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IMPROVED EDUCATION WILL PROVIDE BETTER MATRICULANTS: CS

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THE GOVERNMENT BELIEVES THAT CONCERTED EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF EDUCATION IN THE SCHOOL SYSTEM WILL LEAD TO BETTER MATRICULANTS FOR TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS AND ENABLE YOUNG PEOPLE TO BE BETTER EQUIPPED FOR THE CHALLENGE AHEAD, THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR DAVID FORD, SAID TODAY (MONDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE NAMING CEREMONY OF THE RUN RUN SHAW LIBRARY OF THE CITY POLYTECHNIC OF HONG KONG, SIR DAVID SPOKE OF THE INITIATIVES THE GOVERNMENT WAS PURSUING TO COMPLEMENT THE QUANTUM LEAP IN TERTIARY EDUCATION AND TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF EDUCATION IN THE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

SIR DAVID POINTED OUT THAT THERE WOULD BE A NEW SIXTH FORM CURRICULUM AVAILABLE BY SEPTEMBER 1992, WHICH WOULD BE A BROADER AND MORE FLEXIBLE CURRICULUM DESIGNED TO GIVE STUDENTS A MORE LIBERAL PREPARATION FOR LIFE.

HE ALSO SAID A NEW DIRECT SUBSIDY SCHEME WOULD BE INTRODUCED TO INCREASE PARENTAL CHOICE AND TO ENCOURAGE VARIETY AND FLEXIBILITY IN THE EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM.

"PRIVATE OR AIDED SCHOOLS WHICH JOIN THE SCHEME WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE, BUT WILL BE ABLE TO RETAIN CONSIDERABLE FREEDOM IN DECIDING ON CURRICULUM, FEES AND SELECTION OF PUPILS.

"WE HOPE THAT IN TIME THIS WILL LEAD TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF A STRONG PRIVATE SCHOOLS SECTOR," HE SAID.

THE CHIEF SECRETARY SAID THE EDUCATION COMMISSION WAS REVIEWING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE SCHOOL CURRICULUM AND WOULD BE CONSIDERING MEASURES TO ASSIST STUDENTS WITH DIFFERENT ACADEMIC ABILITIES, FOR WHOM THE NORMAL CURRICULUM MIGHT NOT BE SUITABLE.

THE COMMISSION WOULD ALSO LOOK AT THE NEED FOR ATTAINMENT TESTS, SIR DAVID SAID.

"WITH THE PROGRESSIVE ABOLITION OF PUBLIC EXAMINATIONS, THE TIME HAS COME FOR US TO ASK OURSELVES WHAT STANDARDS WE EXPECT OUR STUDENTS, TEACHERS AND SCHOOLS TO ACHIEVE AND TO HAVE SOME OBJECTIVE MEASURES OF ASSESSING THEIR PERFORMANCE AGAINST THESE STANDARDS," HE SAID.

SIR DAVID SAID LANGUAGE WAS ANOTHER KEY QUESTION AFFECTING THE QUALITY OF EDUCATION, AND THE RECENT EDUCATION DEPARTMENT REPORT ON LANGUAGE IMPROVEMENT MEASURES HAD MADE EXTENSIVE RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE TEACHING AND LEARNING OF LANGUAGES IN SCHOOLS AND ON THE GOVERNMENT'S POLICY ON THE MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION.

/"IN DECIDING .....

"IN DECIDING ON THE WAY FORWARD, WE WILL CONSIDER VERY CAREFULLY THE VIEWS OF THE PUBLIC AND OF THE EDUCATION SECTOR," HE SAID.

POINTING OUT THAT THE CITY POLYTECHNIC AND THE OTHER ACCREDITED INSTITUTIONS WERE CENTRAL IN THE GOVERNMENT'S DECISION TO DOUBLE TERTIARY EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES TO PROVIDE FIRST YEAR FIRST DEGREE PLACES FOR 18 PER CENT OF THE RELEVANT AGE GROUP BY 1995, SIR DAVID SAID: "MUCH REMAINS TO BE DONE, BUT I HAVE NO DOUBT THAT OUR TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS WITH THEIR EXCELLENT TRACK RECORD WILL RISE TO THE CHALLENGE."

