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GOVERNMENT CONTINUES ITS EFFORTS TO DIVERSIFY INDUSTRY

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THE GOVERNMENT CONTINUED ITS EFFORTS TO ENCOURAGE DIVERSIFICATION OF OUR INDUSTRY AS HONG KONG REELED FROM THE SHOCK OF THE EEC TEXTILES RESTRAINT AGREEMENT, THE ACTING COMMISSIONER OF INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS, MR. ROY PORTER SAID TODAY.

MR. PORTER WHO RETURNED HERE LAST SUNDAY FROM A THREE-WEEK INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT PROMOTION MISSION TO EUROPE ALSO TOLD THE PRESS CONFERENCE THAT THERE WAS NO DIRECT CONNECTION BETWEEN HIS MISSION AND THE TEXTILES RESTRAINTS.

+IT WAS PART OF A CONTINUING PROMOTIONAL PROGRAMME WHICH WE HAVE BEEN CONDUCTING FOR SOME YEARS - AND WHICH WE ARE PLANNING TO INTENSIFY IN THE FUTURE.+

HE AGREED, HOWEVER, THAT THE CUTBACK IN TEXTILES ADDED A NEW ELEMENT OF URGENCY TO THE PROGRAMME.

THE LATEST MISSION LED BY HIM VISITED GERMANY, SWITZERLAND AND BRITAIN.

MR. PORTER SAID HIS MAIN PURPOSE IN GOING TO EUROPE ON THIS OCCASION WAS TO TAKE PART IN A SEMINAR ORGANISED JOINTLY BY THE TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, THE SWISS TRADE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE AND THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS.

THE SEMINAR, WHICH WAS HELD IN ZURICH, WAS OPENED BY SWISS AMBASSADOR BETTSCHART, AND WAS ATTENDED BY SOME 70 SWISS INDUSTRIALISTS - A REMARKABLY GOOD TURNOUT IN MR. PORTER'S VIEW.

THE HONG KONG DELEGATION TO THE SEMINAR WAS HEADED BY MR. T.K. ANN, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL. IN ADDITION TO MR. PORTER, OTHER DELEGATES INCLUDED MR. JAMES WU, MR. GEORGE BLOCH AND THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE TDC, MR. LEN DUNNING.

+SWISS INDUSTRIALISTS WERE SURPRISED AND, I THINK, IMPRESSED BY THE PICTURE OF A MODERN INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL SOCIETY WE PRESENTED TO THEM,+ SAID MR. PORTER. +I BELIEVE THE SEMINAR TO HAVE BEEN WELL WORTHWHILE,+ HE ADDED.

WHILE IN EUROPE MR. PORTER, ASSISTED BY MR. EDMOND CHEUNG, AN ASSISTANT TRADE OFFICER OF THE TRADE, INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT, TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT A SEMINAR TO THE STUTTGART CHAMBER OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE, WHICH WAS ATTENDED BY 30 GERMAN INDUSTRIALISTS.

IN ADDITION, HE VISITED 10 COMPANIES IN GERMANY, SIX IN SWITZERLAND AND SIX IN THE UK.

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HE ALSO HELD DISCUSSIONS WITH THE BIRMINGHAM CHAMBER OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE - PROBABLY THE MOST INFLUENTIAL CHAMBER IN THE UK AS FAR AS THE LIGHT AND MEDIUM HEAVY ENGINEERING INDUSTRIES ARE CONCERNED.

AMONG THE SPECIFIC PROJECTS WHICH MR. PORTER DISCUSSED IN DETAIL WITH EUROPEAN COMPANIES ARE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A POWDER METALLURGY PLANT- THE MANUFACTURE OF SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS, ROBOT MECHANICAL HANDLING EQUIPMENT, WELDING MACHINES, ELECTRICAL CONSUMER PRODUCTS, GENERATORS, ELECTRONIC CLOCKS, WATCHES AND FASTENING SYSTEMS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY.

