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27 SEATS FOR UC, RC ELECTIONS
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HONG KONG HAS BEEN DIVIDED INTO 27 CONSTITUENCIES, EACH RETURNING ONE SEAT IN THE ELECTIONS TO THE URBAN COUNCIL AND REGIONAL COUNCIL ON MARCH 6.

THE PERIOD FOR THE NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES IN THE TWO ELECTIONS IS JANUARY 3 TO 31.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID: +ALL CONSTITUENCIES ARE MAPPED OUT ON A GEOGRAPHICAL BASIS AND DISTRIBUTION OF POPULATION.+

THERE WILL BE 12 CONSTITUENCIES IN THE REGIONAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS IN NINE DISTRICTS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, AND 15 FOR THE URBAN COUNCIL IN 10 URBAN DISTRICTS.

THREE NEW TOWNS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES AND FIVE URBAN DISTRICTS WILL EACH HAVE TWO CONSTITUENCIES. THEY ARE SHA TIN (SHA TIN EAST AND SHA TIN WEST); TUEN MUN (TUEN MUN EAST AND TUEN MUN WEST); KWAI CHUNG AND TSING YI (KWAI CHUNG EAST AND KWAI CHUNG WEST AND TSING YI) IN THE NT; SHAM SHUI PO (SHAM SHUI PO EAST AND SHAM SHUI PO WEST); KOWLOON CITY (KOWLOON CITY EAST AND KOWLOON CITY WEST); WONG TAI SIN (WONG TAI SIN NORTH AND WONG TAI SIN SOUTH); KWUN TONG (KWUN TONG EAST AND KWUN TONG WEST; AND EASTERN (NORTH POINT AND SHAU KEI WAN) IN THE URBAN AREA.

THE DISTRICTS WITH SINGLE CONSTITUENCIES ARE ISLANDS, TSUEN WAN, YUEN LONG, SAI KUNG, TAI PO AND NORTH DISTRICT IN THE NEW TERRITORIES; CENTRAL AND WESTERN, WAN CHAI, SOUTHERN, MONG KOK AND YAU MA TEI IN THE URBAN AREA.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CAN NOW OBTAIN FREE COPIES OF THE DISTRICT-BASED CONSTITUENCY MAPS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE DISTRICT OFFICES, HE ADDED.

+ACCORDING TO THE PROVISIONAL ELECTORAL ROLL, THERE ARE 996 827 ELECTORS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE IN THE URBAN REGIONAL ELECTIONS, AND 442 790 IN THE REGIONAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS,+ HE SAID.

HE POINTED OUT THAT ANYONE AGED 21 OR ABOVE AND HAVE NOT REGISTERED, WILL HAVE A SECOND CHANCE TO BECOME A REGISTERED ELECTOR FROM NOW TO NOVEMBER 20.

THEY CAN OBTAIN APPLICATION FORMS FROM ANY DISTRICT OFFICE AND GO IN PERSON TO REGISTER AT THE REGISTRATION AND ELECTORAL DIVISION AT HARBOUR CENTRE, 10TH FLOOR, 25 HARBOUR ROAD, WAN CHAI.

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COMMITTEE TO MONITOR SHA TAU KOK DEVELOPMENT

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THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE HAS SET UP A COMMITTEE TO MONITOR THE PROGRESS OF DEVELOPMENTS AT SHA TAU KOK.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE LOCAL RURAL COMMITTEE, MR LAU YAM-MAN, HAS BEEN APPOINTED CHAIRMAN.

THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR IAN WOTHERSPOON SAID: +THE REDEVELOPMENT WORK AT SHA TAU KOK WILL START NEXT YEAR AND IS SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION IN 1994 AT AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$200 MILLION.

+THE COMMITTEE WILL OVERSEE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROJECT, AND HELP REFLECT THE VIEWS OF LOCAL RESIDENTS ON VARIOUS PROBLEMS TO THE GOVERNMENT DURING THE REDEVELOPMENT PROCESS,+ HE SAID.

+MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE WILL ALSO HELP EXPLAIN DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS TO LOCAL RESIDENTS,+ MR WOTHERSPOON ADDED.

MR LAU YAM-MAN SAID HE WAS DELIGHTED TO ACCEPT THE APPOINTMENT BECAUSE THE PROJECT WOULD GREATLY IMPROVE THE LIVING STANDARD IN SHA TAU KOK.

