES.

+SIMILAR DISCUSSIONS IN PREVIOUS YEARS HAVE PROVED TO BE A VALUABLE CHANNEL OF CONSULTATION, AND TEACHER REPRESENTATIVES TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS FREELY THE VIEWS OF THEIR COLLEAGUES ON VARIOUS TOPICS OF CONCERN,+ AN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE REPRESENTATIVES WERE GIVEN A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF CURRENT EDUCATIONAL POLICIES AND THEIR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT IN THE LIGHT OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN VARIOUS WHITE PAPERS ON EDUCATION.

RELEVANT SUGGESTIONS WERE ALSO CONVEYED TO THE HEADS OF SCHOOLS AND TO OTHER CONCERNED PARTIES AS APPROPRIATE, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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AS IN PREVIOUS YEARS THE DISCUSSIONS TO BE HELD ON MARCH 30 WILL BE CONDUCTED IN CANTONESE, AND EACH GROUP WILL BE CHAIRED BY A SENIOR OFFICER OF THE DEPARTMENT, HE SAID.

TEACHER REPRESENTATIVES ARE REQUESTED TO PROPOSE ANY TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION AND FORWARD THEM TO THE SENIOR EDUCATION OFFICER (SCHOOLS).

A SEPARATE LETTER LISTING THE TIME AND VENUE OF THE DISCUSSION SESSION WILL BE SENT TO THEM AT A LATER DATE.

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FIGHTING YOUTH CRIME. IMPORTANT ISSUE IN TUEN MUN  
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FIGHTING YOUTH CRIME IS BECOMING AN IMPORTANT ISSUE IN A FAST DEVELOPING NEW TOWN LIKE TUEN MUN, THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR BILLY LAM, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

MR LAM WAS SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT FIGHT YOUTH CRIME CARNIVAL.

+TUEN MUN IS DEVELOPING AT A REMARKABLY RAPID PACE,+ HE SAID.

+THE MAJORITY OF THE PEOPLE MOVING IN ARE YOUNG.

+IT IS JUST AS IMPORTANT TO PREVENT THEM FROM GOING ASTRAY AS TO PROVIDE THEM WITH SERVICES SUCH AS SCHOOLS, TRANSPORT AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES.+

QUOTING THE LATEST STATISTICS ON CRIME IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR LAM SAID THE OVERALL NUMBER OF REPORTED CRIMES HAD DECLINED FROM 1 664 CASES IN DECEMBER TO 1 629 CASES IN JANUARY, A DECREASE OF 35 CASES.

BUT CASES OF A MORE SERIOUS NATURE, HE SAID, HAD INCREASED SUBSTANTIALLY DURING THE SAME PERIOD. THE TOTAL NUMBER OF SUCH CASES HAD RISEN IN THE NEW TERRITORIES BY 68, WHILE THE INCREASE IN TUEN MUN HAD BEEN FROM 150 TO 159 CASES.

+IT IS OBVIOUS THAT THE LAW AND ORDER SITUATION IN OUR DISTRICT DESERVES MORE ATTENTION,+ MR LAM SAID.

+THIS IS NO LONGER MERELY A POLICE MATTER; IT IS TIME FOR ALL RESIDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN CRIME FIGHTING AND TO CONTRIBUTE TOWARDS BUILDING UP A HAPPY, COHESIVE AND HARMONIOUS COMMUNITY,+ HE SAID.

THE FOUR-HOUR CARNIVAL, ORGANISED BY TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD, THE DISTRICT'S JUNIOR POLICE CALL AND TUEN MUN FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE, WAS SPONSORED BY LOCAL LEADERS AND INCLUDED PERFORMANCES BY TELEVISION STARS AND WELL-KNOWN SINGERS.

ALSO ATTENDING WERE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HEUNG YEE KUK, MR LAU WONG-FAT; THE DISTRICT POLICE SUPERINTENDENT, MR JIM HURST; THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CARNIVAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR LIU TSZ-YUEN; AS WELL AS DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS AND LOCAL LEADERS.

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### NEW EFFORT FOR CLEANER CHEUNG CHAU

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TONS OF HOUSEHOLD REFUSE ON CHEUNG CHAU ARE NOW BEING MOVED OUT BY BARGE TO THE KWAI CHUNG INCINERATOR IN AN EXPERIMENTAL SCHEME TO IMPROVE THE ENVIRONMENT OF THE ISLAND.

+THE ISLAND CAN BECOME A SMOKE-FREE AREA IF THE NEW STEPS BEING TAKEN ARE SUCCESSFUL,+ A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY.

THE JOB OF MOVING BY BARGE HALF OF THE HOUSEHOLD REFUSE ON CHEUNG CHAU TO A TRANSFER STATION IN TSING YI, AND FROM THERE BY LORRY FOR INCINERATION AT THE KWAI CHUNG PLANT STARTED LAST MONTH, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE DAILY OUTPUT OF RUBBISH ON CHEUNG CHAU IS ABOUT 11 TONNES.

IN THE LAST FEW YEARS, THE NTSD HAS RELIED ON A SMALL RURAL TYPE OF INCINERATOR ON THE ISLAND TO BURN ALL OF THE REFUSE.

+WITH 40 000 RESIDENTS ON THE ISLAND, WE HAVE REACHED THE POINT WHERE WE MUST IMPROVE ON OUR TECHNIQUES,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE REMOVAL BY BARGES HELPS TO CUT-OUT SMOKE POLLUTION ON THE ISLAND.

