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OCTOBER ORDERS-ON-HAND, EMPLOYMENT, PAYROLL FIGURES OUT

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THE AVERAGE VOLUME OF ORDERS-ON-HAND (IN TERMS OF MONTHS) IN THE 200 LARGEST FIRMS IN THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR IN OCTOBER 1986 INCREASED COMPARED WITH THAT IN OCTOBER LAST YEAR BUT REMAINED STABLE RELATIVE TO SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR, ACCORDING TO THE RESULTS OF A SURVEY RELEASED TODAY BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

COMPARED WITH OCTOBER LAST YEAR, SIGNIFICANT INCREASES IN THE VOLUME OF ORDERS WERE REPORTED FOR THE TEXTILES AND FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS INDUSTRIES AND, TO A LESSER EXTENT, THE WEARING APPAREL AND ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS INDUSTRIES. ON THE OTHER HAND, THE VOLUME OF ORDERS IN THE PLASTIC PRODUCTS INDUSTRY DROPPED CONSIDERABLY.

COMPARED WITH SEPTEMBER, THE VOLUME OF ORDERS IN THE TEXTILES AND FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS INDUSTRIES INCREASED, WHILE THAT IN THE PLASTIC PRODUCTS INDUSTRY DECLINED.

THE LEVEL OF EMPLOYMENT IN THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR REMAINED STABLE IN OCTOBER 1986 COMPARED WITH THAT IN THE SAME MONTH LAST YEAR. HOWEVER, IT WAS SLIGHTLY BELOW THE LEVEL IN THE PREVIOUS MONTH, MAINLY DUE TO THE DEPARTURE OF SUMMER WORKERS.

ALL MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES SURVEYED RECORDED AN INCREASE IN PAYROLL AND IN PER CAPITA EARNINGS OVER THE SAME MONTH LAST YEAR. COMPARED WITH SEPTEMBER, INCREASES IN BOTH PAYROLL AND PER CAPITA EARNINGS WERE ALSO RECORDED FOR THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR AS A WHOLE. HOWEVER, DECREASES WERE REPORTED FOR THE FOOD AND DRINKS, PLASTIC PRODUCTS AND FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS INDUSTRIES.

IN THE CONSTRUCTION SECTOR, THERE WAS AN INCREASE IN EMPLOYMENT OVER THE PREVIOUS MONTH AS SOME FIRMS STARTED NEW PROJECTS. PAYROLL ROSE SLIGHTLY DESPITE SOME DECLINE IN PER CAPITA EARNINGS. HOWEVER, EMPLOYMENT WAS STILL BELOW THAT OF THE SAME MONTH LAST YEAR, ALTHOUGH PAYROLL AND PER CAPITA EARNINGS SHOWED AN INCREASE.

IN THE SERVICES SECTORS, THE LEVELS OF EMPLOYMENT, PAYROLL AND PER CAPITA EARNINGS WERE HIGHER THAN THOSE OF THE SAME MONTH LAST YEAR. COMPARED WITH THE PREVIOUS MONTH, THERE WAS, HOWEVER, LITTLE CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT AND A SLIGHT DECLINE IN PAYROLL AND IN PER CAPITA EARNINGS.

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THE PERCENTAGE CHANGES IN ORDERS-ON-HAND, EMPLOYMENT AND PER CAPITA EARNINGS ARE SHOWN IN TABLES A AND B.

THE SURVEY COVERED A PANEL OF THE 200 LARGEST MANUFACTURING COMPANIES AND THE 50 LARGEST COMPANIES IN THE CONSTRUCTION AND SELECTED SERVICES SECTORS, CHOSEN BY REFERENCE TO THEIR EMPLOYMENT IN MARCH 1983.

AS THE SAMPLE WAS NOT DRAWN ON A RANDOM BASIS, THE DEPARTMENT CAUTIONED THAT RESULTS ON THE MAGNITUDE OF CHANGE MIGHT NOT REFLECT THE EXPERIENCE OF THE ECONOMY AS A WHOLE, ALTHOUGH THEY SHOULD GIVE AN INDICATION OF THE DIRECTION OF CHANGE FOR A QUICK ASSESSMENT OF DEVELOPMENTS IN THE ECONOMY IN THE SHORT-TERM.