CHAired BY MR LAU, THE COMMITTEE IS MADE UP OF THE TWO VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE SHA TAU KOK RURAL COMMITTEE, A NORTH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER, VILLAGE REPRESENTATIVES OF YIM LIU HA, KONG HA AND TSOI YUEN KOK, AND OFFICIALS FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICE, THE TAI PO AND FANLING DEVELOPMENT OFFICE AND THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT.

THE REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT INCLUDES THE CONSTRUCTION OF A RURAL PUBLIC HOUSING TO ACCOMMODATE THE 4 500 SQUATTERS FROM YIM LIU HA AND TSOI YUEN KOK, WHICH REPRESENT 90 PER CENT OF THE EXISTING POPULATION AT SHA TAU KOK.

WORK ON THE FIRST PHASE OF THE RURAL PUBLIC HOUSING IS DUE TO COMMENCE IN THE MIDDLE OF NEXT YEAR, AND IS SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION TOWARDS THE END OF 1987. THE SECOND PHASE IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED BY THE END OF 1988.

THE EXISTING SQUATTER HUTS OF YIM LIU HA WILL BE CLEARED TO MAKE WAY FOR A LANDSCAPED WATERFRONT PROMENADE, AND A SHELTERED ANCHORAGE FOR THE AREA'S FISHING FLEET.

SQUATTERS FROM TSOI YUEN KOK WILL BE REHOUSED IN THE EASTERN PART OF THE RURAL HOUSING ESTATE, WHICH WILL INCLUDE A LANDSCAPED TOWN SQUARE, PROVIDING A FOCAL POINT FOR SOCIAL ACTIVITIES IN SHA TAU KOK.

OTHER COMMUNITY FACILITIES TO BE PROVIDED INCLUDE A RECREATION GROUND, A SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT, A PRIMARY SCHOOL, A NEW POLICE STATION AND A NEW FIRE STATION.

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MORE TO VIE FOR CUSTOMS INSPECTOR POSTS

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A TOTAL OF 2 400 MEN AND WOMEN BETWEEN THE AGES OF 19 AND 28 HAVE APPLIED FOR INSPECTORS WITH THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DEPARTMENT, YET ONLY 23 OF THEM WILL BE SUCCESSFUL.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID THE RESPONSE TO THE LATEST RECRUITMENT EXERCISE, WHICH BEGAN ABOUT THREE MONTHS AGO, WAS ENCOURAGING.

+BUT WITH JUST 23 POSTS ON OFFER, SELECTING THE MOST SUITABLE CANDIDATES IS NO EASY TASK FOR THE DEPARTMENT,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

TO HELP SELECT THE BEST PERSONS FOR THE JOB, THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DEPARTMENT HAS INTRODUCED A SYSTEM OF EXTENDED INTERVIEWS INTO THE BASIC RECRUITMENT PROGRAMME.

APART FROM THE USUAL PRELIMINARY INTERVIEWS, CANDIDATES WILL HAVE TO TAKE PART IN A TWO-DAY PROGRAMME DURING WHICH THEY WILL GO THROUGH A SERIES OF TESTS.

THE PROGRAMME IS SPECIALLY DEvised TO GIVE A MORE RELIABLE ASSESSMENT OF A CANDIDATE'S INTELLIGENCE, HIS APTITUDE FOR A CAREER IN A DISCIPLINE SERVICE, AND HIS POTENTIAL AS A LEADER - QUALITIES THAT ARE OFTEN DIFFICULT TO GAUGE FROM JUST A SHORT INTERVIEW.

THERE ARE ALTOGETHER EIGHT DIFFERENT TYPES OF TESTS INCLUDING TESTS ON ENGLISH, BASIC FOOT DRILL, LEADERSHIP EXERCISES, DELIVERING SHORT LECTURES, WRITTEN TEST ON CUSTOMS AND EXCISE WORK AS WELL AS A GENERAL KNOWLEDGE TEST.

DURING THE RECENTLY COMPLETED SERIES OF EXTENDED INTERVIEWS, APPLICANTS WENT THROUGH THEIR TESTS AT THE DEPARTMENT'S TRAINING SCHOOL IN TAI LAM, NEW TERRITORIES.