+IT IS OF COURSE PROBABLE THAT SOME OF THE PROJECTS WILL NOT MATERIALISE+, HE CAUTIONED, +WHILE OTHERS WILL TAKE SEVERAL YEARS TO DO SO. SOME, HOWEVER, REPRESENT INVESTMENTS WHICH WILL BE MADE ALMOST IMMEDIATELY IF WE CAN MEET THE COMPANY'S REQUIREMENTS FOR GOOD SITES AND, IN SOME CASES, FOR THE RIGHT PARTNERS.+

ONE OF THE COMPANIES WHICH MR. PORTER VISITED IN GERMANY HAS ALREADY SENT A REPRESENTATIVE TO HONG KONG TO SEARCH FOR A SUITABLE SITE. +ONE OF MY COLLEAGUES IS AT THIS MOMENT OUT IN THE NEW TERRITORIES SHOWING HIM WHAT IS AVAILABLE,+ HE SAID.

IN MR. PORTER'S VIEW, IT WILL BE MANY YEARS BEFORE THE BALANCE BETWEEN TEXTILE AND NON-TEXTILE PRODUCTS IS SIGNIFICANTLY CHANGED.

+IT IS A MATTER OF PROPORTION,+ HE EXPLAINED, +THE TEXTILES INDUSTRY HAS SUCH A VERY LARGE BASE. BUT THIS SHOULD NOT HIDE THE FACT THAT WE ARE MOVING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION OF DIVERSIFICATION AND OVERALL INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT.+

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OVER 104,000 PUPILS TOOK ACADEMIC APTITUDE TEST
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MORE THAN 104,000 PRIMARY 6 PUPILS THIS (TUESDAY) AFTERNOON SAT FOR THE FIRST ACADEMIC APTITUDE TEST (A.A.T.) AT 277 CENTRES THROUGHOUT HONG KONG.

THE TEST BEGAN AT 2 P.M. WITH THE PAPER ON NUMERICAL REASONING. PUPILS WERE ALLOWED 45 MINUTES TO FINISH THE PAPER.

AFTER A 50-MINUTE BREAK, PUPILS TOOK THE VERBAL REASONING PAPER FROM 3.35 P.M. TO 4.20 P.M.

FIVE DISTRIBUTION AND COLLECTION CENTRES WERE SET UP FOR PRESIDING INVIGILATORS OR THEIR DEPUTIES TO COLLECT AND RETURN QUESTION BOOKS AND ANSWER SHEETS.

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SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS WERE MADE FOR THE TEST CENTRES AT SAI KUNG, SHA TIN, TAI PO, FANLING, SHEUNG SHUI, SHA TAU KOK, LANTAO AND CHEUNG CHAU. THESE CENTRES HAD THE QUESTION BOOKS AND ANSWER SHEETS DELIVERED AND COLLECTED BY EDUCATION DEPARTMENT STAFF WITH THE CO-OPERATION OF THE DISTRICT OFFICE (ISLANDS) AND THE MARINE DEPARTMENT.

MR. KENNETH C.P. LEE, SENIOR EDUCATION OFFICER (SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES ALLOCATION) SAID, +UNLIKE THE SECONDARY SCHOOL ENTRANCE EXAMINATION, THE A.A.T. IS NOT AN EXAMINATION FOR SELECTION, AND HAS NO SYLLABUS.

+GENERALLY IT HAS NO DIRECT EFFECT ON AN INDIVIDUAL PUPIL'S ALLOCATION OF A SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACE, BECAUSE UNDER THE NEW SYSTEM OF ALLOCATION OF SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES, A PUPIL'S CHANCES OF BEING ALLOCATED TO A SECONDARY SCHOOL OF HIS CHOICE DEPEND ON HIS PERFORMANCE IN HIS OWN SCHOOL.

+INTERNAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE SECOND TERM OF PRIMARY 5 AND THOSE FOR THE FIRST AND SECOND TERMS OF PRIMARY 6 ARE WEIGHTED, COMPUTERISED AND PUT INTO AN ORDER OF MERIT WITHIN THE SCHOOL. ALLOCATION IS BASED MAINLY ON THIS ORDER OF MERIT. PERFORMANCE IN THE A.A.T. IS USED TO SCALE AND CONVERT THESE INTERNAL ASSESSMENTS SO THAT AFTER CONVERSION, THE INTERNAL ASSESSMENTS OF DIFFERENT SCHOOLS MAY BE PUT INTO AN ORDER OF MERIT BY 24 SCHOOL NETS IN THE WHOLE TERRITORY.

+THIS ORDER OF MERIT BY NET IS DIVIDED INTO FIVE BANDS AND ALLOCATION WILL START FROM THE FIRST BAND TO THE SECOND AND SUBSEQUENT BANDS UNTIL ALL PUPILS IN THE NET ARE ALLOCATED A JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACE ACCORDING TO THEIR CHOICES,+ MR. LEE SAID.

INTERNAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE SECOND TERM OF THE PRIMARY 5 OF THE 1976-1977 YEAR HAVE BEEN COMPUTERISED BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT. PRIMARY SCHOOL HEADS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT INTERNAL ASSESSMENTS OF PRIMARY 6 PUPILS OF THE CURRENT YEAR ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 14, 1978, FOR THE FIRST TERM AND MAY 15, 1978, FOR THE SECOND TERM.

MR. LEE SAID: +IT IS HOPED THAT RESULTS OF ALLOCATION WILL BE PUBLISHED BY MID-JULY, 1978 AND IT IS MOST IMPORTANT THAT THE DATES WHICH I HAVE JUST MENTIONED ARE OBSERVED TO AVOID DELAY IN THE PUBLICATION OF ALLOCATION RESULTS.+

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UNOFFICIALS TO RAISE 18 QUESTIONS IN LEGCO TOMORROW

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THE UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS ARE EXPECTED TO RAISE A TOTAL OF 18 QUESTIONS ON A WIDE RANGE OF SUBJECTS DURING THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SITTING TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY).

DR. THE HON. S.Y. CHUNG IS TO ASK THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO EXPLAIN THE CIRCUMSTANCES LEADING TO HIS DECISION TO PROSECUTE ONLY ONE PERSON (AN EX-POLICEMAN) IN THE POLICE/ICAC INCIDENT AT HUTCHISON HOUSE ON OCTOBER 28.

THE HON. HILTON CHEONG-LEEN IS TO RAISE A QUESTION ON WHETHER GOVERNMENT WILL CONSIDER WITHDRAWING AND RE-DESIGNING THE RECENTLY INTRODUCED 50 CENTS COINS IN ORDER TO MINIMISE POSSIBLE CONFUSION BETWEEN THEM AND THE 10 CENTS COINS IN CIRCULATION.

REV. THE HON. JOYCE M. BENNETT WILL ASK WHETHER THE GOVERNMENT WILL APPOINT A COMMISSION TO ENQUIRE INTO THE CIRCUMSTANCES LEADING TO THE DEATH OF MR. LIU PING-HON AND THE HON. T.S. LO WILL RAISE A QUESTION ON WHY THE HONG KONG AND YAUMATI FERRY CO. WAS PERMITTED TO INSTALL AN AUTOMATIC TURNSTILE FOR PASSENGERS TRAVELLING BETWEEN CENTRAL AND JORDAN ROAD AT 50 CENTS A TRIP INSTEAD OF THE STATUORY ADULT FARE OF 40 CENTS.

THE OTHER QUESTIONS ARE RELATED TO SOCIAL SERVICES, ILLUMINATION OF ROADS, SCHOOL MEDICAL SERVICE SCHEME, AND POLLUTION.