SIR DAVID SAID STUDENTS OF THE CITY POLYTECHNIC WOULD ALL BENEFIT FROM THE FINE FACILITIES OF THE RUN RUN SHAW LIBRARY.

NOTING THE HI-TECH INFORMATION SYSTEMS OF THE LIBRARY, SIR DAVID SAID PERHAPS ONE DAY WE WOULD HAVE A LIBRARY WITHOUT BOOKS AND ONLY COMPUTER SCREENS AND KEYBOARDS INSTEAD OF RECORDING KNOWLEDGE ON SCROLLS AND PARCHMENT.

HE POINTED OUT THAT LIBRARIES OCCUPIED A CENTRAL POSITION IN ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS AS THE PLACE WHERE THE CUMULATIVE WISDOM OF RESEARCH AND KNOWLEDGE WAS READILY AVAILABLE TO HELP IN THE FURTHER PURSUIT OF ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE.

OBSERVING THAT TO INVEST IN THE NEXT GENERATION WAS TO INVEST IN THE FUTURE OF HONG KONG, HE SAID HE WAS VERY ENCOURAGED THAT IN PURSUING THIS OUR ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS SO OFTEN ENJOYED THE WHOLE HEARTED SUPPORT OF LEADERS IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR.

SIR DAVID PAID A SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO SIR RUN RUN WHO, OVER THE YEARS, HAD CONTRIBUTED GENEROUSLY TO THE TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND THE ARTS, AND HAD DEVOTED MUCH OF THE TIME TO OTHER CHARITABLE INITIATIVES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COMMUNITY.

"I ALSO WISH TO CONGRATULATE THE CITY POLYTECHNIC FOR ITS ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE LAST SIX YEARS AND LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING ITS GRADUATES SERVING HONG KONG IN YEARS TO COME," HE SAID.

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PARLIAMENT TO DEBATE NATIONALITY SCHEME AFTER EASTER

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THE SCHEME TO GIVE 50,000 HONG KONG FAMILIES BRITISH NATIONALITY WILL BE DEBATED IN PARLIAMENT SOON AFTER EASTER, THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR DAVID FORD, SAID TODAY (MONDAY).

SPEAKING TO REPORTERS AFTER OFFICIATING AT THE NAMING CEREMONY OF RUN RUN SHAW LIBRARY OF THE CITY POLYTECHNIC, SIR DAVID SAID HE HAD DISCUSSED THE WHOLE QUESTION WITH THE BRITISH HOME OFFICE PARLIAMENTARY UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE, MR PETER LLOYD, THIS MORNING.

/"HE CONFIRMED .....

"HE CONFIRMED THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS DETERMINED TO GO AHEAD WITH THE SCHEME THAT IT WILL BE DEBATED IN PARLIAMENT SOON AFTER EASTER AND WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT THE MINISTERS WILL BE ABLE TO SEE IT THROUGH PARLIAMENT," SIR DAVID SAID.

ASKED IF THERE HAS BEEN A DELAY IN TABLING THE BILL IN PARLIAMENT, THE CHIEF SECRETARY SAID: "I DON'T THINK THERE IS EVER A CHANCE THAT IT IS GOING TO BE DEBATED BEFORE EASTER. IT COULD BE TABLED STILL BEFORE EASTER BUT THE EARLIEST TIME IT CAN BE DEBATED IS AFTER EASTER. SO THERE IS NO QUESTION OF DELAY."

REPLYING TO ANOTHER QUESTION, SIR DAVID SAID IT REMAINED THE GOVERNMENT'S POSITION THAT WE HAD NO INTENTION OF ALLOWING HONG KONG TO BE USED AS A BASE FOR SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITY AGAINST CHINA.

"NEVERTHELESS THE FREEDOMS WHICH ARE SO INHERENT TO HONG KONG AND ITS WAY OF LIFE WILL BE PRESERVED," HE ADDED.