THE COMMANDANT OF THE TRAINING SCHOOL, MR WU KWAI-HUNG, SAID: +ALTHOUGH IT IS THE FIRST TIME WE HAVE USED EXTENDED INTERVIEWS IN OUR RECRUITMENT EXERCISE, WE HAVE BEEN VERY SATISFIED WITH THE RESULTS.

+THE FACT THAT WE NOW HAVE TWO DAYS TO OBSERVE A CANDIDATE IN A VARIETY OF TEST SITUATIONS INSTEAD OF HAVING TO MAKE A DECISION ON THE BASIS OF A SHORT INTERVIEW, AS WAS THE CASE IN THE PAST, IS OBVIOUSLY A GREAT HELP TO US IN FINDING THE RIGHT PERSON FOR THE JOB.

+FROM THE CANDIDATES' POINT OF VIEW IT IS ALSO FAIRER AND IT GIVES THEM AN IDEA OF WHETHER THEY FIT THE JOB.+

OUT OF THE 2 400 INITIAL APPLICANTS, 1 712 WERE INVITED FOR PRELIMINARY INTERVIEWS AND OF THESE, 72 OF THE MOST PROMISING WERE CHOSEN FOR THE TWO-DAY EXTENDED INTERVIEWS.

/MR WU

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MR WU SAID THAT ALTHOUGH THE BASIC EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENT FOR THE INSPECTOR GRADE IS COMPLETION OF FORM FIVE WITH THREE SUBJECTS INCLUDING ENGLISH LANGUAGE AT GRADE C AND TWO OTHER SUBJECTS AT GRADE E IN THE HONG KONG CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION, AN INCREASING NUMBER OF APPLICANTS COME WITH A UNIVERSITY DEGREE.

+OF COURSE WE ARE HAPPY THAT YOUNG PEOPLE WITH HIGHER ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS ARE KEEN TO JOIN THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DEPARTMENT BUT WE ARE A DISCIPLINED FORCE AND APART FROM PAPER QUALIFICATIONS WE ARE ALSO LOOKING FOR OTHER QUALITIES,+ SAID MR WU.

+PHYSICAL FITNESS IS IMPORTANT BECAUSE THE JOB OF A CUSTOMS OFFICER IS OFTEN AN ARDUOUS ONE BUT, MORE THAN THAT, WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN WITH A SENSE OF SELF-DISCIPLINE WHO ARE ACTIVE AND INTELLIGENT, HAVE A WELL-ROUNDED PERSONALITY AND WHO IN TURN ARE LOOKING FOR A CHALLENGING AND INTERESTING CAREER,+ HE SAID.

CANDIDATES WHO PASSED THE EXTENDED INTERVIEWS WERE RECENTLY CALLED FOR THEIR FINAL INTERVIEWS.

WHEN THE CANDIDATES ARE FINALLY SELECTED FOR THE 23 POSTS, THEY WILL BE SENT TO THE TRAINING SCHOOL FOR A SIX-MONTH TRAINING COURSE.

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REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY

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A REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY WAS HELD AT THE CENOTAPH ON STATUE SQUARE THIS (SUNDAY) MORNING IN HONOUR OF THOSE WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES IN ACTIVE SERVICE.

WREATHS WERE LAID BY THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE; THE CHIEF JUSTICE, SIR DENYS ROBERTS; THE COMMANDER BRITISH FORCES, MAJOR-GENERAL ANTHONY BOAM; REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCILS; COMMONWEALTH COMMISSIONERS; THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, MR RAYMON ANNING; THE CHAIRMAN OF THE URBAN COUNCIL, MR HITLON CHEONG-LEEN; THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PROVISIONAL REGIONAL COUNCIL, MR CHEUNG YAN-LUNG; SERVICE COMMANDERS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION, SERVICE UNITS, TRADITIONAL COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS, EX-SERVICEMEN'S ASSOCIATIONS, SOCIETIES AND OTHER BODIES.

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MEANWHILE, THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT OBSERVED THE REMEMBRANCE DAY WITH A SERVICE IN THE MAIN HALL OF THE OFFICERS' CLUB IN STANLEY.

THE SERVICE WAS ATTENDED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES, MR CHAN WA-SHEK, STAFF AND FRIENDS OF THE DEPARTMENT.