DURING TOMORROW'S SITTING, FOUR BILLS WILL BE INTRODUCED INTO THE COUNCIL FOR FIRST AND SECOND READINGS. THEY ARE THE HONG KONG TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (AMENDMENT) BILL 1977, THE LANDLORD AND TENANT (CONSOLIDATION) (AMENDMENT) BILL 1977, THE FACTORIES AND INDUSTRIAL UNDERTAKINGS (AMENDMENT) BILL 1977 AND THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION (AMENDMENT) (NO. 3) BILL 1977.

DEBATE WILL RESUME ON THE POLICE FORCE (AMENDMENT) (NO. 3) BILL 1977 AND THE LAW REVISION (MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS) BILL 1977.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HONG KONG PRODUCTIVITY COUNCIL 1976-77 WILL BE TABLED IN THE COUNCIL.

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GOVERNMENT TAKES STEPS TO IMPROVE INDUSTRIAL TRAINING

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THE GOVERNMENT HAS TAKEN AN IMPORTANT STEP IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF INDUSTRIAL TRAINING IN HONG KONG WITH THE INTRODUCTION OF A NEW COURSE ON SKILLS ANALYSIS.

THE COURSE, ORGANISED BY THE HONG KONG TECHNICAL TEACHERS' COLLEGE STARTED LAST MONTH UNDER THE SPONSORSHIP OF THE COMMONWEALTH FUND FOR TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION AND THE GUIDANCE OF MR. DOUGLAS SEYMOUR, AN HONORARY RESEARCH FELLOW OF THE UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM, ENGLAND.

MR. SEYMOUR SAID THAT THE AIM OF THE COURSE WAS TO INTRODUCE THE CONCEPT AND PROCEDURE OF SKILLS ANALYSIS TO HONG KONG INDUSTRIES. ONE OF THE BENEFITS OF SKILLS ANALYSIS, MR. SEYMOUR SAID WAS THAT A NEW FACTORY WORKER TRAINED UNDER A PROGRAMME DRAWN UP THROUGH SKILLS ANALYSIS SHOULD BE ABLE TO REACH THE STANDARD OF AN EXPERIENCED WORKER AT BETWEEN 50 AND 60 PER CENT OF THE TIME THAN IF NOT TRAINED UNDER THIS PROGRAMME.

+INCREASED PRODUCTIVITY AND IMPROVED QUALITY IN GOODS PRODUCED WILL FOLLOW BECAUSE THE NEW WORKER IS THOROUGHLY TRAINED. REDUCTION IN THE NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS CAN ALSO BE EXPECTED WHEN WORKERS ARE TRAINED IN THE QUICKEST AND SAFEST WAY OF WORKING,+ HE ADDED.

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT THE TECHNICAL TEACHERS' COLLEGE HAS ORGANISED A COURSE SOLELY ON SKILLS ANALYSIS WHICH USED TO BE ONLY PART OF A GENERAL TRAINING FOR INTENDING TECHNICAL TEACHERS.

+PARTICIPANTS IN THE COURSE ARE TRAINED IN THE METHODS OF IDENTIFYING TRAINING NEEDS, TO DESIGN SCHEMES OF TRAINING FOR INDUSTRIAL TASKS AND IN THE METHODS OF ORGANISING TRAINING OF ITS EVALUATION,+ MR. SEYMOUR EXPLAINED.

THERE ARE 18 PARTICIPANTS, SIX OF THEM ARE LECTURERS OF THE TECHNICAL TEACHERS' COLLEGE WHO WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ORGANISING SIMILAR COURSES IN FUTURE. THE OTHER 12 ARE FROM VARIOUS GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND LARGE LOCAL FIRMS.

FOR FOUR WEEKS, PARTICIPANTS HAVE TO ATTEND LECTURES, TUTORIALS AND TO CARRY OUT PRACTICAL EXERCISES, THE MOST IMPORTANT BEING A WEEK-LONG INDUSTRIAL EXERCISE IN WHICH THEY ARE REQUIRED TO APPLY THE TECHNIQUES THEY HAVE LEARNED AT THEIR OWN PLACE OF WORK.

TO GIVE THE COURSE ITS HONG KONG SETTING, HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG AND PERSONNEL OR TRAINING MANAGERS OF LOCAL FIRMS ARE INVITED TO GIVE LECTURES. LECTURERS FROM THE TECHNICAL TEACHERS' COLLEGE ARE ALSO ON HAND TO ASSIST MR. SEYMOUR.

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MR. SEYMOUR WILL ALSO BE HELPING THE COLLEGE TO BUILD UP A CURRICULUM AND A BIBLIOGRAPHY ON SKILLS ANALYSIS, AND TO SET UP A LIBRARY.

+HOPEFULLY THROUGH THE EFFORTS OF THE COLLEGE, A CENTRE OF EXPERTISE ON SKILLS ANALYSIS WILL BE ESTABLISHED IN HONG KONG FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL INDUSTRIES,+ MR. SEYMOUR SAID.

MR. SEYMOUR WILL BE LEAVING HONG KONG LATER THIS MONTH BUT WILL RETURN NEXT MARCH FOR TWO WEEKS OF CONSULTATIONS WITH PARTICIPANTS OF THE COURSE.

HE IS ALSO EXPECTED TO MEET VARIOUS MANAGEMENT BODIES DURING HIS SECOND VISIT.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

RTHK TO CELEBRATE ITS GOLDEN JUBILEE
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A PRESS CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD BY RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG IN ITS STUDIO AT BROADCAST DRIVE, KOWLOON AT 12.30 P.M. TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) TO ANNOUNCE THE DETAILS OF PROGRAMMES THAT HAVE BEEN LINED UP TO CELEBRATE RTHK'S GOLDEN JUBILEE NEXT YEAR.

THE PROGRAMMES WILL INCLUDE A HONG KONG OPEN-AIR DRAWING COMPETITION WHICH IS TO BE HELD IN CONNECTION WITH RTHK'S EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME +CASTOR AND POLLUX+ AND A GOLDEN JUBILEE SLOGAN COMPETITION.

THE DIRECTOR OF BROADCASTING, MR. JAMES HAWTHORNE, WILL CHAIR THE CONFERENCE.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND YOUR REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND THE CONFERENCE.

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SNT PRAISES DIRECTORS OF YAN CHAI HOSPITAL
FOR DIVERSIFYING THEIR SERVICES

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THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR. DAVID AKERS-JONES TODAY PRAISED THE DIRECTORS OF YAN CHAI HOSPITAL FOR THEIR FORESIGHT IN DIVERSIFYING THEIR SERVICES TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE YAN CHAI HOSPITAL'S ANNUAL +DIRECTORS' CUP+ FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT AT YEUNG UK ROAD SPORTS GROUND IN TSUEN WAN, MR. AKERS-JONES DESCRIBED THE SPORT EVENT AS A RESPONSE TO THE MULTIPLE LOCAL NEEDS IN THE DISTRICT.

HE SAID: +FOR A FAST DEVELOPING NEW TOWN WHICH IS UNDER CONSTANT PRESSURES FROM URBANISATION AND INDUSTRIALISATION, RECREATION AND SPORTS ARE ESSENTIAL TO MAINTAIN A HEALTHY COMMUNITY.+

HE WAS GLAD TO SEE THAT THE DIRECTORS OF THE HOSPITAL HAD GRADUALLY BRANCHED OUT THEIR ACTIVITIES, FROM THE PROVISION OF MEDICAL SERVICES TO OTHER FORMS OF SOCIAL SERVICES.

+TODAY, WE HAVE COME TO WITNESS THE GOOD WORK OF YAN CHAI IN THE PROMOTION OF RECREATION AND SPORTS ACTIVITIES FOR THE RESIDENTS IN TSUEN WAN,+ HE SAID.