ASKED IF THE GOVERNMENT WOULD TAKE ANY FURTHER ACTION TO ALLAY CHINA'S FEAR, SIR DAVID SAID HE DIDN'T THINK THAT WOULD BE NECESSARY AS WE HAD MADE OUR POSITION VERY CLEAR A NUMBER OF TIMES IN THE PAST.

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#### HK COMMITTEE FOR PACIFIC ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION SET UP

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A HONG KONG COMMITTEE FOR PACIFIC ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION (HKCPEC) HAS BEEN SET UP TO ADVISE GOVERNMENT ON MATTERS RELATING TO HONG KONG'S PARTICIPATION IN THE PACIFIC ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION CONFERENCE (PECC) AND TO CO-ORDINATE HONG KONG'S INPUT TO THE CONFERENCE.

SPEAKING AFTER THE FIRST MEETING OF THE HKCPEC TODAY (MONDAY), THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY AND CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE, MR JOSEPH WONG WING-PING, SAID HONG KONG SUBSCRIBED FULLY TO THE PECC OBJECTIVE OF PROMOTING ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION AMONG THE ECONOMIES IN THE PACIFIC REGION SO AS TO BRING ABOUT GREATER ECONOMIC BENEFITS AND TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE STABILITY AND PROSPERITY OF THE REGION.

"THE COMMITTEE HAS AGREED THAT IT SHOULD PARTICIPATE FULLY IN THE ACTIVITIES OF THE PECC AND TAKE NECESSARY STEPS TOWARDS ATTAINING THIS OBJECTIVE," MR WONG SAID.

"AS THE 11TH LARGEST TRADING ENTITY IN THE WORLD, A STAUNCH FREE TRADER, A SEPARATE CONTRACTING PARTY TO THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE AND, MORE IMPORTANTLY, AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE REGIONAL ECONOMY, WE FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT HONG KONG SHOULD HAVE A CONTRIBUTION TO MAKE AND A ROLE TO PLAY IN REGIONAL ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION," HE ADDED.

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MR WONG SAID HONG KONG HAD PARTICIPATED IN VARIOUS ACTIVITIES OF PECC AND ATTENDED AS AN OBSERVER AT THE SEVENTH GENERAL MEETING OF THE ORGANISATION IN AUCKLAND LAST NOVEMBER.

THE HONG KONG COMMITTEE IS APPOINTED BY THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY, SIR PIERS JACOBS, AND STRUCTURED ON A TRIPARTITE BASIS, COMPRISING LEADING REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE BUSINESS AND ACADEMIC SECTORS AND FROM WITHIN THE GOVERNMENT.

PARTICIPATING FROM THE GOVERNMENT SECTOR ARE THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY, MR JOSEPH WONG WING-PING, WHO IS CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE; THE GOVERNMENT ECONOMIST, MR TANG KWONG-YIU; AND THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF TRADE, MR MATTHEW CHEUNG KIN-CHUNG.

MEMBERS FROM THE BUSINESS SECTOR ARE MR PAUL CHENG, DIRECTOR OF INCHCAPE PACIFIC LTD; DR RAYMOND CHIEN, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF LAM SOON HONG KONG GROUP; MR EDWARD LEUNG, CHIEF ECONOMIST OF STANDARD CHARTERED BANK; AND MRS ELEANOR LING, DIRECTOR OF JARDINE PACIFIC LTD.

MEMBERS FROM THE ACADEMIC SECTOR ARE PROFESSOR EDWARD CHEN, DIRECTOR OF THE CENTRE OF ASIAN STUDIES, UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG; DR LIU PAK-WAI, SENIOR LECTURER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS, CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG; AND PROFESSOR YEUNG YUE-MAN OF THE DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY, CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG.

PECC IS A NON-GOVERNMENT ORGANISATION SET UP IN 1980 COMPRISING 15 MEMBER COMMITTEES FROM AUSTRALIA, BRUNEI, CANADA, CHINA, INDONESIA, JAPAN, KOREA, MALAYSIA, NEW ZEALAND, THE PACIFIC ISLAND NATIONS, THE PHILIPPINES, SINGAPORE, TAIWAN (STYLED AS CHINESE-TAIPEI), THAILAND AND THE USA.

