



DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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A DAY OF ENJOYMENT IN N.T.

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A FESTIVE FLAVOUR WILL PREVAIL THROUGHOUT THE NEW TERRITORIES ON THURSDAY (APRIL 21) WHEN A WIDE VARIETY OF CELEBRATION ACTIVITIES WILL TAKE PLACE TO MARK THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY AND SILVER JUBILEE.

THE DAY WILL SEE AN EXTENSIVE PROGRAMME OF ENTERTAINMENT, RECREATION AND SPORTS ACTIVITIES GOING ON IN VARIOUS DISTRICTS TO GIVE THE YOUNG AND THE OLD A DAY OF RELAXATION AND ENJOYMENT.

THE PROGRAMME IS BEING JOINTLY ORGANISED, AFTER MONTHS OF PREPARATION, BY THE DISTRICT OFFICES, THE RECREATION AND SPORTS SERVICES, THE HEUNG YEE KUK, RURAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

THERE WILL BE A SERIES OF POTTED SPORTS CONTESTS SPECIALLY ARRANGED FOR CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 14.

YOUTHS WILL COMPETE WITH EACH OTHER IN VARIOUS SPORTS EVENTS SUCH AS VOLLEYBALL, BASKETBALL, MINI-SOCCER, TABLE-TENNIS, BADMINTON AND HILL-CLIMBING COMPETITIONS.

FOR PEOPLE OF ALL AGES, THERE WILL BE A LONG-DISTANCE RUN IN TSUEN WAN, A WALK-FOR-ALL AND A CROSS-COUNTRY WALK IN FAN LING.

THROUGHOUT THE DAY, PARTICULARLY IN THE EVENING, ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAMMES WILL BE STAGED ONE AFTER ANOTHER IN VARIOUS SPORTS GROUNDS AND PLAYGROUNDS IN TSUEN WAN, TAI PO, YUEN LONG, TUEN MUN, SHA TIN, SAI KUNG AND OUTLYING ISLANDS.

THE PROGRAMME IN TSUEN WAN WILL FEATURE A TWO-AND-HALF-HOUR VARIETY SHOW STARTING AT 3 P.M. AT THE YEUNG UK ROAD SPORTS GROUND, THE SHOW WILL INCLUDE AN ANCIENT AND MODERN FEMALE COSTUME PARADE, DRAGON AND LION DANCE, BRASS BAND PERFORMANCE, MASS DANCE AND GYMNASTIC DISPLAY.

OTHER ENTERTAINMENT ACTIVITIES INCLUDE DEMONSTRATIONS ON TRAMPOLINING, ROLLER-SKATING, CYCLING AND MARTIAL ARTS, FOLK SONGS AND PERFORMANCES BY CHINESE ORCHESTRAS.

ON THURSDAY AT 9 A.M., THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR. DAVID AKERS-JONES, WILL OFFICIATE AT A CEREMONY AT THE YEUNG UK ROAD SPORTS GROUND, TSUEN WAN, TO MARK THE OPENING OF THE N.T. WEST SPORTS EVENTS.

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AT 2 P.M. ON THE SAME DAY, THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES (GENERAL), MR. MORRIS MORGAN, WILL OFFICIATE AT ANOTHER CEREMONY IN THE FAN LING SPORTS GROUND WHERE THE N.T. EAST SPORTS EVENTS WILL TAKE PLACE.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

COPIES OF THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY AND SILVER JUBILEE CELEBRATION PROGRAMME IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, IN ENGLISH AND CHINESE, ARE AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION IN G.I.S. BOXES THIS EVENING.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND YOUR REPRESENTATIVE(S) TO COVER THE TWO OPENING CEREMONIES OR ANY OF THE LISTED PROGRAMMES.

ONE OF THE OPENING CEREMONIES WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE YEUNG UK ROAD SPORTS GROUND, TSUEN WAN, AT 9 A.M. ON THURSDAY WHILE THE OTHER WILL BE HELD AT THE FAN LING SPORTS GROUND AT 2 P.M. THE SAME DAY.

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BUDGET DEBATE TO RESUME TOMORROW

SIX OFFICIAL MEMBERS OF LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL WILL REPLY TO POINTS RAISED BY THEIR UNOFFICIAL COLLEAGUES AT THE RESUMED BUDGET DEBATE TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY).

THEY ARE THE SECRETARY FOR HOUSING, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES, DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, DIRECTOR OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY AND THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY WHO WILL WIND-UP THE DEBATE.