AFTER THE SERVICE, THE CONGREGATION, LED BY THE CAPE COLLINSON BAND, MARCHED TO STANLEY MILITARY CEMETERY AND JOINED IN A WREATH-LAYING CEREMONY.

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WATER TREATMENT PLANT CONTRACT IN THE WORKS *****

THE GOVERNMENT AND GATX-FULLER AUSTRALASIA PTY. LTD. HAS SIGNED A \$52 MILLION CONTRACT FOR THE SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT AT THE PAK KONG WATER TREATMENT WORKS TO BE CONSTRUCTED NEAR SAI KUNG TOWN.

THE CONTRACT WAS SIGNED RECENTLY BY THE DIRECTOR OF WATER SUPPLIES, MR T.H. TOMLINSON, AND THE MANAGING DIRECTOR OF GATX-FULLER AUSTRALASIA, MR J.T. PILKINGTON.

THE PLANT IS PART OF A MAJOR SCHEME TO SUPPLY FRESH WATER TO THE PROPOSED JUNK BAY NEW TOWN, SAI KUNG TOWNSHIP AND TO SUPPLEMENT SUPPLIES FROM THE SHA TIN TREATMENT WORKS TO THE EASTERN PARTS OF NEW KOWLOON AND HONG KONG ISLAND.

THE SCHEME COMPRISES A TREATMENT WORKS AND PUMPING STATION AT PAK KONG, A LARGE DIAMETER PUMPING AQUEDUCT WITH COMBINED TUNNEL AND PIPELINE SECTIONS DELIVERING TREATED WATER TO A 90 000 CUBIC METRE CAPACITY PRIMARY SERVICE RESERVOIR AT JUNK BAY AND GRAVITY MAINS FROM THE RESERVOIR TO CONNECT WITH THE EXISTING DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM IN KWUN TONG AND PROVIDE A CROSS-HARBOUR LINK TO HONG KONG ISLAND.

THE CAPACITY OF THE PAK KONG TREATMENT WORKS WILL BE 273 MEGALITRES PER DAY. WORKS WILL INCLUDE SIX FLAT-BOTTOMED, RECTANGULAR, SLUDGE BLANKET CLARIFIERS EACH 54 METRES BY 12 METRES AND EIGHT, DUAL-MEDIA, RAPID GRAVITY FILTERS, TOGETHER WITH THE ASSOCIATED CHEMICAL HANDLING FACILITIES, DOSING EQUIPMENT AND CONTROLS.

IT WILL BE THE SECOND LARGEST OF THE 17 TREATMENT WORKS OPERATED BY THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT.

MANUFACTURE, DELIVERY AND TREATMENT PLANT INSTALLATION IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN ABOUT TWO AND A HALF YEARS TIME.

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NEW GREEN MINIBUS ROUTES TO STRENGTHEN SERVICE
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TENDERS WILL BE INVITED FOR RUNNING 24 NEW GREEN MINIBUS ROUTES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, KOWLOON AND HONG KONG ISLAND, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

THE NEW GREEN MINIBUS ROUTES ARE IN ABERDEEN, WONG TAI SIN, SHAM SHUI PO, KWUN TONG, YUEN LONG, NORTH DISTRICT, TUEN MUN AND TSUEN WAN. DETAILS OF THE ROUTES WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE ON NOVEMBER 15.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE MADE ON THE APPROPRIATE APPLICATION FORM ENTITLED '+APPLICATION FOR PASSENGER SERVICE LICENCE - PUBLIC LIGHT BUS (SCHEDULED) SERVICE+', OBTAINABLE FREE OF CHARGE ON REQUEST FROM THE FOLLOWING OFFICES FROM NOVEMBER 15:

- * THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS AT SIXTH FLOOR, GUARDIAN HOUSE, 32 01 KWAN ROAD, WAN CHAI, HONG KONG.
- * THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT KOWLOON REGIONAL OFFICE AT 25TH FLOOR, PARK-IN COMMERCIAL CENTRE, 56 DUNDAS STREET.
- * THE HONG KONG LICENSING OFFICE AT GROUND FLOOR, 2 MURRAY ROAD.
- * THE KOWLOON LICENSING OFFICE AT NINTH FLOOR, PARK-IN COMMERCIAL CENTRE, 56 DUNDAS STREET.
- * THE KWUN TONG LICENSING OFFICE AT FIFTH FLOOR, KOWLOON EAST GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 12 LEI YUE MUN ROAD.
- * THE SHA TIN LICENSING OFFICE AT KCR HOUSE, SHA TIN STATION.
- * ALL DISTRICT OFFICES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

COMPLETED APPLICATION FORMS MUST BE RETURNED BY REGISTERED POST TO REACH THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS AT SIXTH FLOOR, GUARDIAN HOUSE, 32 01 KWAN ROAD, WAN CHAI, ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 13. APPLICATIONS BY ANY OTHER MEANS OR LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

THE NEW ROUTES ARE EXPECTED TO BE INTRODUCED AROUND JULY NEXT YEAR.