+BUT IT IS LABOUR INTENSIVE AND COUPLED WITH HIGH TRANSPORT COSTS, IT BECOMES AN EXPENSIVE OPERATION,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

TO SAVE ON COSTS, THE NTSD WILL THEREFORE BE LOOKING AT A VARIETY OF TECHNIQUES AND EQUIPMENT TO HELP STREAMLINE THE HANDLING AND TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS INCLUDING PULVERISATION, SHREDDING, BALING COMPACTION AND CONTAINERISATION, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

+LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE PILOT SCHEME ON CHEUNG CHAU WILL ENABLE US TO DEVELOP A LONG-TERM STRATEGY FOR WASTE DISPOSAL FOR THE OUTLYING ISLANDS.

+WHATEVER APPROACH WE DECIDE TO ADOPT WILL PROBABLY BE A COMBINATION OF VARIOUS DISPOSAL METHODS, SO THAT OPERATIONAL FLEXIBILITY CAN BE MAINTAINED AND THERE IS NOT TOO GREAT A RELIANCE ON ANY SINGLE SYSTEM,+ HE SAID.

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### SHA TIN ANTI-NARCOTICS CAMPAIGN CLOSES

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SOME 1 000 RESIDENTS OF SHA TIN DISTRICT WERE THIS (SUNDAY) EVENING TREATED TO A TWO-HOUR POP CONCERT IN THE CARITAS MARDEN HALL, SHA TIN.

THE CONCERT MARKED THE END OF THE INTENSIVE THREE-WEEK ANTI-NARCOTICS CAMPAIGN JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE SHA TIN ANTI-NARCOTICS CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE AND THE ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS.

THE SHA TIN ANTI-NARCOTICS CAMPAIGN, WHICH WAS OPENED ON FEBRUARY 7 BY SIR ALBERT RODRIGUES, CHAIRMAN OF ACAN, IS THE FIRST OF ITS KIND TO BE HELD IN THE DISTRICT. ACAN PROVIDED \$150 000 TOWARDS CAMPAIGN EXPENSES WHILE THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD AND LOCAL RESIDENTS DONATED A FURTHER \$30 000.

UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF MR WAI HON-LEUNG, THE SHA TIN ANTI-NARCOTICS CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE ORGANISED NEARLY 30 EDUCATIONAL AND ENTERTAINMENT ACTIVITIES FOR THE 150 000 RESIDENTS DURING THE CAMPAIGN PERIOD, INCLUDING VARIETY SHOWS, EXHIBITIONS, SEMINAR CAMPS, FILM SHOWS, SCHOOL TALKS, AND A DISCO-NIGHT.

A MASSIVE ANTI-DRUG PUBLICITY EFFORT WAS CARRIED OUT IN THE DISTRICT, AND HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF OPEN LETTERS, BANNERS, POSTERS, LEAFLETS AND BOOKMARKS WERE DISTRIBUTED.

TONIGHT'S CONCERT WAS PRODUCED BY NTN PRODUCTIONS, SPONSORED BY TOM LEE PIANO CO. LTD. AND SOUNDS UNLIMITED.

PERFORMING IN THE CONCERT WERE SEVERAL HONG KONG'S TOP SINGERS, INCLUDING JOHNNY YIP, PHILIP CHAN, PANG KIN-SUN, ROWENA CORTES, BRENDA LO AND TINA LAU.

GUESTS ATTENDING THE CONCERT INCLUDED MR WAI HON-LEUNG, CHAIRMAN OF THE CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE; MR NG CHAN-LAM, VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE; MR PETER LEE, COMMISSIONER FOR NARCOTICS; AND DR PATRICK HASE, DISTRICT OFFICER, SHA TIN.

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#### SHA TIN CHARITY WALK

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THE LAST OF THE NEW TERRITORIES COMMUNITY CHEST WALKS FOR 1981/82 WAS STARTED BY THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR IAN MACPHERSON, AT SHA TIN TODAY (SUNDAY).

SOME 2 500 PEOPLE TOOK PART IN THE 12-KILOMETRE WALK WHICH BEGAN AND ENDED AT THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB PUBLIC SPORTSGROUND.

AMONG THOSE OFFICIATING AT THE RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY WERE THE DISTRICT POLICE COMMANDER (NEW TERRITORIES), MR MIKE ILLINGWORTH; THE DISTRICT OFFICER, DR PATRICK HASE; THE VICE-CHANCELLOR OF HONG KONG CHINESE UNIVERSITY, DR MA LIN; AND LOCAL LEADERS.

THE TARGET FOR THE WALK IS \$150 000.

SO FAR, THE COMMUNITY CHEST HAS HELD FOUR WALKS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES AND RAISED OVER \$2.4 MILLION. MORE THAN 13 000 PEOPLE HAVE TAKEN PART.

LAST YEAR, EIGHT OF THE 11 CHEST WALKS WERE HELD IN THE NEW TERRITORIES AND \$2.41 MILLION WAS RAISED.

A KOWLOON WALK WILL TAKE PLACE ON MARCH 7.

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CLEARWATER BAY ROAD IMPROVEMENT

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THE HIGHWAYS OFFICE OF THE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE WIDENING OF A SECTION OF CLEARWATER BAY ROAD BETWEEN HIRAM'S HIGHWAY AND HANG HAU ROAD.

THE PROJECT FORMS THE FINAL PART OF AN OVERALL SCHEME TO IMPROVE TRAFFIC CONDITIONS IN CLEARWATER BAY ROAD BETWEEN ANDERSON ROAD AND HANG HAU ROAD.

THE WORK INVOLVES THE WIDENING OF THE EXISTING CARRIAGEWAY BETWEEN HIRAM'S HIGHWAY AND SHAW'S STUDIO WITH FOOTPATHS ON EITHER SIDE AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF A CLIMBING LANE AND A FOOTPATH FOR THE SECTION BETWEEN SHAW'S STUDIO AND HANG HAU ROAD.

WORK WILL COMMENCE IN MAY AND TAKE 18 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

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