DURING QUESTION TIME, REVEREND THE HON. JOYCE BENNETT WILL ASK TWO QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE QUALIFICATIONS IN THE RECRUITMENT OF ASSISTANT INSPECTORS AND WELFARE SUPERVISORS FOR SPECIAL SCHOOLS AND INSTITUTIONS FOR THE HANDICAPPED.

SEVEN BILLS WILL BE INTRODUCED INTO THE COUNCIL. THEY INCLUDE ONE WHICH AIMS TO SET UP THE HONG KONG EXAMINATION AUTHORITY.

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REGISTRATION OF PERSONS AND
IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENTS MERGE
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THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT AND THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS DEPARTMENT OFFICIALLY MERGED TODAY (APRIL 20) WITH THE DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION CONCURRENTLY BECOMING THE COMMISSIONER OF REGISTRATION.

THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS DEPARTMENT WILL NOW BE KNOWN AS THE REGISTRATION PERSONS OFFICE.

MR. MARTIN ROWLANDS, DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION, SAID TODAY THAT THERE WOULD BE NO CHANGE IN THE PROCEDURE FOR REGISTRATION OF IDENTITY CARDS.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL CONTINUE TO APPLY FOR IDENTITY CARDS OR AMEND THEIR REGISTERED PARTICULARS AT THE SAME OFFICES AS BEFORE. ANY CORRESPONDENCE IN CONNECTION WITH IDENTITY CARD MATTERS SHOULD BE DIRECTLY ADDRESSED TO THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS OFFICE.

WITH EFFECT FROM FRIDAY (APRIL 22), THE WORKING HOURS OF THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS AND THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS OFFICE WILL BE FROM 8.45 A.M. TO 5.15 P.M. DURING WEEKDAYS AND FROM 9 A.M. TO NOON ON SATURDAYS.

COMMENTING ON THE ARRANGEMENT, MR. ROWLANDS SAID THIS WAS GEARED TO MEET PEAK BUSINESS DEMAND ON FRIDAY AFTERNOONS IN THOSE OFFICES. IT WOULD NOT AFFECT THE WORKING HOURS OF THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT'S BRANCH OFFICES.

FURTHERMORE, IN AN EFFORT TO IMPROVE SERVICE TO THE PUBLIC, THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS OFFICES IN CAUSEWAY BAY AND CANTON ROAD, WILL BE OPEN FOR BUSINESS DURING THE LUNCH HOUR.

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HOLIDAY POSTAL ARRANGEMENTS
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THE POSTMASTER GENERAL HAS ANNOUNCED THAT THERE WILL BE NO MAIL DELIVERY ON THURSDAY (APRIL 21), WHICH IS A GENERAL HOLIDAY.

ALL POST OFFICES WILL ALSO BE CLOSED ON THAT DAY.

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TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS FOR SILVER JUBILEE PROCESSION

TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED FOR THE QUEEN'S SILVER JUBILEE PROCESSION ON THURSDAY EVENING.

MANY ROADS ALONG THE PROCESSION ROUTE BETWEEN VICTORIA PARK AND VICTORIA BARRACKS WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 6.45 P.M. THAT DAY.

THE ONLY MAJOR ROADS THAT WILL BE LEFT OPEN TO NORMAL EAST-WEST TRAFFIC WILL BE WATERFRONT ROAD, TUNG LO WAN ROAD, LEIGHTON ROAD, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST AND KENNEDY ROAD.

IN VIEW OF THIS AND THE FACT THAT VERY LARGE CROWDS ARE EXPECTED TO GATHER EARLY ALONG THE PROCESSION ROUTE, MOTORISTS ARE STRONGLY ADVISED TO EITHER KEEP WELL CLEAR OF THE WAN CHAI AREA AFTER 6 P.M. OR USE PUBLIC TRANSPORT WHICH WILL BE GIVEN PRIORITY OVER PRIVATE MOTORISTS.

THE MAJORITY OF METERED PARKING SPACES IN WAN CHAI AND CAUSEWAY BAY WILL BE CANCELLED BETWEEN 4.30 P.M. AND MIDNIGHT ON THURSDAY.

TEMPORARY TRAFFIC DIVERSIONS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN A NUMBER OF STREETS ALONG OR NEAR THE PROCESSION ROUTE BUT THESE WILL BE INDICATED BY DIRECTIONAL SIGNS AND TRAFFIC POLICE WILL BE ON HAND TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

DURING THE PROCESSION, THERE WILL BE NO THROUGH TRAM SERVICES BETWEEN NORTH POINT AND CENTRAL BECAUSE OF THE ROAD CLOSURES. BUSES, PLB'S AND MAXICABS WILL BE DIVERTED AWAY FROM THE CLOSED ROADS.

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