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CUSTOMERS HAPPY WITH GOVERNMENT SERVICES
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MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE GENERALLY SATISFIED WITH THE SERVICES PROVIDED BY GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, ACCORDING TO CUSTOMER OPINION SURVEYS CONDUCTED AT A NUMBER OF GOVERNMENT OFFICES.

OF THE 112 CUSTOMERS INTERVIEWED AT THE MONG KOK POST OFFICE, 85.7 PER CENT FOUND THE SERVICES SATISFACTORY.

IN THE CASE OF THE OUTPATIENTS DEPARTMENT OF TANG SHIU KIN HOSPITAL, 92.5 PER CENT OF THE 120 INTERVIEWED WERE SATISFIED WITH THE SERVICES PROVIDED.

AND AT THE IMMIGRATION OFFICE IN SHAM SHUI PO, MANAGEMENT AND STAFF AT THE OFFICE WERE HAPPY TO FIND OUT THAT 90 PER CENT OF THE 250 CUSTOMERS INTERVIEWED FOUND THEIR SERVICES SATISFACTORY.

+ALTHOUGH THE RESULTS ARE MOST ENCOURAGING, THE CIVIL SERVICE HAS AND WILL ALWAYS STRIVE TO IMPROVE THE EFFICIENCY, PRODUCTIVITY AND QUALITY OF THE SERVICE PROVIDED TO THE PUBLIC,+ A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID.

+CUSTOMERS AND STAFF WERE ASKED HOW SERVICES COULD BE IMPROVED FURTHER, AND A NUMBER OF CONSTRUCTIVE SUGGESTIONS WERE MADE. THOSE WHICH WERE STRAIGHTFORWARD WERE INTRODUCED IMMEDIATELY. OTHER IDEAS WHICH WERE FOUND TO BE PRACTICABLE BUT WHICH INVOLVED MORE FUNDAMENTAL CHANGES SUCH AS STRUCTURAL ALTERATIONS TO BUILDING, ARE IN THE PIPELINE,+ HE SAID.

IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE DEPARTMENTS WILL CONDUCT FURTHER SURVEYS PERIODICALLY TO GAUGE PUBLIC REACTION TO THE STANDARD OF SERVICE PROVIDED.

THE DECISION TO CONDUCT THE STUDIES WAS ANNOUNCED IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL IN APRIL THIS YEAR BY THE SECRETARY FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE, WHO SAID THE TIME HAD COME FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE TO LAY STRESS ON QUALITY AT THE POINT OF DELIVERY OF SERVICES TO THE PUBLIC.

BASED ON THE EXPERIENCE DRAWN FROM THE THREE STUDIES, THE CIVIL SERVICE TRAINING CENTRE AND THE STAFF MANAGEMENT AND DISCIPLINE DIVISION OF THE CIVIL SERVICE BRANCH ORGANISED A WORKSHOP AT WHICH REPRESENTATIVES FROM 18 DEPARTMENTS WERE PRESENT.

+AS A RESULT 22 OTHER STUDIES WERE CARRIED OUT IN THE 18 DEPARTMENTS, EACH HEADED BY A PROJECT LEADER TO CONDUCT A STUDY AT AN OFFICE WHICH HAS A LOT OF DEALINGS WITH A LARGE NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

+MEMBERS OF THE TEAMS MET EARLY THIS MONTH IN A PLENARY FORUM TO PRESENT RESULTS OF THE PROJECT AND SHARE THEIR EXPERIENCE,+ HE ADDED.

A FURTHER 17 DEPARTMENTS ARE TAKING PART IN THE EXERCISE THIS MONTH. BY THE END OF THE YEAR ALL DEPARTMENTS WILL HAVE STARTED CUSTOMER OPINION SURVEY EXERCISES.

TWO MORE SCANNERS FOR GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS

ALL THREE REGIONAL HOSPITALS IN HONG KONG WILL BE EQUIPPED WITH SOPHISTICATED WHOLE BODY SCANNERS BY THE BEGINNING OF NEXT YEAR, THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (SUNDAY).

