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LOCAL CONSORTIUM WINS CONTRACT FOR MAJOR RECLAMATION PROJECT IN SHATIN

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A 40-ACRE LOT IN SHA TIN TOWN HAS BEEN SOLD TO THE PARAMATTA INVESTMENT CO. LTD. AT $20.6 MILLION.

THE COMPANY, A CONGLOMERATE OF WELL-KNOWN LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FIRMS, HAS ALREADY PAID A $15 MILLION DEPOSIT.

THE SITE, SITUATED AT SIU LEK YUEN, WAS ADVERTISED FOR SALE BY TENDER DURING AUGUST AND LAST MONTH.

UNDER THE BUILDING COVENANT, $240 MILLION MUST BE SPENT WITHIN TEN YEARS TO DEVELOP THE SITE, WHICH IS ZONED FOR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL PURPOSES.

THE DEVELOPER IS REQUIRED TO RECLAIM A FURTHER 105 ACRES OF SEABED, PROVIDE ROADS AND DRAINS, AND CONSTRUCT SEAWALLS. THE COST OF THESE IS ESTIMATED AT $130 MILLION.

THIS ADDITIONAL AREA OF 105 ACRES WILL, AT A LATER STAGE, BE HANDED TO THE GOVERNMENT FOR INDUSTRIAL, RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT WITH OPEN SPACE AND OTHER COMMUNITY FACILITIES.

AN ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT FROM THE DEVELOPER IS THE PROVISION OF THREE SCHOOLS, ALSO TO BE RETURNED TO THE GOVERNMENT TO PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES FOR THE POPULATION OF THE PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL ESTATE.

COMMENTING ON THE SUCCESSFUL TENDER, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE RECLAMATION AND DEVELOPMENT TO BE CARRIED OUT WERE MAJOR STEPS TOWARDS THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF SHA TIN NEW TOWN.

HE ADDED THAT THIS MOVE WAS ALSO A GOOD INDICATION OF THE RETURN OF CONFIDENCE IN THE PROPERTY MARKET IN GENERAL.

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NEW CURRICULUM EMPHASISES QUALITY AND RELEVANCE

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THE CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (C.D.C.) IS MAKING A DETERMINED BID TO UPDATE THE JUNIOR SECONDARY CURRICULUM SO AS TO SERVE THE REAL NEEDS, INTERESTS AND ABILITIES OF A VERY WIDE RANGE OF PUPILS IN HONG KONG, THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR. KENNETH TOPLEY SAID TODAY.

ADDRESSING THE PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION'S LUNCHEON, MR. TOPLEY SAID THAT THE COMMITTEE HAD SPENT A CONSIDERABLE PERIOD ATTACKING THE TWIN PROBLEMS OF QUALITY AND RELEVANCE BY EXAMINING THE AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE ENTIRE JUNIOR SECONDARY CURRICULUM.

AS A RESULT, THE COMMITTEE, WHICH IS DRAWN FROM ALL SECTORS OF THE LOCAL EDUCATIONAL COMMUNITY, ESTABLISHED GENERALLY AGREED CRITERIA TO BE OBSERVED BY THE CURRICULUM TEAMS IN THEIR DETAILED DEVELOPMENT OF THE CONSTITUENT COURSES OF THE CURRICULUM.

MR. TOPLEY SAID THAT THE EMPHASIS IN THE NEW JUNIOR SECONDARY CURRICULUM WAS VERY DEFINITELY ON QUALITY AND RELEVANCE.

+GROUPS OF SCHOOLS ARE NOW TRYING OUT THE NEW SYLLABUSES ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS, WITH THE HELP OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S ADVISORY INSPECTORATE - THE EXECUTIVE ARM OF THE C.D.C.

+THE AIM OF THE TRY-OUT PERIOD IS OF COURSE TO TEST THE MATERIAL THOROUGHLY, TO ADJUST IT IF NECESSARY AND THEN TO ESTABLISH IT AS THE STANDARD PATTERN OF EDUCATION AT THIS LEVEL,+ THE DIRECTOR SAID.

HE STRESSED THAT TRUE CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT, IF IT WAS TO BE GENUINELY EFFECTIVE, DEMANDED THE ACTIVE AND WHOLE-HEARTED CO-OPERATION OF EVERYONE INVOLVED IN THE EDUCATIONAL PROCESS - THE UNIVERSITIES, THE TEACHER-TRAINING INSTITUTIONS, EDUCATIONAL PUBLISHERS, SCHOOL HEADS, TEACHERS, PUPILS AND PARENTS.

MR. TOPLEY SAID HE WAS HAPPY TO REPORT THAT +WE ARE NOW LIAISING WITH EDUCATIONAL PUBLISHERS ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW MATERIALS DESIGNED TO ENCOURAGE IMAGINATIVE TEACHING STRATEGIES, ESPECIALLY IN THOSE SUBJECTS WHERE THE 'ENQUIRY-ACTIVITY' APPROACH IS STRONGLY INDICATED.+

THE DIRECTOR ALSO STATED THAT WHATEVER EXAMINATIONS THERE WERE IN THE FUTURE THEY WOULD BE BASED ON THE TEACHING COURSES RECOMMENDED BY THE C.D.C.

/+IN OTHER WORDS .....

+IN OTHER WORDS, THE TEACHING COURSES WILL SHAPE THE CONTENT AND FORMAT OF THE EXAMINATIONS, SO THAT THE EXAMINATIONS WILL BE COMPATIBLE WITH THE STYLE AND UNDERLYING PURPOSES OF THE CURRICULUM,+ HE SAID.

THE HONG KONG CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION BOARD HAD AMENDED ITS CONSTITUTION TO TAKE THIS IMPORTANT PRINCIPLE INTO ACCOUNT AND MR. TOPLEY SAID, +I LOOK FORWARD TO THE TIME WHEN THE CURRICULUM HAS BECOME FIRMLY EMBEDDED AND THE EXAMINATION HAS BECOME ITS LOYAL SERVANT INSTEAD OF ITS RATHER UNFEELING MASTER.+

WHILE FIRST PRIORITY HAD BEEN GIVEN TO THE JUNIOR SECONDARY CURRICULUM, THE DIRECTOR MADE IT CLEAR THAT PRIMARY EDUCATION HAD NOT BEEN NEGLECTED.

ONE OF THE MOST PROMISING ATTEMPTS SO FAR TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF EDUCATION IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS WAS THE +ACTIVITY APPROACH+ - A HONG KONG VERSION OF THE INTEGRATED DAY WHICH WAS FAMILIAR IN BRITAIN AND THE UNITED STATES.

+THE ESSENCE OF THE ACTIVITY APPROACH IS THAT IT PROVIDES OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN TO LEARN AT THEIR OWN PACE ACCORDING TO THEIR OWN ABILITIES,+ HE SAID.

IT BEGAN AS A PILOT SCHEME IN 1972 AND WAS NOW GRADUALLY GAINING WIDER ACCEPTANCE AMONG SCHOOLS.

+THIS IS VERY ENCOURAGING,+ MR. TOPLEY SAID.

IN CONCLUSION, THE DIRECTOR STATED THAT WHILE THERE WAS QUITE UNDERSTANDABLY CONSTANT PRESSURE FOR RAPID CHANGE FROM PEOPLE COMMITTED TO A PARTICULAR POINT OF VIEW, THE PRIME FACTOR INFLUENCING EDUCATIONAL QUALITY WAS THE QUALITY OF THE TEACHER - AND ONE COULD NOT MAKE DRAMATIC OVERNIGHT CHANGES IN PEOPLE'S APPROACHES TO THEIR WORK.

+QUALITY HAS TO EVOLVE, AND AT THIS STAGE IN THE PROCESS WE CAN ONLY SAY THAT THE CONDITIONS FOR QUALITATIVE CHANGE ARE FAVOURABLE AND THAT WITH PUBLIC SUPPORT OF THE RIGHT KIND, I BELIEVE WE SHALL SEE EVENTUALLY CLEAR EVIDENCE OF SUCH CHANGE,+ MR. TOPLEY SAID.

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SUNDAYS AT SIX

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A NEW SERIES OF EVENING CHAMBER MUSIC RECITALS BEGINS THIS MONTH AT THE UNION CHURCH, KENNEDY ROAD, HONG KONG.

ENTITLED +SUNDAYS AT SIX+, THE MONTHLY RECITALS WILL FEATURE LEADING LOCAL SINGERS AND INSTRUMENTALISTS IN PROGRAMMES OF WESTERN CLASSICAL MUSIC ALTHOUTH NEXT JANUARY'S CONCERT WILL BE DEVOTED TO CHINESE INSTRUMENTAL AND VOCAL MUSIC.

THE SERIES, PRESENTED BY THE UNION CHURCH IN ASSOCIATION WITH RADIO HONG KONG, IS THE LATEST +BRAINCHILD+ OF CLIVE SIMPSON WHO IS A WELL-KNOWN FIGURE IN LOCAL MUSIC CIRCLES. HE WAS ONE OF THE FOUNDER-ORGANIZERS OF THE NOW WELL-ESTABLISHED LUNCHTIME RECITALS AT ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL AND HAS ARRANGED CHAMBER CONCERTS FOR THE GOETHE INSTITUTE. HE IS CURRENTLY CHAIRMAN OF THE HONG KONG CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC CONCERTS COMMITTEE AS WELL AS BEING INVOLVED IN VOCAL CONCERTS FOR THE 1976 HONG KONG ARTS FESTIVAL.

TAKING PART IN THE FIRST OF THE SIX MONTHLY RECITALS WILL BE BARITONE TIMOTHY YUNG, WHO WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY STUART BONNER IN THREE SONGS OF C.P.E. BACH AND FIVE OF SCHUMANN'S SETTINGS OF HEINE POEMS. FOR THE REST OF THE PROGRAMME THE HONG KONG BRASS SEXTET, LED BY JOHN CHENG, WILL PERFORM A VARIETY OF WORKS RANGING FROM BYRD AND MONTEVERDI TO MOUSSORGSKY AND HINDEMITH.

THE RECITAL BEGINS AT 6 P.M. ON OCTOBER 26. ADMISSION IS FREE. IT WILL BE RECORDED BY RADIO HONG KONG FOR FUTURE TRANSMISSION.

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NEW JURY LIST

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THE REGISTRAR OF THE SUPREME COURT, MR. JOHN OLIVER, ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT A FURTHER LIST OF COMMON JURORS WILL BE POSTED NEXT MONDAY (OCTOBER 20) ON THE NOTICE BOARD NEAR THE LIFT INSIDE THE SOUTH-WEST ENTRANCE OF THE SUPREME COURT BUILDING.

THE LIST WILL REMAIN POSTED FOR 14 DAYS.

DURING THIS PERIOD ANY PERSON MAY APPLY IN WRITING TO THE REGISTRAR FOR HIS NAME OR THE NAME OF SOME OTHER PERSON TO BE POSTED OR REMOVED FROM THE LIST. REASONS FOR THE ADDITION OR REMOVAL OF A NAME MUST BE GIVEN IN APPLICATIONS.

THE REGISTRAR SHALL IN HIS DISCRETION POST OR REMOVE NAMES ACCORDINGLY AND SHALL, IF NECESSARY, ALTER THE LIST.

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WATER CUT

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A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN YAU MA TEI WILL BE WITHOUT WATER FOR FIVE HOURS STARTING FROM 1 A.M. ON SATURDAY (OCTOBER 18) WHEN A TEST FOR LEAKAGE WILL BE CARRIED OUT IN THE AREA.

AFFECTED WILL BE PREMISES BOUNDED BY NATHAN ROAD, PUBLIC SQUARE STREET, RECLAMATION STREET, WING SING LANE, SHANGHAI STREET AND WATERLOO ROAD.

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PING YEUNG SAN CHUEN SQUATTER AREA CLEARED

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The Ping Yeung San Chuen squatter area was cleared today (Thursday) to make way for the construction of the Po Kong Interchange--an important road project to ease traffic flow in Po Kong Village Road and Lung Cheung Road.

When completed in 1977, the flyover network, will provide an easy access route from Choi Hung Road to Lung Cheung Road.

In today's operation, Housing Department demolition teams cleared about 100 remaining structures on the site. Some 500 other huts in the squatter area had either been demolished by their occupants or by the clearance staff during the past few weeks.

A total of 1,814 people from 451 families have been offered public housing in Lam Tin or Sau Mau Ping Estates and 461 people from 125 families not eligible for public housing have been allocated sites at Kowloon Bay Licensed Area.

Ex-gratia allowances totalling about $120,000, and 84 units in Kowloon Bay factory estates have been offered to 56 shop, factory or workshop operators affected by the clearance.

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清拆平陽新村木屋
興建蒲崗村交匯處

平陽新村木屋區已於今日（星期四）清拆，以讓出地方用作興建蒲崗村交匯處。

該項道路工程於一九七七年竣工後，可疏導蒲崗村道及龍翔道的交通，及利便由彩虹道之車輛通往龍翔道。

房屋署工作人員今日清拆留在該處的建築物約一百間。在過去數週內，該木屋區約有五百間木屋經由居民或清拆工作人員拆卸。

現時共有四百五十一戶（一千八百一十四人），已獲分配遷入藍田邨或秀茂坪邨居住，而無資格入住公共房屋的一百二十五戶（四百六十一人），已在九龍灣安置區獲分配居住地點。

同時當局已向受清拆影響的五十六間商店、工廠或工場共撥給恩恤現金津貼約十二萬元及九龍灣工廠的單位八十四個。

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