THE SURVEY REPORT FOR OCTOBER 1986 IS ON SALE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS SALES CENTRE, GENERAL POST OFFICE BUILDING AND AT THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT PUBLICATIONS SALES COUNTER, KAI TAK COMMERCIAL BUILDING, AT $1.50 PER COPY.

ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE SURVEY RESULTS MAY BE MADE TO THE INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION STATISTICS SECTION OF THE DEPARTMENT ON 3-7212854.

/A. Orders-on-hand in .....

A. Orders-on-hand in manufacturing industries

Industry	Orders-on-hand in terms of months for October 1986	% increase/ decrease over Sep. 86	% increase/ decrease over Oct. 85
Wearing apparel	4.80	*	9
Textiles	2.81	7	19
Plastic products	2.93	-5	-23
Fabricated metal products	4.04	1	28
Electrical and electronic products	5.03	*	3
Others	4.43	*	1
All above industries	**4.35**	*****	**5**

B. Employment and earnings

Industry/Services	Persons engaged at the end of October 1986: % increase/ decrease over Sep. 86	Persons engaged at the end of October 1986: % increase/ decrease over Oct. 85	Per capita earnings as in October 1986 (HK$)	Per capita earnings: % increase/ decrease over Sep. 86	Per capita earnings: % increase/ decrease over Oct. 85
Manufacturing	**-1**	*****	**3 422**	**3**	**12**
Food and drinks	1	4	3 971	-8	5
Wearing apparel	-1	-9	2 943	5	12
Textiles	1	2	3 575	3	14
Plastic products	-5	4	3 238	-2	19
Fabricated metal products	*	-4	3 111	-2	5
Electrical and electronic products	-1	4	3 167	4	11
Others	*	1	4 556	3	11
Construction**	**2**	**-2**	**4 742**	**-1**	**9**
Services	*****	**2**	**6 116**	**-1**	**10**
Banks	*	5	5 413	1	10
Hotels	1	-1	3 894	1	8
Public utilities	*	-1	6 416	-3	11
Others	*	5	7 255	1	10

* Changes within ±0.5%

** Persons engaged cover company employees only; site workers employed by labour-only sub-contractors not included.

Note : Unlike "orders-on-hand" and per capita earnings" which are average figures, the total no. of persons engaged by the firms surveyed is not meaningful information on its own because this is a panel survey and is therefore not shown.

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'FOUR STREETS' OWNERS ACCEPT TERMS
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MORE THAN 91 PER CENT OF OWNERS OF TSIM SHA TSUI +FOUR STREETS+ PROPERTIES HAVE ACCEPTED A REVISED GOVERNMENT OFFER, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

UNDER THE NEW OFFER, THE DEADLINE FOR WHICH EXPIRED ON DECEMBER 15, THE AMOUNT OF PREMIUM THE OWNERS HAVE TO PAY FOR NEW LEASES HAS BEEN REDUCED.

THEIR OLD LEASES ON THE PROPERTIES, WHICH ARE IN MODY ROAD, HANOI ROAD, CORNWALL AVENUE AND BRISTOL AVENUE, EXPIRED IN 1978.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID HE EXPECTED MORE OF THE REMAINING 15 OWNERS TO ACCEPT THE GOVERNMENT'S OFFER OVER THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

THE TERMS OF THE OFFER INCLUDE PREMIUM PAYMENT BY 21 ANNUAL INSTALMENTS, THE FIRST OF WHICH FALLS DUE ON DECEMBER 31 THIS YEAR.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE MAJORITY OF THE OWNERS WHO HAD RETURNED ACCEPTANCE SLIPS HAD ALSO INDICATED THAT THEY WOULD PAY THEIR FIRST INSTALMENT BY THE DUE DATE.