THE DEPARTMENT SAID IT HAD BOUGHT TWO MORE SCANNERS WHICH WOULD BE INSTALLED IN QUEEN MARY HOSPITAL AND PRINCESS MARGARET HOSPITAL AND BECOME OPERATIONAL DURING THE NEXT THREE - FOUR MONTHS.

THE FIRST SCANNER WAS INSTALLED IN QUEEN ELIZABETH HOSPITAL 10 MONTHS AGO AND HAS SINCE BEEN USED ON MORE THAN 1 400 OCCASIONS.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID THE BRITISH-MADE COMPUTERISED AXIAL TOMOGRAPHY (CAT) SCANNERS COST ABOUT \$15 MILLION. THE ONE ALREADY BEING OPERATED BY THE INSTITUTE OF RADIOLOGY AND ONCOLOGY AT QUEEN ELIZABETH HOSPITAL HAS PROVED A SUBSTANTIAL AID IN DIAGNOSING VARIOUS FORMS OF HEAD, BODY AND BRAIN DISEASES.

BODY SCANNERS WERE NOW REGARDED AS AN ESSENTIAL AND STANDARD PIECE OF EQUIPMENT AT ANY LARGE MODERN ACUTE GENERAL HOSPITAL.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID, COMPARED WITH EXISTING OR CONVENTIONAL METHODS OF RADIODIAGNOSIS, THE USE OF THE CAT SCANNER WAS NON-INVASIVE, MORE EFFICIENT AND ACCURATE AND SUBSTANTIALLY LESS TIME CONSUMING.

+AS A RESULT, THERE ARE VARIOUS ADVANTAGES, SUCH AS REDUCTION IN WAITING TIMES, SHORTER PERIODS IN HOSPITAL AND BETTER USAGE OF BEDSPACE,+ HE SAID.

WORK ON INSTALLING THE SCANNER AT QUEEN MARY HOSPITAL WILL START SHORTLY AND THE MACHINE WILL BE READY FOR USE BY DECEMBER. THE PRINCESS MARGARET HOSPITAL SCANNER WILL BE INSTALLED WITHIN THE NEXT TWO MONTHS AND BECOME OPERATIONAL EARLY NEXT YEAR.

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JOB AGENCIES REMINDED ABOUT LICENCE NEED

EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES ARE CONTROLLED BY LAW AND AN OPERATOR MUST OBTAIN A LICENCE FROM THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

THE SPOKESMAN REMINDED PROSPECTIVE OPERATORS THAT EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES ARE SUBJECT TO CONTROL BY THE EMPLOYMENT ORDINANCE AND THE EMPLOYMENT AGENCY REGULATIONS.

UNDER THE ORDINANCE, HE ADDED, AN EMPLOYMENT AGENCY IS DEFINED AS AN ESTABLISHMENT WHICH AIMS AT OBTAINING EMPLOYMENT FOR ANOTHER PERSON OR SUPPLYING PERSONNEL TO AN EMPLOYER BOTH WITHIN OR OUTSIDE HONG KONG. THE LICENCE FEE FOR SUCH AN AGENCY IS \$300 A YEAR.

/THE AMOUNTS

THE AMOUNTS OF FEE OR COMMISSION THAT CAN BE CHARGED BY AN EMPLOYMENT AGENCY ARE PRESCRIBED BY THE REGULATIONS.

THE FEE TO BE PAID BY JOB-SEEKERS FOR FIRST REGISTRATION AND SUBSEQUENT RENEWAL AFTER THREE MONTHS IS LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM OF \$3, AND THE COMMISSION FOR A SUCCESSFUL JOB PLACEMENT TO 10 PER CENT OF THE FIRST MONTH'S SALARY.

