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ANOTHER PHASE IN LUNG CHEUNG ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Work on the final stage of the Fung Mo Interchange at the junction of Fung Mo Street and Lung Cheung Road in Kowloon is expected to start within the next few weeks.

The project is part of the Lung Cheung Road/Taipo Road/Ching Cheung Road improvement scheme, now underway, to provide a high quality highway linking the industrial areas of San Po Kong in the east with Tsuen Wan and Kwai Chung in the west.

The works will mainly involve construction of a motorway bridge complete with a pedestrian footway, over Lung Cheung Road and a pedestrian overpass at Sha Tin Pass Road.

Construction will be supervised by a firm of consulting engineers and will take about 12 months to complete.

When completed, Fung Mo Street traffic will be routed along the bridge to enable uninterrupted traffic flow along Lung Cheung Road.

The pedestrian overpass at Shatin Pass Road will come into full use as a safe means for pedestrians to cross Lung Cheung Road when the Po Kong Interchange and Lung Cheung Road Extension are completed.

Lung Cheung Road will then run continuously from Shatin Pass Road to Hammer Hill Road.

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MORE BUILDING PLANS APPROVED

A total of 149 building plans was approved by the Building Authority in May this year, nearly three times the number of that for the previous month.

In April only 54 were approved.

More than half of the new plans processed were for residential buildings. These included a 31-storey apartment/commercial building in Electric Road on Hong Kong Island, two blocks of 29-storey and one block of 27-storey apartment buildings in Hong Lee Road, Kowloon.

Plans for a 39-storey commercial building on Waterfront Road on the Island were also approved.

Buildings certified for occupation included 18 for domestic use, 28 for non-domestic use and 40 for combined domestic/non-domestic uses.

The total declared cost of construction amounted to over \$167 million.

In addition, the Building Authority gave permission for 67 building projects to commence work - 24 on Hong Kong Island, 14 in Kowloon and 29 in the New Territories.

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NEW MUSEUM FEATURE

The City Museum and Art Gallery is introducing a new display series featuring items from its collection relating to archaeology, history or ethnography in Hong Kong.

The first item, which is now on show, is a 100-year-old British sword found by the police near Nim Wan in Lau Fau Shan last year.

The sword is a Romanesque-Hanger first used in 1855 by the privates of the Royal Corps of Transport.

The Corps was re-formed the following year into the Military Train which adopted the same sword for its privates.

It is believed that the Nim Wan sword was probably brought to Hong Kong when a battalion of the Train was sent here in 1860.

Another "museum feature" display case which continues to introduce aspects of Chinese art and culture, this month highlights Neolithic painted pottery.

Two painted pots of the Yang Shao Culture, Ma Ch' ang Period, and one painted dish unearthed from Chung Hom Kok on Hong Kong Island are displayed.

Both display cases are on the 10th floor of the City Hall, High Block.

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RURAL OBSERVATION TRIP

One of the programmes organised by the Youth Work Unit of the Social Welfare Department for young people this summer is a rural observation and service trip to the New Territories.

This is being held from Friday, August 3 to Tuesday, August 7 at Sui Lau Tin Village in Yuen Long.

Mr. Antonio Chu, officer-in-charge of the Youth Work Unit said the programme would include visits to village homes and experimental farms.

"The young people will be able to take part in actual farming in the field and it is also planned to hold a variety show and fun fair for children living in the village."

Those interested in joining can obtain application forms from either the unit's Hong Kong office at Room 908, Causeway Bay Magistracy Building (telephone 5-712467) or the Kowloon Office on the Top Floor of Nathan Road Government Offices Building (telephone 3-884111 ext. 334). Forms should be returned by July 20.

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PROMOTION FOR THIRD GOVERNMENT LOTTERY

Four popular RTV entertainers will sell government lottery tickets at a temporary ticket selling booth in Statue Square on Monday (July 9) between 5 p.m. and 6 p.m.

They are Miss Angelina Leung Siu-ling, Miss Helen Poon Bing-sheung, Miss Eileen Lo Oi-leen, and Miss Violet Lee Ying.

At the same time, two RTV comedians will give an impromptu performance to promote the sale of lottery tickets.

The winning numbers for the third government lottery this year will be drawn by the four entertainers on July 14, at the City Hall Theatre.

By 12.00 noon today a total of 491,000 tickets had been sold. Ticket sales will close at 8 p.m. on Friday (July 13) at the Royal Hong Kong Jockey Club booth at the Star Ferry Concourse and all Hong Kong and Yaumati Ferry piers.

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Note to Editors: You are invited to send a reported and/or photographer to cover the event on Monday afternoon in Statue Square, next to Prince's Building.

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