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COMPUTERISED ACCESS CONTROL TO BE INSTALLED AT AIRPORT CARPARKS

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THE FIVE CARPARKS SERVING THE HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT WILL SHORTLY BE GREATLY IMPROVED AS A RESULT OF THE INSTALLATION OF COMPUTERISED ACCESS CONTROL AND FEE COMPUTING EQUIPMENT.

THIS IS PART OF AN AGREEMENT REACHED BETWEEN THE CIVIL AVIATION DEPARTMENT AND A PRIVATE CARPARK MANAGEMENT COMPANY TO IMPROVE THE OPERATION AND EFFICIENCY OF THE CARPARKS.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (MONDAY) THAT AS A RESULT OF A PUBLIC TENDER EXERCISE, WILSON PARKING (HONG KONG) LTD HAD BEEN SELECTED TO MANAGE THE CARPARKS FOR A FIVE-YEAR TERM COMMENCING APRIL 1 THIS YEAR.

/THE SPOKESMAN .....

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE SUCCESSFUL TENDERER HAD BEEN CHOSEN ON THE BASIS OF ITS MANAGEMENT PROPOSALS.

UNDER THE TERMS OF AGREEMENT, THE COMPANY WILL INSTALL COMPUTERISED ACCESS CONTROL AND FEE COMPUTING EQUIPMENT AT ALL CARPARKS. THE CIVIL AVIATION DEPARTMENT WILL PAY A MONTHLY MANAGEMENT FEE IN REIMBURSEMENT OF OPERATIONAL AND EQUIPMENT EXPENSES.

"THE DEPARTMENT WILL RECEIVE ALL REVENUE FROM THE OPERATION OF THE CARPARKS AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SETTING OF CAR PARKING CHARGES AT THE FIVE CARPARKS," THE SPOKESMAN STRESSED.

"THE CARPARKS AT THE AIRPORT WILL STILL REMAIN UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE CIVIL AVIATION DEPARTMENT.

"THEY WILL SIMPLY BE OPERATED ON OUR BEHALF WITH A BETTER SERVICE AND AUTOMATED EQUIPMENT BEING PROVIDED," HE ADDED.

THE FIVE CARPARKS ARE THE MULTI-STOREY CARPARK SERVING THE PASSENGER TERMINAL, A LARGE OPEN-AIR CARPARK IN CONCORDE ROAD AND THREE CARPARKS IN CARGO CIRCUIT SERVING THE AIR CARGO TERMINAL.

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#### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP PROBATIONERS

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RESIDENTS INTERESTED IN THE REHABILITATION OF OFFENDERS ARE INVITED TO TAKE PART IN THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT'S VOLUNTEER SCHEME FOR PROBATIONERS.

A SPOKESMAN OF SWD SAID TODAY (MONDAY) THAT THE SCHEME WAS SET UP IN 1976 TO PROMOTE THE PUBLIC'S AWARENESS AND PARTICIPATION IN HELPING OFFENDERS.

"THE VOLUNTEERS ARE EXPECTED TO ASSIST PROBATIONERS IN ACTIVITIES WHICH REQUIRE NO PROFESSIONAL SKILLS," HE SAID.

"THE RANGE OF SERVICES INCLUDES HELPING PROBATIONERS WHO HAVE PROBLEMS WITH SCHOOL WORK, GUIDING THEM IN THE PROPER USE OF LEISURE TIME AND DIRECTING THEIR INTEREST INTO WHOLESOME SOCIAL, CULTURAL AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES, PROVIDING FRIENDSHIP ESPECIALLY TO PROBATIONERS WITHOUT FAMILY SUPPORT AND GUIDANCE, AS WELL AS SHARING WITH THEM PRACTICAL KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE."

THE VOLUNTEERS SHOULD PREFERABLY BE AGED 21 OR ABOVE, OF SECONDARY SCHOOL EDUCATION STANDARD, MATURE IN PERSONALITY AND WILLING TO MAKE FRIENDS WITH LAW OFFENDERS.

THEY SHOULD ALSO BE WILLING TO SACRIFICE THEIR LEISURE TIME TO SERVE OTHERS WITHOUT MONETARY REWARD.

"NEWLY RECRUITED VOLUNTEERS WILL BE GIVEN A TRAINING AND ORIENTATION COURSE BEFORE STARTING THEIR SERVICES," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"THEY WILL NOT HAVE TO TAKE OVER THE LEGAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF PROBATION OFFICERS," HE ADDED.

NOTING THAT THE PERIOD OF SERVICE IS NORMALLY SIX MONTHS SUBJECT TO EXTENSION, HE SAID A VOLUNTEER WHO HAS SATISFACTORILY COMPLETED THE SIX-MONTH ASSIGNMENT WILL BE AWARDED A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION AT AN ANNUAL CERTIFICATE PRESENTATION CEREMONY.

FORMER PARTICIPANTS OF THE SCHEME ARE WELCOMED TO APPLY AGAIN.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT PROBATION OFFICES ATTACHED TO MAGISTRACIES AND THE CENTRE FOR THE VOLUNTEER SCHEME FOR PROBATIONERS ON THE 19TH FLOOR, WORLD TRADE CENTRE, 280 GLOUCESTER ROAD, CAUSEWAY BAY.

COMPLETED FORMS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE VSP CENTRE ON OR BEFORE APRIL 19.

FURTHER ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE SCHEME CAN BE MADE TO MISS CHENG WING-SEUNG ON TEL. 895 4190.

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#### SURVEY ON MOTORISTS' CHOICE OF ROUTEING

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THE HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT WILL BEGIN THIS WEEK A MONTH-LONG SURVEY ON MOTORISTS' CHOICE OF ROUTEING IN MAKING THEIR JOURNEYS.

MOTORISTS ARE REQUESTED TO CO-OPERATE AND PARTICIPATE IN THE SURVEY WHICH WILL BE CONDUCTED FROM THURSDAY (MARCH 22) TO APRIL 18 ON HONG KONG ISLAND.

A HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN TODAY (MONDAY) SAID SURVEY CHECK POINTS WOULD BE SET UP AT CERTAIN LOCATIONS INCLUDING POK FU LAM ROAD, WONG NAI CHUNG GAP ROAD, AND THE TOLL PLAZA OF ABERDEEN TUNNEL.

"WHEN VEHICLES ARE REQUESTED TO STOP AT THE CHECK POINTS, DRIVERS AND PASSENGERS (IN THE CASE OF A TAXI) WILL BE REQUESTED TO ANSWER A FEW QUESTIONS ON AN ENTIRELY VOLUNTARY BASIS REGARDING THE ORIGIN, DESTINATION AND PURPOSE OF THEIR JOURNEYS.

"NO PERSONAL PARTICULARS WILL BE ASKED. EACH INTERVIEW WILL BE COMPLETED WITHIN A MUNUTE OR SO," HE SAID.

HE ADDED THAT SIGNS WOULD BE ERECTED AT THE CHECK POINTS TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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TRANSPORT WHITE PAPER ON DB COMMITTEE AGENDA

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REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT WILL BRIEF MEMBERS OF THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE ON THE WHITE PAPER "MOVING INTO THE 21ST CENTURY", AT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

DISCUSSION WILL FOCUS ON THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE WHITE PAPER ON THE TERRITORY'S FUTURE TRANSPORT POLICY.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE TO BE HELD TOMORROW (TUESDAY) IN THE DB CONFERENCE ROOM, THIRD FLOOR, TUEN MUN GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 1 TUEN HI ROAD, TUEN MUN.

THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM.

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WAN CHAI TRAFFIC STUDY COMMISSIONED

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT HAS COMMISSIONED A DISTRICT-WIDE TRANSPORT STUDY IN WAN CHAI WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF DETERMINING IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES.