A SELECTION BOARD COMPRISING AN UNOFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE TRANSPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND OFFICIALS FROM THE TRANSPORT AND OTHER GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS WILL SELECT THE APPLICANTS ON THE BASIS OF THE ESTABLISHED CRITERIA LAID DOWN BY THE BOARD.

THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED LAST MONTH THAT PROPERLY INCORPORATED COMPANIES WILL ALSO BE GRANTED PASSENGER SERVICE LICENCE FOR THE OPERATION OF GREEN MINIBUS SERVICES OTHER THAN TO INDIVIDUALS.

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NORTH POINT BUILDINGS IMPROVED FOR RESIDENTS

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RESIDENTS OF TWO BUILDINGS IN NORTH POINT NOW HAVE A BETTER ENVIRONMENT TO LIVE IN, THANKS TO THE EFFORTS OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT BUILDING MANAGEMENT CO-ORDINATION TEAM.

DEFECTIVE FIRE FIGHTING INSTALLATIONS HAVE BEEN REPLACED AND OBSTRUCTIONS REMOVED FROM THE NAM TIN BUILDING AND EMPIRE BUILDING THROUGH EFFORTS OF THE TEAM AND WITH THE CO-OPERATION OF THE OWNERS CORPORATIONS OF THE TWO BUILDINGS.

THE HOUSING MANAGER OF THE BUILDING MANAGEMENT CO-ORDINATION TEAM, MR LIN KA-TIN, SAID THE TWO BUILDINGS WERE BUILT IN THE 1960S AND NOW HAD A TOTAL OF ABOUT 1 000 RESIDENTS IN 167 DOMESTIC UNITS.

+THEY WERE AMONG THE 30 BUILDINGS CHOSEN BY THE TEAM FOR IMPROVING THE ENVIRONMENT,+ HE SAID.

+WHEN WE INSPECTED NAM TIN BUILDING, THE FIRE FIGHTING INSTALLATIONS WERE TOTALLY NOT OPERABLE, WITH THE FIRE HOSE REELS ON ALL 19 FLOORS OF THE BUILDING AND FIRE PUMP ON THE ROOF HAVING DETERIORATED TO AN UNSERVICABLE STATE,+ HE ADDED.

+THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT HAS PROVIDED VALUABLE ASSISTANCE AND ADVICE IN HELPING TO REMEDY THE PROBLEMS, AND AFTER SEVERAL WORKING SEMINARS ARRANGED FOR THE OWNERS CORPORATIONS BY THE TEAM, THE DEFECTIVE FIRE FIGHTING INSTALLATIONS WERE REPLACED,+ HE SAID.

THE BUILDING'S LIGHT WELL, WHICH WAS UNHYGENIC AND FILLED WITH REFUSE, HAD BEEN CLEANED UP AND WAS NOW PROPERLY MAINTAINED.

+IN THE EMPIRE BUILDING, THE SITUATION WAS SIMILAR, WITH MORE THAN 90 PER CENT OF THE SMOKE DOORS BADLY DAMAGED OR DEFECTIVE. FOLLOWING THE ADVICE OF THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND OUR TEAM, THE BUILDING'S OWNERS CORPORATION REPLACED THE DAMAGED SMOKE DOORS,+ SAID MR LIN.

THE OWNERS CORPORATION ALSO REPLACED MANY OF THE WORN OUT WINDOW PANES ALONG THE CORRIDORS AND AT STAIRCASES.

THE RECENT IMPROVEMENTS ARE JUST SOME OF THE MANY EXAMPLES OF THE CONTINUOUS EFFORT OF THE BUILDING MANAGEMENT CO-ORDINATION TEAM, WHICH WAS SET UP UNDER THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICE IN MAY.

