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FIRST NT SPORTS FESTIVAL TO START NEXT MONTH
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THE FIRST EVER SPORTS FESTIVAL IN THE NEW TERRITORIES WILL BE HELD IN TSUEN WAN NEXT MONTH.

ANNOUNCING THIS TODAY (MONDAY), THE TSUEN WAN TOWN MANAGER, MR. JAMES HAYES, SAID HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 14-DAY FESTIVAL, WHICH STARTS ON NOVEMBER 3, WILL BE EXHIBITION MATCHES BY TOP PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL AND TENNIS PLAYERS.

+A TOTAL OF 31 EVENTS HAVE BEEN ARRANGED,+ HE SAID. +BESIDES FOOTBALL AND TENNIS, OTHER SPORTS INCLUDED ARE BASKETBALL, BADMINTON, BOXING, VOLLEYBALL, BASEBALL, HANDBALL AND TABLE TENNIS. ALSO FEATURED WILL BE ATHLETICS, AQUATIC EVENTS, GYMNASTIC AND MARTIAL ARTS DISPLAYS, AND AN ARCHERY DEMONSTRATION.+

MR. HAYES SAID ADMITTANCE TO ALL BUT THREE OF THE EVENTS IS FREE AND LARGE LOCAL CROWDS ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND.

THE FESTIVAL IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD, THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT, THE RECREATION AND SPORT SERVICE AND THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT RECREATION AND SPORTS ASSOCIATION.

MR. HAYES SAID THE IDEA OF THE FESTIVAL WAS THREE-FOLD -- TO INCREASE ALREADY WIDE LOCAL INTEREST IN SPORT, TO RAISE SPORTING STANDARDS AND TO HELP PROMOTE A SENSE OF BELONGING AND INTEGRATION AMONG NEW COMERS.

HE SAID A GREAT MANY NEW RECREATIONAL AND SPORTS FACILITIES HAD BEEN PROVIDED TO MATCH A GROWTH IN POPULATION FROM 85 000 IN 1961 TO 600 000 AT PRESENT.

HE NOTED THE TOWN NOW HAS THREE SPORTS GROUNDS AND ONE LARGE SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX, AND A STEADILY GROWING NUMBER OF FOOTBALL PITCHES, BASKETBALL COURTS, AND SQUASH AND TENNIS COURTS. AN INDOOR GAMES HALL IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN KWAI CHUNG AND MANY OTHER NEW PROJECTS ARE IN THE ACTIVE PLANNING STAGE, INCLUDING TWO MORE SWIMMING POOL COMPLEXES.

MR. HAYES SAID THAT IN ADDITION TO PERMANENT FACILITIES, FUNDS HAD BEEN MADE AVAILABLE FROM THE LOCAL DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD TO INTRODUCE TEMPORARY SPORTS FACILITIES WHERE POSSIBLE.

WHILE SPORTS FACILITIES IN TSUEN WAN HAD BEEN INCREASING IN TYPE AND SCOPE, HE SAID, THEIR FULL UTILISATION WAS NOT POSSIBLE WITHOUT THE ENTHUSIASTIC PROMOTION OF SPORTS AND ORGANISED GAMES +BY THE BODY OF INTERESTED, COMPETENT AND KNOWLEDGEABLE PEOPLE WHO BELONG TO OUR LOCAL CLUBS AND ASSOCIATIONS.+

THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR. DAVID AKERS-JONES, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE FESTIVAL TO BE HELD AT YEUNG UK ROAD SPORTS GROUND ON NOVEMBER 3. IMMEDIATELY AFTERWARDS, THE FIRST EXHIBITION FOOTBALL MATCH BETWEEN YUEN LONG AND HAPPY VALLEY WILL TAKE PLACE.

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THE SECOND MATCH, AT THE SAME VENUE, WILL BE BETWEEN KUI TAN AND CAROLINE HILL ON NOVEMBER 10.

THE EXHIBITION TENNIS MATCHES WILL INVOLVE PLAYERS AT PRESENT COMPETING IN THE HONG KONG TENNIS CLASSIC. THEY WILL BE PLAYED AT SHA TSUI ROAD TENNIS COURTS ON NOVEMBER 9. THE NAMES OF THE FOUR PLAYERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED LATER.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE FESTIVAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, MR. CHAU HOW-CHEN, SAID THE FESTIVAL WAS +ONLY THE BEGINNING+ AND THAT WITH CONTINUED PUBLIC BACKING HE WAS CONFIDENT IT WOULD BECOME A PERMANENT FEATURE OF THE NEW TOWN'S SPORTING CALENDAR.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

SHA TO OFFICIATE AT KAIFONG DAY CELEBRATION

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THE SECRETARY FOR HOME AFFAIRS, MR. F.K. LI WILL OFFICIATE AT A CEREMONY MARKING THE 30TH KAIFONG DAY TOMORROW (TUESDAY) AT 7.30 P.M. AT THE CITY HALL RESTAURANT.