THE REGULATIONS ALSO LIMIT THE FEE THAT CAN BE CHARGED BY AN AGENCY TO AN EMPLOYER TO A MAXIMUM OF \$10 FOR EACH TYPE OF VACANCY REGISTERED ON FIRST REGISTRATION AND \$5 FOR RENEWAL OF SUCH REGISTRATION. THE COMMISSION TO BE PAID BY AN EMPLOYER ON SUCCESSFULLY OBTAINING FOR HIM AN EMPLOYEE BY AN AGENCY IS A MATTER OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN BOTH PARTIES.

THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT AN OPERATOR MUST DISPLAY THE FEE SCHEDULES AND HIS LICENCE IN HIS PREMISES.

ANYONE WHO HAS ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE OPERATIONS OF EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES MAY CONTACT THE DEPARTMENT'S OVERSEAS EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ON THE FIRST FLOOR OF SINCERE INSURANCE BUILDING AT 4 HENNESSY ROAD, WAN CHAI. THE TELEPHONE FOR ENQUIRIES ARE 5-281035 AND 5-296670.

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APPLICATION FORMS FOR PRIMARY ONE PLACES AVAILABLE

PARENTS WHO WISH TO APPLY FOR A PRIMARY ONE PLACE IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR FOR THEIR CHILDREN IN SEPTEMBER NEXT YEAR UNDER THE PRIMARY ONE ADMISSION SYSTEM CAN OBTAIN APPLICATION FORMS FROM TOMORROW (MONDAY) UNTIL OCTOBER 1, THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID THAT APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO PRIMARY ONE IS OPEN TO ALL HONG KONG-BELONGING CHILDREN BORN ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 1978 AND NOT STUDYING IN A PRIMARY SCHOOL.

HE SAID THAT PARENTS OF CHILDREN ATTENDING KINDERGARTENS CAN OBTAIN THE APPLICATION FORMS AND RELATED INFORMATION SHEETS FROM THE KINDERGARTENS.

FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN NOT ATTENDING KINDERGARTENS, THE FORMS ARE AVAILABLE IN DISTRICT OFFICES AND ALL OFFICES OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

WHEN SECURING A FORM FROM THESE OFFICES, PARENTS SHOULD PRODUCE THEIR CHILD'S HONG KONG BIRTH CERTIFICATE OR A STATUTORY DECLARATION STATING THE DATE AND PLACE OF THE CHILD'S BIRTH.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID COMPLETED APPLICATION FORMS SHOULD BE RETURNED BETWEEN OCTOBER 3 AND 7 DIRECT TO ONLY ONE GOVERNMENT OR AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL IN WHICH THE PARENT WISHES TO APPLY FOR A DISCRETIONARY PLACE.

THIS SCHOOL MAY BE EITHER WITHIN OR OUTSIDE THE DISTRICT IN WHICH THE FAMILY LIVES. THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT PARENTS ARE STRONGLY ADVISED TO SELECT A NEIGHBOURHOOD SCHOOL IN ORDER TO REDUCE UNNECESSARY TRANSPORT PROBLEMS AND TO TAKE THE POINTS SYSTEM INTO CONSIDERATION IN SELECTING THE SCHOOL.

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GENERALLY, THE POINTS SYSTEM IS BASED ON THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE SCHOOL AND THE CHILD'S FAMILY AS WELL AS THE CHILD'S AGE.

THE SPOKESMAN EMPHASISED THAT ONLY ONE APPLICATION FORM CAN BE SUBMITTED IN RESPECT OF ANY ONE CHILD.

+IF PARENTS ARE FOUND TO HAVE APPLIED TO MORE THAN ONE GOVERNMENT OR AIDED SCHOOL, THEY WILL AUTOMATICALLY FORFEIT THE PRIVILEGE OF BEING ELIGIBLE FOR A DISCRETIONARY PLACE,+ HE SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN ALSO REQUESTED PARENTS OF THOSE CHILDREN WHO CANNOT USE CHINESE AS THE LEARNING MEDIUM TO SEEK ADVICE FROM THE DEPARTMENT'S PRIMARY ONE ADMISSION UNIT AT 269, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST, WAN CHAI, HONG KONG (TEL. NO. 5-724383) BEFORE SUBMITTING THE APPLICATION FORM.

IF PARENTS DO NOT WISH TO APPLY FOR A DISCRETIONARY PLACE IN ANY PARTICULAR SCHOOL, THEY SHOULD RETURN THE COMPLETED APPLICATION FORM BETWEEN OCTOBER 3 AND 7 TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING COLLECTION CENTRES FOR CENTRAL ALLOCATION BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT IN 1984:

1. LUI KEE EDUCATION SERVICES CENTRE AT 269 QUEEN'S ROAD EAST, 2/F., HONG KONG.
2. EDUCATION DEPARTMENT KOWLOON SUB-OFFICE AT 405 NATHAN ROAD, 6/F., KOWLOON.
3. EDUCATION DEPARTMENT MA TAU KOK SUB-OFFICE AT 1 MA TAU KOK ROAD, 1/F., KOWLOON.
4. SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICE AT 2 TUNG LO WAN HILL ROAD, SHA TIN.
5. TAI PO DISTRICT OFFICE AT TAI PO GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, TING KOK ROAD, TAI PO.
6. TSUEN WAN DISTRICT OFFICE AT FOU WAH CENTRE, 2/F., 210 CASTLE PEAK ROAD, TSUEN WAN.
7. TUEN MUN DISTRICT OFFICE AT 201 CASTLE PEAK ROAD, TUEN MUN.
8. YUEN LONG DISTRICT OFFICE AT 269 CASTLE PEAK ROAD, YUEN LONG.
9. NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE FANLING SUB-OFFICE AT JOCKEY CLUB ROAD, FANLING.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT PARENTS WHO WISH THEIR CHILDREN TO ATTEND PRIVATE PRIMARY SCHOOLS OR PRIMARY SCHOOLS OF THE ENGLISH SCHOOLS FOUNDATION SHOULD APPLY DIRECT TO THESE SCHOOLS AS IN THE PAST SINCE THEY ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THE PRIMARY ONE ADMISSION SYSTEM.

4 000 WORKERS NEEDED TO CLEAR DOWNED NT TREES
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SOME 4 000 NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT WORKERS HAVE BEEN BUSY CLEARING THE 12 000 TREES UPROOTED OR DAMAGED LAST WEEK IN THE NEW TERRITORIES BY TYPHOON ELLEN.

MOST OF THE WORKERS LABOURED OVERTIME AND WITHOUT LEAVE SO AS TO CLEAR THE MESS AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NTSD SAID.

AND MORE THAN 150 REFUSE AND JUNK COLLECTION VEHICLES WERE DEPLOYED 16 HOURS A DAY TO REMOVE THE FALLEN TREES AND DEBRIS.

MORE THAN 2 000 OF THE 12 000 TREES HAVE BEEN DESTROYED AND HAVE TO BE REMOVED FROM THE MAIN ROADS AND VILLAGE PATHS, SAID THE SPOKESMAN.

SINCE LAST WEEKEND, 1 000 LORRY LOADS OF FALLEN TREE TRUNKS, BRANCHES AND LEAVES AS WELL AS OTHER DEBRIS AND GARBAGE WERE CLEARED, AND DISPOSED OF AT THE CONTROLLED TIPS AT PILLAR POINT IN TUEN MUN, PLOVER COVE IN TAI PO AND JUNK BAY IN SAI KUNG.

HOWEVER, IT WILL TAKE ANOTHER WEEK OR MORE TO REMOVE THE ESTIMATED REMAINING 1 000 LORRY LOADS OF FALLEN TREES AND DEBRIS STILL LYING AT BOTH SIDES OF ROADS AND VILLAGE PATHS.

THE INCONVENIENCE CAUSED TO THE PUBLIC WAS REGRETTED, THE SPOKESMAN SAID. HOWEVER, HE ADDED THAT NO MOTOR CARRIAGEWAYS WERE BEING OBSTRUCTED BY ANY FALLEN TREES.

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CONCESSIONARY TRAVEL FARE FOR STUDENTS
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ABOUT 84 PER CENT OF ALL STUDENTS AGED 12 TO 25 IN HONG KONG ARE BEING SUBSIDISED BY GOVERNMENT ON THEIR DAILY TRIPS TO AND FROM SCHOOL, AND ON AVERAGE EACH STUDENT SAVES OVER \$400 A YEAR.

SINCE THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT'S CONCESSIONARY STUDENT TRAVEL SCHEME WAS INTRODUCED IN 1981, IT HAS BEEN EXTREMELY WELL RECEIVED. NO FEWER THAN 475 000 STUDENT TRAVEL CARDS WERE ISSUED TO STUDENTS FROM 372 PRIMARY SCHOOLS, 472 SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND 21 POST-SECONDARY SCHOOLS LAST YEAR.

THIS YEAR, OVER 224 000 APPLICATIONS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED DURING THE FIRST FORTNIGHT OF THE NEW SEMESTER.

THE AMOUNT OF SUBSIDY FOR THE TWO PREVIOUS ACADEMIC YEARS AMOUNTED TO ALMOST \$450 MILLION. ANOTHER \$227 MILLION HAS BEEN ALLOCATED FOR THE CURRENT ACADEMIC YEAR.

THE \$227 MILLION GRANT THIS YEAR WILL BE SHARED AMONG THE PARTICIPATING TRANSPORT OPERATORS — \$132 MILLION WILL GO TO BUS COMPANIES, \$7 MILLION TO FERRIES COMPANIES, \$84 MILLION TO MTR AND KCR AND \$3.9 MILLION TO THE TRAMWAYS COMPANY.

THE ALLOCATION OF GRANTS WAS BASED ON TWO SAMPLE SURVEYS CONDUCTED LAST YEAR WHICH ASSESSED STUDENT PATRONAGE OF THE VARIOUS MODES OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT. THE GRANTS WILL BE REGULARLY REVIEWED.

UNDER THE STUDENT TRAVEL SCHEME, CARD HOLDERS COULD TRAVEL ON THE ABOVE-MENTIONED TRANSPORT FACILITIES AT CONCESSIONARY FARES. THE RATES ARE GENERALLY SET AT HALF THE FULL ADULT FARE ROUNDED UP TO THE NEAREST 10 CENTS.

STUDENTS TRAVEL CARDS ARE ISSUED ANNUALLY BY THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT'S STUDENT TRAVEL OFFICE, AND ARE VALID FOR 13 MONTHS, FROM SEPTEMBER 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30 OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR. THE FEE IS \$10 A CARD.

ALL STUDENTS AGED 12 TO 25 WHO ARE IN FULL-TIME EDUCATION ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THE SCHEME. APPLICATIONS MAY BE MADE THROUGH THEIR RESPECTIVE SCHOOLS.

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FINALISTS VIE FOR SAFETY WORKER TITLES

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SIX FINALISTS IN BOTH THE MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SECTIONS OF A SAFETY WORKER CONTEST WILL VIE FOR THE TWO INDIVIDUAL TITLES AT AN INDUSTRIAL SAFETY GALA NIGHT TO BE HELD AT THE TSUEN WAN TOWN HALL ON SEPTEMBER 28 (WEDNESDAY).

THE SAFETY WORKER CONTEST, WHICH IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT, RADIO-TELEVISION HONG KONG AND THE FEDERATION OF HONG KONG INDUSTRIES ATTRACTED MORE THAN 50 LOCAL WORKERS IN THE PRELIMINARY ROUNDS HELD LAST WEEK. THE CONTEST IS SPONSORED BY MR LAM KIN-MING, A LEADING INDUSTRIALIST IN TSUEN WAN.

THE THREE FINALISTS IN THE MEN'S SECTION ARE: MR TSANG CHI-PUI, A CONSTRUCTION WORKER; MR CHOW TAT-KWONG, A PAINTER AND MR CHUNG HO-SUM OF THE SHIP-REPAIRING INDUSTRY. THE THREE FINALISTS IN THE WOMEN'S SECTION ARE: MISS WONG CHING-YEE AND MISS LAU KWAI-YING, BOTH FROM THE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY AND MISS LAU WAI-YEE, A GARMENT FACTORY WORKER.

THE FINALISTS WILL BE JUDGED ON THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARDS INDUSTRIAL SAFETY, THEIR KNOWLEDGE OF INDUSTRIAL SAFETY AND ON THE MANNER OF THEIR PRESENTATION.

THE PANEL OF JUDGES WILL INCLUDE MR LAM KIN-MING, MANAGING DIRECTOR, SING FOOK KNITTING FACTORY CO. LTD. (CHAIRMAN); MR CHAN SHIU-LAP, CHIEF FACTORY INSPECTOR OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT; MR SIMON LUN, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF BROADCASTING; MR WONG CHI-WAH, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE FEDERATION OF HONG KONG INDUSTRIES AND MR TAM WING-PONG, DISTRICT OFFICER (KWAI CHUNG AND TSING YI).

/THE WINNERS

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THE WINNERS OF THE CONTEST WILL BE AWARDED AN 11-DAY ALL-EXPENSES-PAID TRIP TO THE WEST COAST OF THE UNITED STATES WHILE THE RUNNERS-UP WILL BE GIVEN PACKAGE TOURS TO JAPAN AND BANGKOK TOGETHER WITH CASH PRIZES.

TO HIGHLIGHT THE CONTEST, LOCAL SINGERS MISS ELISA CHAN AND MISS TERESA CARPIO HAVE BEEN INVITED TO PERFORM AT THE INDUSTRIAL SAFETY GALA NIGHT.

FREE ADMISSION TICKETS TO THE GALA NIGHT AND GRAND FINAL OF THE SAFETY WORKER CONTEST CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE TSUEN WAN TOWN HALL TICKET OFFICE, RTHK AND THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT.

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SYMPOSIUM ON LANGUAGE IN HONG KONG
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A TWO-DAY SYMPOSIUM TO PROMOTE THE STUDY AND TEACHING OF LANGUAGE IN HONG KONG WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY (SEPTEMBER 20) AND WEDNESDAY AT THE CHEMISTRY THEATRE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG IN POK FU LAM.

THE SYMPOSIUM, JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE CHINESE AND PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY AND THE CHINESE DIVISION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S INSTITUTE OF LANGUAGE IN EDUCATION (ILE), WILL BE CONDUCTED ENTIRELY IN CHINESE.

THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR MICHAEL LEUNG, WILL SPEAK AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WHICH WILL START AT 10.30 AM ON TUESDAY.

IT WILL BE FOLLOWED BY A SERIES OF TALKS BY STAFF AND LECTURERS OF THE TWO UNIVERSITIES AND THE ILE.

THE TALKS WILL CONTINUE ON WEDNESDAY.

IT IS EXPECTED THAT MORE THAN 300 TEACHERS OF CHINESE LANGUAGE IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS, ILE COURSE PARTICIPANTS AND HKU STUDENTS WILL ATTEND THE SYMPOSIUM.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR MICHAEL LEUNG, WILL OFFICIATE AND DELIVER A SPEECH AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE TWO-DAY SYMPOSIUM ON LANGUAGE IN HONG KONG AT THE CHEMISTRY THEATRE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG AT POK FU LAM ON TUESDAY (SEPTEMBER 20) AT 10.30 AM.

THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE FOLLOWED BY A SERIES OF TALKS BY STAFF AND LECTURERS OF THE TWO UNIVERSITIES AND THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S INSTITUTE OF LANGUAGE IN EDUCATION.

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY.

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POSTER CONTEST TO HELP INTEGRATE HANDICAPPED
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STUDENTS AND RESIDENTS IN KOWLOON CITY ARE BEING INVITED TO TAKE PART IN A POSTER DESIGN CONTEST TO PUBLICISE THE NEEDS AND INTEGRATION OF THE HANDICAPPED INTO THE COMMUNITY.

THE THEME OF THE CONTEST IS +FRIENDSHIP - A WAY TO INTEGRATION+.

SPONSORED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD, THE COMPETITION IS DIVIDED INTO THREE SECTIONS AND WINNING ENTRIES WILL BE AWARDED TROPHIES AND CASH COUPONS.

FOR THE SECONDARY AND POST-SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS AND THE ADULT SECTIONS, THE WINNERS AND RUNNERS-UP WILL RECEIVE CASH COUPONS WORTH \$500, \$300 AND \$200.

WINNERS IN THE PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS SECTION WILL GET COUPONS WORTH \$300, \$200 AND \$100.

THERE IS NO LIMIT TO THE NUMBER OF ENTRIES SUBMITTED BY EACH PERSON.

PARTICIPANTS SHOULD SEND THE POSTERS, PAINTED IN POSTER COLOUR OR OIL PASTEL, TOGETHER WITH THE APPLICATION FORMS TO THE DISTRICT OFFICE BY OCTOBER 17.

APPLICATION FORMS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICE AT 141-143 KAU PUI LUNG ROAD; THE HO MAN TIN BRANCH OFFICE AT BLOCK 8, HO MAN TIN ESTATE IN SHEUNG SHING STREET; AND THE HUNG HOM BRANCH OFFICE AT 32 WUHU STREET.

WINNING DESIGNS WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC EDUCATION IN REHABILITATION TO COMPETE ON A TERRITORY-WIDE BASIS WITH OTHER DISTRICTS.

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ABERDEEN FORESHORE AND SEABED FOR LEASE
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THE GOVERNMENT INTENDS TO GRANT BY WAY OF PUBLIC TENDER A 15-YEAR LEASE OF AN AREA OF ABOUT 6 500 SQUARE METRES OF THE FORESHORE AND SEABED NEAR TIN WAN PRAYA ROAD, ABERDEEN.

AFTER RECLAMATION, THE GRANTEE WILL BE PERMITTED TO USE THE SITE FOR HANDLING AGGREGATE AND CEMENT, INCLUDING BATCHING OF READY-MIXED CONCRETE. THE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF ANCILLARY STORAGE AND OFFICE BUILDINGS WILL ALSO BE ALLOWED.

TO PREVENT THE POSSIBILITY OF POLLUTION ON THE SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT, STRICT CONTROL ON NOISE AND DUST EMITTED BY THE OPERATION OF THE PLANT WILL BE EXERCISED BY MEANS OF LEASE CONDITIONS, ANY BREACH OF WHICH MAY RESULT IN THE SUSPENSION OF OPERATION OF THE PLANT.

/THE EXTENT

THE EXTENT OF THE AREA AFFECTED IS DESCRIBED IN A NOTIFICATION PUBLISHED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE AND ALL OBJECTIONS AND/OR CLAIMS FOR COMPENSATION SHOULD REACH THE DIRECTOR OF LANDS WITHIN TWO MONTHS.

THE NOTICE AND ITS RELATED PLAN CAN BE SEEN ON NOTICE BOARDS POSTED NEAR THE SITE.

THE PLAN CAN ALSO BE SEEN AT THE LANDS DEPARTMENT SURVEY DIVISION, 5TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG (WHERE COPIES CAN BE PURCHASED ON ORDER) AND AT THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICE, 7-11 NAM NING STREET, 2ND FLOOR, ABERDEEN CENTRE, HONG KONG.

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MANY WATCH ROWING CONTEST
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A CARNIVAL-LIKE ATMOSPHERE PREVAILED IN CHEUNG CHAU THIS (SUNDAY) AFTERNOON AS HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE FLOCKED TO THE ISLAND'S TYPHOON SHELTER TO WATCH A +COLOURED BOAT+ ROWING COMPETITION.

THE ANNUAL EVENT WAS ORGANISED BY THE RECREATION AND SPORTS SERVICE (RSS) OF THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT AND THE CHEUNG CHAU COLOURED BOAT ASSOCIATION. IT IS SPONSORED BY THE LIU CHONG HING BANK.

MORE THAN 1 000 MEN AND WOMEN INCLUDING MANY FROM THE FISHING POPULATION AS WELL AS OFFICE WORKERS STARTED COMPETING IN KNOCK-OUT ROUNDS AT 10 AM.

THERE WERE 113 TEAMS FROM BANKS, EIGHT ISLAND DISTRICTS, AND SOCIAL ORGANISATIONS WHICH PADDLED FURIOUSLY IN VYING FOR THE PRIZES.

AMONG THOSE WHO WATCHED THE CONTEST AND ALSO PRESENTED THE TROPHIES WERE THE ACTING SECRETARY FOR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION, MR IAN MACPHERSON; THE COMMISSIONER FOR RECREATION AND CULTURE, MR PATRICK WILLIAMSON; AND THE VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE LIU CHONG HING BANK, MR LIU LIT-FOR.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE RSS SAID COLOURED BOAT ROWING IS BECOMING VERY POPULAR AMONG RESIDENTS.

+FOUR YEARS AGO IT WAS A SPORT KNOWN ONLY TO CHEUNG CHAU RESIDENTS, BUT NOW IT IS KNOWN TERRITORY-WIDE,+ HE SAID.

+A COLOURED BOAT IS SLIM AND CAN HOLD NINE PERSONS. TO ROW THE VESSEL NEEDS SKILL AND A LOT OF PRACTICE,+ HE ADDED.

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1983

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NEW JORDAN ROAD TRAFFIC PLAN STARTS TUESDAY
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THE FOLLOWING TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN JORDAN ROAD WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE FROM 10 AM ON TUESDAY (SEPTEMBER 20).

- (1) THE KERBSIDE LANE OF THE EASTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF JORDAN ROAD BETWEEN PARKES STREET AND NATHAN ROAD WILL BE PROHIBITED TO ALL MOTOR VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES AND THOSE AUTHORISED IN WRITING BY THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT.

THE PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ACROSS JORDAN ROAD TO THE WEST OF NATHAN ROAD WILL BE WIDENED TO COPE WITH THE HEAVY PEDESTRIAN VOLUME.

- (2) THE EASTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF JORDAN ROAD BETWEEN SHANGHAI STREET AND PARKES STREET WILL BE A RESTRICTED ZONE FROM 7 AM TO 12 MIDNIGHT DAILY.

WITHIN THE RESTRICTED ZONE, DRIVERS OF ALL MOTOR VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES AND THOSE AUTHORISED IN WRITING WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM PICKING UP OR SETTING DOWN PASSENGERS, OR LOADING OR UNLOADING GOODS.

- (3) THE EXISTING 24-HOUR PUBLIC LIGHT*BUS RESTRICTED ZONE AND THE RESTRICTED ZONE OPERATIONAL FROM 7 AM TO 12 MIDNIGHT ON THE EASTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF JORDAN ROAD BETWEEN PARKES STREET AND NATHAN ROAD WILL BE RESCINDED.

- (4) A NEW TAXI STAND CONSISTING OF 6 SPACES FOR TAXIS WILL BE DESIGNATED IN PARKES STREET NEAR ITS JUNCTION WITH NANKING STREET TO FACILITATE THE PICKING UP AND SETTING DOWN OF PASSENGERS WHEN THE RESTRICTED ZONE IS OPERATIVE IN JORDAN ROAD.

THE ABOVE MEASURES ARE INTRODUCED TO IMPROVE BUS OPERATION AND TO ENHANCE ROAD SAFETY AT THE JUNCTION OF JORDAN ROAD AND NATHAN ROAD.

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MORE PARKING METERS FOR TIN WAN
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THE 32 PARKING METERS RECENTLY INSTALLED AT THE OPEN SPACE NEAR SHEK PAI WAN ROAD IN TIN WAN WILL BE OPERATIONAL FROM 8 AM ON TUESDAY (SEPTEMBER 20).

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