THE TEAM ADVISES RESIDENTS AND LOCAL ORGANISATIONS ON HOW TO DEAL WITH ENVIRONMENTAL AND MANAGEMENT PROBLEMS IN PRIVATE BUILDINGS.

TO DATE, ABOUT 30 BUILDINGS FOUND TO HAVE VARIOUS PROBLEMS, HAVE BEEN INSPECTED BY THE TEAM.

+ON THE TEAM'S ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE, CLEANSING AND REPAIR WORKS HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT ON MANY OF THESE BUILDINGS TO PROVIDE A SAFER AND HEALTHIER PLACE FOR RESIDENTS,+ MR LIN SAID.

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U.K. SCHOLARSHIP FOR HK STUDENT
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A SCHOLARSHIP IS BEING OFFERED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM TO ENABLE THE SELECTED CANDIDATE TO FOLLOW AN UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE COURSE AT THE UNIVERSITY IN ENGLAND.

THE UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM-HONG KONG SCHOLARSHIP 1986 (UNDERGRADUATE) IS OFFERED FOR THE NORMAL DURATION OF THE DEGREE COURSE FOR WHICH THE SELECTED CANDIDATE IS ACCEPTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SAID.

APPLICATION FORMS AND PARTICULARS CONCERNING THE SCHOLARSHIP ARE NOW OBTAINABLE FROM THE OVERSEAS STUDENTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS SECTION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AT ROOM 1522, LEIGHTON CENTRE, 77 LEIGHTON ROAD, CAUSEWAY BAY.

APPLICANTS SHOULD BE AGED FROM 18 TO 25 AND HAVING RESIDED IN HONG KONG FOR AT LEAST SEVEN YEARS PRECEDING OCTOBER 1 NEXT YEAR.

THEY SHOULD HAVE HIGH ACADEMIC ATTAINMENTS IN HONG KONG ADVANCED LEVEL EXAMINATION, G.C.E. A LEVEL OR THEIR EQUIVALENT, AND HAVE APPLIED OR INTEND TO APPLY FOR ADMISSION TO THE UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM THROUGH THE UNIVERSITIES CENTRAL COUNCIL ON ADMISSION.

HOWEVER, APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FROM THOSE NOW STUDYING IN ENGLAND, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

IN ADDITION, APPLICANTS SHOULD HAVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE HEAD OF THEIR SCHOOL OR COLLEGE AND BE ABLE TO PROVIDE EVIDENCE SATISFACTORY TO THE UNIVERSITY OF AN ADEQUATE KNOWLEDGE OF WRITTEN AND SPOKEN ENGLISH.

THE SPOKESMAN ADVISED APPLICANTS THAT THE SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATE MUST PROVIDE EVIDENCE SATISFACTORY TO THE UNIVERSITY BEFORE ADMISSION THAT SUFFICIENT FUNDS IN ADDITION TO THE VALUE OF THE SCHOLARSHIP ARE AVAILABLE TO MEET THE COSTS OF MAINTENANCE FOR THE PERIOD OF THE COURSE OF STUDY.

COMPLETED FORMS INCLUDING REFEREE'S STATEMENT SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE OVERSEAS STUDENTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS SECTION BEFORE DECEMBER 31 AND SHORTLISTED CANDIDATES WILL BE INVITED FOR INTERVIEW IN LATE MARCH NEXT YEAR.

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CONTESTS TO PROMOTE COURTESY

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A SLOGAN DESIGN COMPETITION AND A LYRICS CONTEST HAVE BEEN ORGANISED TO HELP PROMOTE THE ONGOING COURTESY CAMPAIGN IN EASTERN DISTRICT.

THE COURTESY CAMPAIGN, SPONSORED BY THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD, IS ORGANISED BY THE EASTERN DISTRICT YOUTH RECREATION CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT SCHOOL LIAISON COMMITTEE, EASTERN DISTRICT ARTS COUNCIL.

FOR THE SLOGAN DESIGN COMPETITION, THE NUMBER OF WORDS IS LIMITED TO 14, AND MUST BE WRITTEN IN CHINESE ON THE APPLICATION FORM.

THE COMPETITION IS DIVIDED INTO A SENIOR SECTION FOR PEOPLE OVER 18, AND A JUNIOR SECTION FOR THOSE AGED 18 AND BELOW. THE NUMBER OF ENTRANTS IS UNLIMITED.