THE FUNCTION, WHICH IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY 64 KAIFONG ASSOCIATIONS, WILL BE ATTENDED BY MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCILS, URBAN COUNCIL, CIVIC LEADERS, REPRESENTATIVES OF KAIFONG BODIES, VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS AND GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS.

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND A REPRESENTATIVE TO COVER THE CEREMONY.

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TEMPORARY MARKET TO BE BUILT IN MONG KOK

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THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A TEMPORARY MARKET AND HAWKER CENTRE AT TONG MEI ROAD AND A COOKED-FOOD CENTRE AT MONG KOK ROAD IN KOWLOON.

THE TEMPORARY MARKET AND HAWKER CENTRE, LOCATED AT THE JUNCTION OF TONG MEI ROAD AND ARGYLE STREET, WILL HAVE EIGHT MARKET STALLS AND 143 MINI-STALLS, WITH SUBSIDIARY FACILITIES SUCH AS AN OFFICE, A VEGETABLE WASHING ROOM, STORES AND PUBLIC TOILETS.

THE COOKED-FOOD CENTRE AT THE JUNCTION OF MONG KOK ROAD AND BUTE STREET WILL ACCOMMODATE 32 STALLS AND SUPPORTING FACILITIES, INCLUDING AN OFFICE AND STORE ROOMS.

A PWD SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (MONDAY) THAT THE CONTRACT WOULD BE CARRIED OUT IN THREE STAGES.

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WORK ON THE TEMPORARY MARKET AND HAWKER CENTRE WILL BEGIN IN DECEMBER AND WILL TAKE ABOUT THREE MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

THIS WILL BE FOLLOWED BY THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE COOKED-FOOD CENTRE IN MAY, AND IT IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN JUNE NEXT YEAR.

THE FINAL STAGE WILL INVOLVE THE DEMOLITION OF THE EXISTING MONG KOK HAWKER BAZAAR.

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ONE MAIL DELIVERY ON CHUNG YEUNG FESTIVAL
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THE POST OFFICE ANNOUNCED TODAY (MONDAY) THAT THERE WILL BE ONE DELIVERY OF MAIL ON OCTOBER 29 WHICH IS A GENERAL HOLIDAY.

ON THAT DAY, 32 POST OFFICES INCLUDING THE GENERAL POST OFFICE ON HONG KONG ISLAND, THE KOWLOON CENTRAL AND TSIM SHA TSUI POST OFFICES IN KOWLOON AND THE TSUEN WAN AND TAI PO POST OFFICES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES WILL BE OPEN FOR BUSINESS FROM 9 A.M. TO NOON.

ALL OTHER POST OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN KWAI CHUNG
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (MONDAY) THAT A NUMBER OF TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN KWAI CHUNG TOMORROW (TUESDAY) MORNING TO FACILITATE EMERGENCY ROAD WORKS.

STARTING FROM 10 A.M., KWAI HONG STREET AND THE SOUTHERN ARM OF KWAI FUNG CRESCENT (THE SECTION BETWEEN CONTAINER PORT ROAD AND MARVEL INDUSTRIAL BUILDING AT 17-23 OF THE ROAD) WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC.

OTHER NEW ARRANGEMENTS ARE:

- * KWAI TAK STREET WILL BE ROUTED ONE WAY NORTHBOUND FROM KWAI TAI ROAD TO KWAI SHUN STREET-
- * KWAI SHUN STREET WILL BE ROUTED ONE WAY SOUTHBOUND FROM KWAI TAK STREET TO CONTAINER PORT ROAD- AND
- * THE NORTHERN ARM OF KWAI FUNG CRESCENT WILL BE RE-ROUTED FROM ONE WAY WESTBOUND TO TWO WAY TRAFFIC.

MEANWHILE, KWAI TAK STREET, KWAI SHUN STREET AND THE NORTHERN ARM OF KWAI FUNG CRESCENT WILL BE RESTRICTED TO MOTORISTS REQUIRING ACCESS TO PREMISES IN THESE STREETS.

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE SET UP TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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