SOME HAD EVEN ENCLOSED CHEQUES FOR THE REQUIRED AMOUNT, HE SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT HAD DECIDED TO TAKE OVER MANAGEMENT OF ANY PROPERTIES WHERE OWNERS DECLINED TO ACCEPT THE GOVERNMENT'S OFFER TO RENEW LEASES.

+IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS THESE OCCUPIERS WILL BE SENT A LETTER INFORMING THEM THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAS ENTERED INTO MANAGEMENT OF THE PROPERTIES AND THEY SHOULD CEASE PAYING RENT TO THE FORMER OWNERS WITH EFFECT FROM JANUARY 1, 1987,+ HE SAID.

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IMPORTANCE OF CIVIC AWARENESS FOR STUDENTS STRESSED
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THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR MICHAEL LEUNG, TODAY (SATURDAY) SPOKE OF THE NEED TO ENCOURAGE STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN CIVIC EDUCATION RELATED ACTIVITIES SO AS TO DEVELOP THEIR CIVIC AWARENESS AND ABILITY TO DIFFERENTIATE RIGHT FROM WRONG.

SPEAKING AT THE PRIZE-PRESENTATION CEREMONY OF THE INTER-SCHOOL CIVIC EDUCATION PROJECT COMPETITION, MR LEUNG SAID THROUGH PARTICIPATION STUDENTS WOULD LEARN TO UNDERSTAND SOCIETY AND TAKE THE INITIATIVE TO CARE FOR COMMUNITY AFFAIRS.

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HE ALSO NOTED THAT SUSTAINED EFFORTS WERE MADE BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT TO PROMOTE CIVIC EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS.

IT HAD PUBLISHED AND ISSUED TO SCHOOLS A SET OF +GUIDELINES ON CIVIC EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS+ IN 1985. A CIVIC EDUCATION RESOURCE CENTRE WAS ALSO ESTABLISHED TO PROVIDE TEACHING RESOURCES LATE LAST YEAR AND MORE THAN 90 SEMINARS ON CIVIC EDUCATION WERE ORGANISED FOR TEACHERS.

TO FIND OUT HOW CIVIC EDUCATION WAS IMPLEMENTED IN SCHOOLS AND ITS EFFECTS AND DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED, THE DEPARTMENT CONDUCTED AN EVALUATION EXERCISE A FEW MONTHS AGO.

MR LEUNG SAID THE FINDINGS ON THE RESULTS WERE ENCOURAGING AS MORE THAN 80 PER CENT OF SCHOOLS ADOPTED THE CROSS-CURRICULAR APPROACH SUGGESTED IN THE GUIDELINES AND MADE USE OF EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES.

ON THE COMPETITION ITSELF, MR LEUNG SAID THE WORK OF STUDENTS DEMONSTRATED THEIR UNIQUENESS IN TERMS OF THEME, FORM OF EXPRESSION AND IMAGE PROJECTION.

ALOS PRAISING THE EXCELLENT WORK OF THE STUDENTS WAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEMBER, MRS RITA FAN, WHO SAID THE WINNING ENTRIES SHOWED THAT STUDENTS CARED FOR THE COMMUNITY WITH A BROADENED OUTLOOK.

THE COMPETITION DEMONSTRATED THAT THE AIM OF PROMOTING CIVIC EDUCATION HAD BEEN ACHIEVED, SAID MRS FAN.

STUDENTS OF 36 PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS WERE LATER PRESENTED WITH BOOK COUPONS VALUED AT BETWEEN $200 AND $5 000 FOR THEIR WINNING ENTRIES.

TOP PRIZES WERE AWARDED TO THE FUNG KAI NO.1 SECONDARY SCHOOL IN THE SECONDARY SCHOOL SECTION OF THE COMPETITION AND MA TAU CHUNG GOVERNMENT PRIMARY P.M. SCHOOL IN THE PRIMARY SCHOOL SECTION.