THERE IS NO AGE LIMIT IN THE LYRICS COMPETITION AND PARTICIPANTS CAN CHOOSE ANY POPULAR SONG AND RE-WRITE IT, IN CHINESE, WITH NEW WORDS. THERE IS NO RESTRICTION ON THE NUMBER OF ENTRIES.

THE DEADLINE FOR BOTH COMPETITIONS IS NOVEMBER 30. PRIZES WILL BE GIVEN TO WINNERS.

APPLICATION FORMS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICE AT 880-886 KING'S ROAD, OR ITS SUB-OFFICES IN CAUSEWAY BAY, SHAU KEI WAN AND CHAI WAN.

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MUSIC OFFICE SUPPORTS +WALK FOR THE PHIL+

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ORCHESTRAL MEMBERS AND STAFF OF THE MUSIC OFFICE, MUNICIPAL SERVICES BRANCH, TODAY (SUNDAY) SUPPORTED A FUND-RAISING WALK FOR THE HONG KONG PHILHARMONIC BY TAKING PART BOTH IN THE WALK AND PROVIDING THE WALKERS WITH LIVE MUSIC.

LED BY THE MUSIC ADMINISTRATOR, MRS DORIS HO, 55 MEMBERS OF THE HONG KONG YOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA, UNDER THE BATON OF MR JOHN LAU, PRINCIPAL GUEST CONDUCTOR, PERFORMED AT THE STARTING POINT OF THE WALK AT MT. AUSTIN ROAD PLAYGROUND, WHILE THE 26-MEMBER WIND ENSEMBLE ALSO PLAYED AT THE FINAL CHECK POINT AT TAI TAM COUNTRY PARK (QUARRY BAY EXTENSION).

/MRS HO,

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MRS HO, WHO JOINED IN THE WALK ALONGSIDE WITH ABOUT 50 MEMBERS OF THE STAFF, SAID SHE SUPPORTED THIS FUND-RAISING EVENT BECAUSE THE MUSIC OFFICE AND THE HONG KONG PHILHARMONIC BOTH HAD THE SAME OBJECTIVES -- TO PROMOTE INTEREST IN MUSIC AND TO REACH OUT TO NEW AUDIENCES.

THE COMMISSIONER FOR RECREATION AND CULTURE, MR PATRICK WILLIAMSON, WAS AMONG THE GUESTS AT THE START OF THE WALK.

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MONTHLY OPEN URBAN COUNCIL MEETING ON TUESDAY
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THE URBAN COUNCIL WILL HOLD ITS MONTHLY OPEN MEETING ON TUESDAY (NOVEMBER 12) WHEN SIX QUESTIONS WILL BE RAISED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS.

MR FAN KAM-PING WILL ASK ABOUT MEASURES TO BOOST THE USAGE RATE OF SPORT AND RECREATION FACILITIES DURING SCHOOL AND OFFICE HOURS.

HE ALSO WANTS TO KNOW WHETHER IN ITS SWIMMING POOL PROGRAMME THE COUNCIL WILL CONSIDER BUILDING ONLY ONE +FUN POOL+ AND DEFERRING OTHERS UNTIL THE POPULARITY OF THE FIRST HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED.

MR WALTER SULKE WILL QUESTION THE RATIONALE BEHIND THE COUNCIL NOT PROCEEDING WITH HIS PROPOSAL FOR +SPEAKERS' CORNERS+ IN PARKS.

HE WILL ALSO RAISE A QUESTION ON INCREASED CHARGES FOR SWIMMING POOLS AND ASK FOR CONFIRMATION THAT THE COUNCIL WILL FOLLOW GOVERNMENT POLICY AND NOT ACCEPT SPONSORSHIP OR ADVERTISING FROM TOBACCO COMPANIES FOR CULTURAL OR SPORTING FUNCTIONS.

MR KWAN LIM-HO WOULD LIKE TO KNOW ABOUT RAT INFESTATION IN TSIM SHA TSUI AND YAU MA TEI DISTRICTS AS WELL AS THE MEASURES BEING TAKEN AGAINST IT.