MR. AKERS-JONES DOTTED THE EYES OF A DRAGON AND CUT THE RIBBONS TO MARK THE OCCASION BEFORE HE KICKED OFF THE TOURNAMENT.

IN THE TOURNAMENT, 12 FOOTBALL TEAMS WILL BE PLAYING MATCHES DURING THE COMING TWO MONTHS TO VIE FOR THE +DIRECTORS' CUP+.

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PAMPHLET ON WORKERS' LEAVES

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THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT HAS PRODUCED A NEW PAMPHLET EXPLAINING THE LAW GOVERNING REST DAYS, STATUTORY HOLIDAYS AND PAID ANNUAL LEAVE UNDER THE EMPLOYMENT ORDINANCE WHICH COVERS ALL MANUAL WORKERS IRRESPECTIVE OF THEIR MONTHLY EARNINGS AND NON-MANUAL EMPLOYEES EARNING NOT MORE THAN \$2,000 A MONTH.

THE PAMPHLET, PUBLISHED IN ENGLISH AND CHINESE, AND DESIGNED FOR EASY REFERENCE FOR BOTH EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES, INCORPORATES THE CONTENTS OF TWO PREVIOUS PAMPHLETS - +THE GUIDE TO THE PROVISIONS FOR REST DAYS,+ AND +THE GUIDE TO THE PROVISIONS FOR HOLIDAYS WITH PAY.+

IN ADDITION, IT GIVES A SIMPLE BUT CONCISE GUIDE TO THE NEW PAID ANNUAL LEAVE LEGISLATION WHICH IS DUE TO COME INTO EFFECT ON JANUARY 1, NEXT YEAR.

THE PAMPHLET IS NOW AVAILABLE FREE OF CHARGE FROM THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE AT NEW POST OFFICE BUILDING IN CONNAUGHT PLACE, AND OFFICES OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT.

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OVERSEAS ENGINEERS VISIT DESALTING PLANT

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SOME 40 ENGINEERS WHO RECENTLY ATTENDED THE INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON DESALINATION AND WATER RE-USE IN TOKYO THIS (TUESDAY) AFTERNOON VISITED THE LOK ON PAI DESALTER, THE BIGGEST PLANT OF ITS TYPE IN WORLD.

ACCOMPANYING THEM WAS MR. LAU TO-HIN, GOVERNMENT WATER ENGINEER (DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING) OF THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT OF THE P.W.D.

THE VISITORS WERE BRIEFED ON THE OPERATIONAL FEATURES OF THE DESALTER BY MR. E.J. EVANS, SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER OF LOK ON PAI DESALTER.

MR. EVANS POINTED OUT THAT SINCE SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR, THE DESALTER HAS PRODUCED ITS DESIGNED DAILY OUTPUT OF 181,800 CUBIC METRES (40 MILLION GALLONS) OF FRESH WATER EVERY DAY.

THE TOKYO CONGRESS WAS SPONSORED JOINTLY BY THE INTERNATIONAL DESALINATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASSOCIATION (IDEA), OF WHICH HONG KONG IS A MEMBER, AND THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY OF JAPAN (MITI).

TWO SENIOR OFFICERS OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPRESENTED HONG KONG AT THE CONGRESS.

THEY ARE MR. WU YU-NGONG, CHIEF MECHANICAL ENGINEER (DESALTING) AND MR. PAU MAN-YUK, SENIOR MECHANICAL ENGINEER (DESALTING), OF THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT.

SOME 400 REPRESENTATIVES FROM VARIOUS PARTS OF THE WORLD, INCLUDING THE UNITED STATES, BRITAIN, WEST GERMANY, CANADA AND A NUMBER OF MIDDLE EAST COUNTRIES, ATTENDED THE MEETING DURING WHICH THEY EXCHANGED THEIR LATEST TECHNOLOGY AND EXPERIENCE ON DESALINATION.

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