THE \$3 MILLION CONTRACT FOR THE STUDY WAS SIGNED TODAY (MONDAY) BY THE ACTING COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT, MR PANG HAU-CHUNG, AND A REPRESENTATIVE OF MVA CONSULTANCY.

THE STUDY COVERS THE WHOLE OF WAN CHAI WHICH EXTENDS FROM QUEENSWAY TO LAI TAK CHUEN AND FROM THE HARBOUR COASTLINE TO WONG NAI CHUNG GAP. IT WILL COMMENCE NEXT MONTH AND WILL TAKE ABOUT 15 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

THE IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES WILL COVER NEW TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE, TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT, PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT OPERATIONS.

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ACTION ON UNAUTHORISED BUILDING WORKS

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THE BUILDING AUTHORITY IS SEEKING TO CLOSE CERTAIN UNAUTHORISED BUILDING WORKS IN TAIKOO SHING SO THAT THEY CAN BE DEMOLISHED WITHOUT DANGER TO THE OCCUPANTS AND TO THE PUBLIC.

THE UNAUTHORISED BUILDING WORKS ARE ON ROOFS B, C, E, AND F OF LOONG SHAN MANSION, KAO SHAN TERRACE, 21 TAIKOO SHING ROAD.

THE CLOSURE FORMS PART OF AN EXERCISE TO ENFORCE ORDERS ISSUED UNDER THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE IN MARCH LAST YEAR REQUIRING THE DEMOLITION OF THE BUILDING WORKS.

NOTICES OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR CLOSURE ORDERS FROM THE HONG KONG DISTRICT COURT ON APRIL 3 WERE POSTED ON CONSPICUOUS PARTS OF THE PREMISES TODAY (MONDAY).

IT IS EXPECTED THAT DEMOLITION WILL START IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CLOSURE ORDERS ARE MADE.

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WATER STORAGE FIGURE

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STORAGE IN HONG KONG'S RESERVOIRS AT 9 AM TODAY (MONDAY) STOOD AT 39.3 PER CENT OF CAPACITY OR 230.632 MILLION CUBIC METRES.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR THE RESERVOIRS CONTAINED 203.130 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF WATER, REPRESENTING 34.7 PER CENT OF CAPACITY.

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WATER CUT IN SHAM SHUI PO

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN SHAM SHUI PO WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 11 PM ON WEDNESDAY (MARCH 21) TO 6 AM THE NEXT DAY TO FACILITATE LEAKAGE TESTS.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT CERTAIN PREMISES BOUNDED BY TAI PO ROAD, NAM CHEONG STREET, WOH CHAI STREET AND PAK TIN STREET, INCLUDING NOS. 180-230 TAI PO ROAD, NOS. 203-213 NAM CHEONG STREET, NOS. 43-61 BERWICK STREET, NOS. 134-138 AND 197-209 PEI HO STREET, AND BLOCKS 25-44 AND MEI HO HOUSE OF SHEK KIP MEI ESTATE.

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TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENT IN TSIM SHA TSUI

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT TO FACILITATE THE DEMOLITION OF A FOOTBRIDGE IN KOWLOON PARK DRIVE, TWO ROAD SECTIONS IN TSIM SHA TSUI WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 1 AM TO 6 AM ON WEDNESDAY (MARCH 21) FOR TWO NIGHTS.

THEY ARE KOWLOON PARK DRIVE BETWEEN SUN PLAZA AND CANTON ROAD; AND PEKING ROAD BETWEEN ASHLEY ROAD AND KOWLOON PARK DRIVE.

DURING THE CLOSURE, MOTORISTS ON PEKING ROAD HEADING FOR CANTON ROAD WILL BE DIVERTED VIA KOWLOON PARK DRIVE SOUTHBOUND, SALISBURY ROAD EASTBOUND, CHATHAM ROAD NORTHBOUND, AUSTIN ROAD WESTBOUND WHILE THOSE HEADING FOR SALISBURY ROAD ARE ADVISED TO USE CANTON ROAD.

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