IN ADDITION, MOTIONS WILL BE MOVED BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE RECREATION SELECT COMMITTEE, MR HOWARD YOUNG, AND BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE LIBRARIES SELECT COMMITTEE, MR JOSEPH CHAN.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND A REPORTER AND/OR PHOTOGRAPHER TO COVER THE MEETING WHICH WILL START AT 2.30 P.M. ON TUESDAY AT THE URBAN COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN EDINBURGH PLACE.

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CHINESE OPERA FOR THE ELDERLY

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DETAILS OF A +TRADITIONAL CHINESE OPERA NIGHT FOR THE ELDERLY+ ORGANISED TO PROVIDE MORE ENTERTAINMENT FOR OLD PEOPLE WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN A PRESS CONFERENCE TOMORROW (MONDAY).

IT WILL BE HELD AT THE MING ROOM ON THE 16TH FLOOR OF AMBASSADOR HOTEL AT 4 MIDDLE ROAD, TSIM SHA TSUI, AT 3 PM.

THE EVENT IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG AND THE LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL, DISTRICT 303.

ATTENDING THE PRESS CONFERENCE WILL BE HEAD OF RTHK'S CHINESE PROGRAMME SERVICE, MR CHU PUI-HING; DISTRICT GOVERNOR OF THE LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL, DISTRICT 303, MR CHRISTOPHER SIN; CHAIRMAN OF THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR NG YIN-NAM, AND HEAD OF RTHK RADIO 5, MISS AGNES TANG.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE PRESS CONFERENCE.

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SALE OF REFRESHMENT AT KWAI CHUNG SPORTS GROUND

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THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE SALE OF LIGHT REFRESHMENT AT THE KWAI CHUNG SPORTS GROUND.

SITUATED AT THE JUNCTION OF HING FONG ROAD AND KWAI FUK ROAD, THE SPORTS GROUND IS A MAJOR RECREATION AND SPORTS COMPLEX FOR RESIDENTS IN THE DISTRICT, AN RSD SPOKESMAN SAID.

FACILITIES IN THE COMPLEX INCLUDE A STANDARD SIZE TURFED SOCCER PITCH, TWO MINI-SOCCER PITCHES, THREE BASKETBALL-CUM-VOLLEYBALL COURTS, A 400-METRE RUNNING TRACK AND SITTING OUT AREAS.

THE CONTRACT FOR THE BUSINESS WILL COME INTO EFFECT ON MARCH 1 NEXT YEAR FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS.

THOSE WHO WISH TO BID FOR THE CONTRACT CAN OBTAIN A TENDER FORM AT THE KWAI CHUNG DISTRICT OFFICE OF THE RSD ON THE NINTH FLOOR OF KWAI HING GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 166-174 HING FONG ROAD, KWAI CHUNG.

/COMPLETED FORMS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1985

COMPLETED FORMS SHOULD BE PUT IN THE TENDER BOX LOCATED AT THE RSD HEADQUARTERS ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF SWIRE AND MACLAINE HOUSE (AUSTIN CENTRE), 19-23 AUSTIN AVENUE, TSIM SHA TSUI, BEFORE 9 AM ON DECEMBER 13. LATE SUBMISSION WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE TENDER CAN BE DIRECTED TO THE KWAI CHUNG DISTRICT OFFICE OF THE RSD ON TELEPHONE 0-209204.

SAI KUNG SPORTS DAY TO START

APPLICATIONS FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE 1985 SAI KUNG, HANG HAU AND RENNIE'S MILL SPORTS DAY ARE NOW BEING INVITED FROM SAI KUNG RESIDENTS AND ATHLETES INTERESTED IN TRACK AND FIELD.

THE SPORTS DAY WILL BE HELD ON DECEMBER 1 AT THE TANG SHIU KIN SPORTS GROUND, SAI KUNG TOWN.

WINNERS WHO ARE SAI KUNG RESIDENTS CAN REPRESENT THE DISTRICT IN THE NEW TERRITORIES INTER-DISTRICT SPORTS DAY ON DECEMBER 15.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICE CENTRE OF THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT OFFICE, REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT (SAI KUNG OFFICE), AND SAI KUNG SPORTS ASSOCIATION.

LEARNER DRIVER PROHIBITED ZONE

TAT CHEE AVENUE AT YAU YAT TSUEN WILL BE DESIGNATED A LEARNER DRIVER PROHIBITED ZONE FROM 6 AM TO 7.30 AM DAILY, FROM WEDNESDAY (NOVEMBER 13), THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY.