



# DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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LAND GRANT SIGNED FOR INDUSTRIAL ESTATE  
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DEVELOPMENT OF THE TAI PO INDUSTRIAL ESTATE TOOK ANOTHER STRIDE FORWARD TODAY WITH DOCUMENTS SIGNED FOR A GRANT OF ABOUT 55.8 HECTARES OF LAND IN TAI PO HOI NORTH TO THE HONG KONG INDUSTRIAL ESTATES CORPORATION.

IT MEANS THE CORPORATION WILL NOW BE ABLE TO SUB-LEASE INDIVIDUAL LOTS TO SELECTED INDUSTRIALISTS AS FORMED LAND BECOMES PROGRESSIVELY AVAILABLE.

CONDITIONS OF THE PRIVATE TREATY GRANT WERE SIGNED BY THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR. DAVID AKERS-JONES, AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CORPORATION, MR. LI FOOK-WO, AT THE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT.

MR. AKERS-JONES SAID THE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE WILL UNDOUBTEDLY HELP BROADEN HONG KONG'S INDUSTRIAL BASE AND CONTRIBUTE SUBSTANTIALLY TO ITS EXPORTS.

HE SAID THERE WILL BE 10,000 TO 15,000 JOBS CREATED DEPENDING ON THE TYPES OF INDUSTRIES FINALLY SELECTED BY THE CORPORATION.

THE CORPORATION IS REQUIRED TO RECLAIM AND FORM A TOTAL OF ABOUT 76 HECTARES OF LAND INCLUDING THE AREA GRANTED, OF WHICH ABOUT 38 PER CENT WILL BE HANDED BACK TO THE GOVERNMENT FOR ROADS, PEDESTRIAN WAYS, SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT AND OTHER GOVERNMENT USES.

THE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE CATERS FOR LAND-INTENSIVE INDUSTRIES WHICH CANNOT OPERATE IN MULTI-STOREY BUILDINGS AND HELPS UPGRADE LOCAL INDUSTRIES TECHNOLOGY.

THE CORPORATION ESTIMATES THAT THE SCHEME WILL ATTRACT POTENTIAL INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT EXCEEDING \$1,000 MILLION-\$225 MILLION IN LAND, ABOUT \$450 MILLION IN BUILDINGS AND A FURTHER \$325 MILLION IN MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE CORPORATION SAID THE ANNUAL MINIMUM PRODUCTION BY THE SUB-LESSEES IS EXPECTED TO AMOUNT TO \$1,000 MILLION OR ABOUT THREE PER CENT OF HONG KONG'S TOTAL GROSS MANUFACTURED OUTPUT IN 1973.

AT PRESENT, HE SAID, LAND FORMATION FOR STAGE ONE OF THE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE IS WELL UNDERWAY AND ABOUT EIGHT HECTARES OF SITES ARE ALREADY FORMED FOR SUB-LEASING.

THE CORPORATION IS NEGOTIATING WITH SIX SELECTED APPLICANTS WHOSE INDUSTRIAL PROCESSES CONFORM MOST CLOSELY WITH ITS SELECTION CRITERIA.

+THIS FOLLOWS OUR CAREFUL SCREENING OF THE APPLICATIONS, MOSTLY FROM LOCAL INDUSTRIALISTS, WHICH WE HAVE RECEIVED SINCE WE ANNOUNCED LAST DECEMBER THE BASIC TERMS FOR SUB-LEASES,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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HE SAID FURTHER APPLICANTS WILL BE SELECTED AS MORE FORMED SITES BECOME AVAILABLE.

LOTS ON STAGE ONE OF THE ESTATE WILL BE SUB-LEASED FOR PERIODS UP TO 15 YEARS AT A PREMIUM OF \$45 PER SQUARE FOOT.

SUB-LEASES ARE ONLY OFFERED FOR THE PURPOSES SPECIFIED BY THE APPLICANTS AND AGREED BY THE CORPORATION, AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE LOTS IS RESTRICTED TO A PLOT RATIO OF 2.5 AND CANNOT BE UNDERLET.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT CONTRACTS WILL BE LET SHORTLY FOR THE SITE FORMATION OF STAGE TWO, THE SERVICE RESERVOIR, THE IMPROVEMENTS OF TING KOK ROAD AND ESTATE ROADS.

HE SAID THAT SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF FURTHER LOAN FUNDS BY THE GOVERNMENT, THE CORPORATION IS TO PROCEED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SECOND INDUSTRIAL ESTATE IN YUEN LONG.

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CHIEF SECRETARY VISITS RATING AND VALUATION DEPT.

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THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR DENYS ROBERTS, SPENT TWO-AND-A-HALF HOURS THIS (THURSDAY) AFTERNOON VISITING THE OFFICES OF THE RATING AND VALUATION DEPARTMENT.

ACCOMPANIED BY MR. RAYMOND FRY, COMMISSIONER OF RATING AND VALUATION, HE FIRST CALLED AT THE SUB-OFFICES IN NEW MERCURY HOUSE IN WAN CHAI WHERE HE MET OFFICERS OF THE DEPARTMENT AND SAW WORK IN PROGRESS IN THE VARIOUS URBAN RATING DIVISIONS AND THE DIVISION WHICH HANDLES LANDLORD AND TENANT MATTERS.

SIR DENYS LATER VISITED THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE DEPARTMENT AT THE BOTTOM OF GARDEN ROAD. THERE HE MET SOME OF THE SENIOR STAFF AND WAS BRIEFED ON VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE DEPARTMENT'S WORK.

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ANTI-RABIES VACCINE -- NEW SUPPLY ARRIVED  
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A FRESH BATCH OF ANTI-RABIES VACCINE ARRIVED AT KAI TAK AIRPORT THIS AFTERNOON FROM SPAIN.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (THURSDAY) THAT THE FRESH BATCH COMPRISING FOUR THOUSAND DOSES WOULD BE SUFFICIENT FOR THE SHAUKEIWAN CAMPAIGN TO RECOMMENCE TOMORROW (FRIDAY) FOR ONE DAY.

THE TWO CENTRES TO BE IN OPERATION TOMORROW ARE LOCATED AT THE SIDE OF SAI WAN HO MARKET AND AT THE JUNCTION OF KAM WAH STREET AND SHAUKEIWAN MAIN STREET EAST (IN FRONT OF KAM WAH STREET REST GARDEN).

THIS WOULD COMPLETE THE PROJECTED IMMUNISATION DRIVE IN SHAUKEIWAN WHICH WAS TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED AT THE END OF LAST WEEK OWING TO UNEXPECTEDLY HIGH DEMAND.

THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT THE SHAUKEIWAN DRIVE HAD BEEN PLANNED AS A PILOT SCHEME OF THE HONG KONG-WIDE RABIES AWARENESS PROGRAMME AND THE DEPARTMENT WOULD EVALUATE THE RESULT OF THE SHAUKEIWAN EXERCISE BEFORE ANNOUNCING THE SUBSEQUENT PHASES OF THE PROGRAMME.

HE SAID THAT THE DECISION ON THE NEXT PHASE WOULD BE REACHED NEXT WEEK, DEPENDING UPON RESULTS ACHIEVED SO FAR AND THE EXPECTATION OF FURTHER SUPPLIES OF ANTI-RABIES VACCINE BEING MADE AVAILABLE OVER THE NEXT WEEK.

IN THE MEANTIME, THE NORMAL IMMUNISATION FACILITY IN THE DEPARTMENT'S PERMANENT CENTRES THROUGHOUT HONG KONG ISLAND, KOWLOON AND THE NEW TERRITORIES WILL CONTINUE SO LONG AS EXISTING SUPPLY HOLDS OUT.

HE EXPRESSED SATISFACTION AT THE +SPEED+ OF THE PUBLIC'S REACTION TO THE INTRODUCTION OF THIS RABIES AWARENESS CAMPAIGN.

HE SAID THE EXTENT OF THE DEMAND CREATED BY THE PUBLIC FOR THE SHAUKEIWAN EXERCISE EXCEEDED THE EXPECTATION. +HOWEVER, WE DO NOT WANT TO GIVE THE PUBLIC THE IMPRESSION OF IMMEDIATE URGENCY IN THIS PROGRAMME,+ HE ADDED.

+RABIES IS NOT EXISTING IN HONG KONG, THE LAST RECORDED CASE WAS IN 1955,+ HE SAID.

+OUR OBJECT IN THIS EXERCISE IS TO REMIND PEOPLE OF THE EVER PRESENT THREAT AND TO SEEK THEIR CO-OPERATION IN MINIMISING THE DANGER OF THE DISEASE BEING RE-INTRODUCED INTO HONG KONG,+ HE WENT ON.

+THEREFORE, DOG OWNERS IN OTHER AREAS SHOULD NOT BE CONCERNED TO RUSH TO OUR SPECIALLY PROVIDED FACILITY IN THE TARGET AREA TO QUEUE FOR HOURS AND OVERBURDEN OUR STAFF OUT OF A SENSE OF PANIC,+ HE SAID.

+THEY SHOULD WAIT TO BE INFORMED OF OUR SUBSEQUENT TARGET AREA AND THE TIME-TABLE WE WILL ESTABLISH FOR THE OPERATION, SO THAT WHEN THE CAMPAIGN REACH THAT DISTRICT, THEY CAN GO ALONG AT THEIR CONVENIENCE TO GET THEIR DOGS INOCULATED,+ SAID THE SPOKESMAN.

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CROWN LAND SALE  
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FOUR LOTS OF CROWN LAND WILL BE OFFERED FOR SALE BY AUCTION ON JUNE 7 AT THE CITY HALL THEATRE AT 2.30 P.M. BY THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT'S LANDS AND SURVEY DEPARTMENT.

TWO OF THEM, SITUATED AT TSIM SHA TSUI EAST AND PO KONG VILLAGE ROAD, HAVE BEEN EARMARKED FOR NON-INDUSTRIAL PURPOSES. THEY MEASURE 2,656.5 AND 92.9 SQUARE METRES RESPECTIVELY.

ANOTHER LOT, MEASURING 590.2 SQUARE METRES IS SITUATED BETWEEN QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL AND LOWER LASCAR ROW. IT HAS BEEN EARMARKED FOR NON-INDUSTRIAL PURPOSES.

THE FOURTH LOT AT HORIZON DRIVE, CHUNG HOM KOK, MEASURING 804.4 SQUARE METRES, IS FOR PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES.

FULL PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE MAY BE OBTAINED FROM, AND SALE PLANS INSPECTED AT, THE PUBLIC ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES (WEST WING), GROUND FLOOR, HONG KONG AND AT THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 405 NATHAN ROAD, 10TH FLOOR, KOWLOON.

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P.L.B. RESTRICTION ON LAI KING HILL ROAD  
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THE SECTION OF LAI KING HILL ROAD BETWEEN ITS JUNCTIONS WITH THE ACCESS ROADS TO BLOCKS 2 AND 7 OF LAI KING PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE WILL BECOME A PUBLIC LIGHT BUS RESTRICTED ZONE FROM 10 A.M. ON SATURDAY (MAY 14).

THE RESTRICTION, WHICH WILL BE IN OPERATION 24 HOURS DAILY, IS AIMED AT REGULATING PLB ACTIVITIES AT THE SECTION OF THE ROAD IN FRONT OF THE PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE.

A PUBLIC LIGHT BUS STAND WILL BE PROVIDED ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE ROAD.

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE POSTED FOR THE GUIDANCE OF PLB DRIVERS.

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WATER CUT  
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WATER SUPPLY TO THE WHOLE OF SO UK ESTATE IN SHAM SHUI PO AND PART OF YUEN LONG WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR FIVE HOURS FROM 1 A.M. ON SATURDAY (MAY 14) TO ENABLE THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT TO CARRY OUT NIGHT LEAKAGE TESTS.

IN YUEN LONG, THE AREA TO BE AFFECTED IS BOUNDED BY YUEN LONG MAIN ROAD, NULLAH, ON NING ROAD AND MA MIU ROAD, INCLUDING KIK YEUNG TSUEN, FUNG CHI TSUEN, WING NING TSUEN AND HANG TAU.

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PASSING-OUT PARADE OF FIREMEN  
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THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT WILL HOLD ITS 25TH PASSING-OUT PARADE AT ITS TRAINING SCHOOL AT PAT HEUNG, NEW TERRITORIES, ON SATURDAY (MAY 14).

CAPTAIN R.L. GARNONS-WILLIAMS, CAPTAIN-IN-CHARGE, ROYAL NAVY HONG KONG, WILL INSPECT THE PARADE.

ON PARADE WILL BE 21 ASSISTANT STATION OFFICERS AND 105 FIREMEN WHO HAVE COMPLETED SIX MONTHS' BASIC TRAINING AND ONE SQUAD OF FIRE OFFICERS AND TWO SQUADS OF FIREMEN WHO ARE STILL UNDER TRAINING.

AT THE END OF THE CEREMONY, THERE WILL BE A FIRE FIGHTING DEMONSTRATION.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND A REPORTER AND/OR PHOTOGRAPHER TO COVER THE EVENT WHICH WILL COMMENCE AT 10.30 A.M. ON SATURDAY AT THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S TRAINING SCHOOL AT PAT HEUNG, NEW TERRITORIES.

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