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NEED FOR MORE TRAINED TEACHERS EMPHASISED
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ABOUT 13 100 GRADUATE TEACHERS WILL BE REQUIRED BY 1994 TO MEET GOVERNMENT'S TARGETS IN SECONDARY EDUCATION, THE BROADENING OF THE CURRICULUM, THE ALLOCATION OF ADDITIONAL MANPOWER TO SCHOOLS FOR MORE EFFECTIVE TEACHING AND GUIDANCE AND TO SUPPORT A WIDER RANGE OF EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR LI YUET-TING, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

SPEAKING AT A GRADUATION CEREMONY OF THE FACULTY OF EDUCATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG, MR LI SAID THE DEMAND FOR GRADUATE TEACHERS HAD BEEN INCREASING SINCE THE MID-1970'S AND THERE WERE ABOUT 10 600 GRADUATE TEACHERS SERVING IN GOVERNMENT, AIDED AND THE BETTER SECONDARY SCHOOLS AT THIS STAGE.

+AS THE EDUCATION SYSTEM IN HONG KONG CONTINUES TO GROW AND DEVELOP, THERE WILL BE A NEED NOT MERELY FOR MORE GRADUATE TEACHERS BUT MORE GRADUATE TEACHERS WHO ARE PROPERLY TRAINED AND SUITABLY QUALIFIED FOR THEIR JOB,+ HE SAID.

THE EDUCATION COMMISSION IN ITS REPORT NO. 2 HAD RECOMMENDED THAT THE PROPORTION OF TRAINED GRADUATE TEACHERS SHOULD BE INCREASED TO 80 PER CENT BY 1994 AS AN INTERIM MEASURE AND THAT THE ULTIMATE TARGET SHOULD BE SET AT 90 PER CENT COMPARED WITH ONLY ABOUT 60 PER CENT OF TRAINED SERVING GRADUATE TEACHERS AS AT PRESENT.

IN THE EVENT THESE RECOMMENDATIONS WERE ACCEPTED BY THE GOVERNMENT, MR LI SAID ADDITIONAL RESOURCES WOULD BE PROVIDED THROUGH THE UNIVERSITY AND POLYTECHNIC GRANTS COMMITTEE AND THE GOVERNMENT WOULD CONSULT FURTHER WITH THE UNIVERSITIES.

MR LI SAID THERE WOULD ALSO BE A NEED FOR MORE AND BETTER PREPARED TEACHER TRAINERS TO MEET THE DEMAND FOR A GREATER SUPPLY OF NON-GRADUATE TEACHERS.

TO IMPLEMENT THE EDUCATION COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATIONS IN ITS REPORT NO. 2 FOR THE TRAINING OF QUALIFIED ASSISTANT KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS, QUALIFIED KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS, TECHNICAL TEACHERS AND INSTRUCTORS IN TECHNICAL INSTITUTES, AND TEACHERS OF CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL EDUCATION NEEDS, MR LI SAID THERE WOULD ALSO BE A GREATER DEMAND FOR MORE EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATORS, CURRICULUM PLANNERS AND GUIDANCE TEACHERS.

IN ADDITION, THERE WOULD BE A NEED TO RAISE THE PROFESSIONALISM AND LEADERSHIP OF HEADS OF PRIMARY SCHOOLS AND SPECIAL SCHOOLS, TO FURTHER IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF EDUCATION PROVIDED IN THESE SECTORS.

+THERE WILL ALSO BE A NEED TO UPDATE THE PROFESSIONAL TRAINING OF NON-GRADUATE TEACHERS OF PRACTICAL, TECHNICAL AND CULTURAL SUBJECTS, IN ORDER TO BETTER EQUIP THEM TO TEACH THESE SUBJECTS IN THE UPPER FORMS,+ HE ADDED.

/+THE EDUCATION .....

+THE EDUCATION COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE INTRODUCTION OF PART-TIME IN-SERVICE BACHELOR EDUCATION DEGREE COURSES IN LOCAL TERTIARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTUIONS ARE AIMED AT MEETING SUCH NEEDS,+ MR LI SAID.

+IF ACCEPTED BY THE GOVERNMENT, THE VIEWS AND THE COOPERATION OF THE TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS WILL BE SOUGHT ON A CO-ORDINATED PLAN OF IMPLEMENTATION,+ HE SAID.

ON THE GREATER NEED TO KEEP TEACHERS UP-TO-DATE, PREPARE THEM FOR CURRICULAR CHANGES AND HELP THEM TO DEVELOP NEW SKILLS, MR LI SAID THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT WAS RUNNING SYSTEMATIC COURSES OF RETRAINING FOR TEACHERS WHOSE INITIAL TRAINING WAS EITHER OUTDATED OR CONSIDERED TO BE INADEQUATE BY PRESENT DAY STANDARD. SHORT COURSES PROVIDING REFRESHER TRAINING WERE ALSO OFFERED.

WITH A TEACHING FORCE OF ABOUT 45 000, MR LI SAID THE DEPARTMENT'S EFFORTS CLEARLY NEEDED TO BE SUPPLEMENTED AND COMPLEMENTED.

ON THE RAPID EXPANSION AND CHANGE IN THE EDUCATION SYSTEM, MR LI SAID IT WAS ESSENTIAL FOR THE DEPARTMENT TO LIAISE AND COLLABORATE CLOSELY WITH THE FACULTY AND SCHOOL OF EDUCATION IN THE TWO UNIVERSITIES ON MATTERS RELATING TO EDUCATION PARTICULARLY TEACHER PREPARATION.

USEFUL LINKS HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT AND THE UNIVERSITIES FOR THIS PURPOSE, IN THE FORM OF A TEACHER EDUCATION CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE AND A TEACHER EDUCATION CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE.

ALL PARTIES WERE WORKING TOGETHER IN A NUMBER OF EDUCATIONAL RESEACH PROJECTS, IN CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT, IN THE PLANNING OF IN-SERVICE COURSE FOR TEACHERS AND IN ASSESSING FUTURE TEACHER REQUIREMENTS.

+I HOPE THAT THIS LINK WILL BE EXTENDED AND FURTHER STRENGTHENED THROUGH CLOSER CONSULTATION AND COOPERATION IN THE DAYS AHEAD,+ MR LI SAID.

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MEET THE MEDIA
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THE SECRETARY (GENERAL DUTIES), MR BARRIE WIGGHAM, WILL REVIEW THE WORK OF HIS BRANCH AT A YEAR-END MEET-THE-MEDIA SESSION AT 11.30 AM ON MONDAY (DECEMBER 22) AT THE GIS PRESS CONFERENCE ROOM, FIFTH FLOOR, BEACONSFIELD HOUSE.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

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MEET THE MEDIA
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THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY, MR PIERS JACOBS, WILL MEET MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ON TUESDAY (DECEMBER 23) AT 2.30 PM IN THE GIS PRESS CONFERENCE ROOM. HE WILL REVIEW HONG KONG'S ECONOMY DURING THE YEAR.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND THIS SESSION WHICH WILL BE HELD IN THE GIS PRESS CONFERENCE ROOM ON THE FIFTH FLOOR, BEACONSFIELD HOUSE, CENTRAL.

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YAU MA TEI STREETS CLEANSED

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A CLEANSING DAY WAS HELD IN YAU MA TEI TODAY (SATURDAY) TO BOOST PUBLIC AWARENESS AND PARTICIPATION IN KEEPING THE ENVIRONMENT CLEAN.

THE OPERATION WAS LAUNCHED BY THE YAU MA TEI ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT CAMPAIGN ORGANISING COMMITTEE AS PART OF EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THE LIVING ENVIRONMENT.

CLEANSING STAFF OF THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT WERE DEPLOYED TO CLEAN YAU MA TEI MARKET. THEY WILL CLEAN OTHER MARKET AREAS IN THE DISTRICT OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS.

LEADING THE WHOLE OPERATION WERE YAU MA TEI ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MISS SANDY HO, AND SENIOR SUPERINTENDENT (KOWLOON SOUTH) OF THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT, MR WONG TAK-FAN.

THEY AND MEMBERS OF THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE HELPED IN STREET CLEANSING WORK AFTER AN OPENING CEREMONY WAS HELD AT THE HENRY G. LEONG YAU MA TEI COMMUNITY CENTRE.

THE DISTRICT'S FIVE AREA COMMITTEES WILL ALSO BE MOBILISED TO CONDUCT AREA INSPECTIONS TO IDENTIFY PROBLEM SPOTS AND ENVIRONMENTAL NUISANCES. THEIR VIEWS AND RECOMMENDATIONS WILL BE FORWARDED TO RELEVANT GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS FOR CONSIDERATION.

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SPECIAL CAR NUMBERS AUCTIONED

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THIRTY-FOUR SPECIAL VEHICLE REGISTRATION NUMBERS WERE SOLD BY AUCTION THIS MORNING (SATURDAY) FOR A TOTAL OF $585 500 WHICH WILL GO INTO THE GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES FUND FOR CHARITY PURPOSES.

THE AUCTION HELD AT RECITAL HALL OF THE CITY HALL, 8TH FLOOR, SAW THE REGISTRATION NUMBER 821 FETCH THE HIGHEST PRICE OF $80 000.

ANOTHER NUMBER DL28 WAS SOLD AT THE SECOND HIGHEST PRICE OF $70 000 WHILE THE LOWEST PRICE WAS $1 000 FOR DL1997, BH411, CP5255 AND DL4147.

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THE OTHER SPECIAL REGISTRATION NUMBERS WERE SOLD AT THE FOLLOWING PRICES :-

	$		$		$
DK3088	6 000	DK4563	11 000	DL 168	35 000
DK9993	2 200	DK3378	3 500	CL3399	15 000
DK 888	66 000	CS 811	7 000	DL 911	11 000
HK 821	10 000	AK 833	15 000	DL5851	2 500
DL 711	4 000	BK 5	40 000	AW 702	4 000
CW9779	WITHDRAWN	DL 201	8 500		
DK 801	5 000	DL 882	11 000		
DL 326	4 000	DL 301	2 000		
AR7373	5 600	DL 13	60 000		
DK 886	7 000	AK 822	10 000		
AL4376	1 700	XX1661	35 000		
CL 7	45 000	DL 102	4 500		

SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS WILL BE REQUIRED TO PAY IN CASH OR BY CHEQUE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE BIDDING.

THE NUMBERS AUCTIONED WILL BE ASSIGNED ONLY TO VEHICLES REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS WITH 12 MONTHS OF THE DATE OF AUCTION.

TODAY'S SALE, THE 110TH ORGANISED BY THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SINCE MAY 1973, BROUGHT THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONEY FOR CHARITY REALISED SO FAR TO $41 024 332.

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EARLIER PAYMENT FOR WELFARE RECIPIENTS

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RECIPIENTS OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AND SPECIAL NEEDS ALLOWANCE HOLDING CASH ORDER BOOKS MAY RECEIVE EARLIER PAYMENT IF THEIR PAYMENT DATES FALL ON DECEMBER 25 AND 26, WHICH ARE PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

A SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THEY MAY CASH THEIR COUPONS ON DECEMBER 23 AND 24 RESPECTIVELY OR AFTER AT THE DESIGNATED POST OFFICES, NEW TERRITORIES DISTRICT OFFICES AND TREASURY SUB-OFFICES.

PAYMENT OF SNA THROUGH THE BANK PAYMENT SYSTEM WILL ALSO BE ADVANCED TO DECEMBER 24 FROM DECEMBER 25.

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CONSERVATION PROJECT SETS RECORD

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN THE +CLEAN AND GREEN+ SCHEME ORGANISED FOR THE FOURTH CONSECUTIVE YEAR BY THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT HAS SET A NEW RECORD.

SINCE EARLY NOVEMBER, A TOTAL OF 7 484 PEOPLE HAVE JOINED AND COMPLETED STAGE ONE OF THE SCHEME.

THE DEPARTMENT'S ACTING ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (CONSERVATION AND COUNTRY PARKS) MR S.P. LAU, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY): +WE ARE INDEED VERY PLEASED WITH THE TURNOUT WHICH REPRESENTS A BIG JUMP OVER THE 1985 RECORD OF 5 740.+

+SUCH OVERWHELMING RESPONSE INDICATES A GROWING PUBLIC INTEREST IN COUNTRYSIDE CONSERVATION AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT IN KEEPING THE COUNTRY PARKS CLEAN AND GREEN.+

OF THE PARTICIPANTS, 452 SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THE SECOND STAGE BY ENROLLING IN ONE OR MORE OF THE FOUR COMPETITIONS DESIGNED TO TEST CONSERVATION KNOWLEDGE.

THESE INCLUDED A PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION, A CLOTH BADGE DESIGN COMPETITION, A SLOGAN COMPETITION AND A CROSSWORD PUZZLE CONTEST.

THEIR ENTRIES WERE ADJUDICATED BY THE CLEAN AND GREEN WORKING GROUP, CHAIRED BY MR WILLIAM WAN. THE TOP 10 ENTRIES IN EACH COMPETITION WILL RECEIVE PRIZES.

ALL 452 SEMI-FINALISTS WILL BE ABLE TO TAKE PART IN A GRAND OUTDOOR ACTIVITY TO BE HELD NEXT MONTH. PARTICIPANTS WILL BE INFORMED OF THE DETAILED ARRANGEMENT IN WRITING.

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PHOTO COMPETITION ON DISTRICT MONUMENTS ORGANISED

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YUEN LONG'S RICH HERITAGE WHICH DATES BACK TO SOME 800 YEARS AGO WILL BE THE THEME OF A PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION TO BE LAUNCHED IN FEBRUARY NEXT YEAR.

THE COMPETITION, PART OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE DISTRICT'S ARTS FESTIVAL, IS DIVIDED INTO OPEN AND STUDENTS SECTIONS.

PARTICIPANTS ARE INVITED TO SUBMIT NOT MORE THAN TWO COLOUR PHOTOGRAPHS BY JANUARY 23 FEATURING ANY ONE OF THE FOUR MONUMENTS IN THE DISTRICT, WHICH ARE KNOWN FOR THEIR HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL VALUE.

/THE MONUMENTS .....

THE MONUMENTS ARE KAT HING WAI IN KAM TIN, THE TSUI SHING LAU (PAGODA) IN PING SHAN, THE MAN LUN FUNG ANCESTRAL HALL IN FAN TIN TSUEN, SAN TIN AND THE YAU KUNG TONG ANCESTRAL STUDY HALL IN HA TSUEN.

GIFT COUPONS VALUED AT BETWEEN $300 AND $2 000 WILL BE AWARDED TO THE BEST THREE ENTRIES.

WINNING ENTRIES WILL BE EXHIBITED DURING THE FESTIVAL PERIOD BETWEEN FEBRUARY 10 AND MARCH 1 IN THE YUEN LONG PUBLIC LIBRARY.

DETAILS OF THE COMPETITION CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE PUBLIC ENQUIRIES COUNTERS AT THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT OFFICE BUILDING AND IN FAIRVIEW PARK AS WELL AS THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT BOARD SECRETARIAT.

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STUDENTS URGED TO SUPPORT CIVIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN

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STUDENTS IN NORTH DISTRICT SHOULD PLAY A MORE ACTIVE PART IN COMMUNITY AFFAIRS AND SERVICES TO BETTER FULFIL THEIR POTENTIAL AND ENHANCE THEIR AWARENESS OF CIVIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES, NORTH DISTRICT OFFICER, MR MATTHEW CHEUNG, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE +KNOW THE NORTH DISTRICT+ STUDY CAMP AT THE BAPTIST ASSEMBLY, MR CHEUNG SAID ONE OF THE MAJOR TASKS IN THE PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION WAS TO CULTIVATE AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF AND A SENSE OF BELONGING TOWARDS THEIR COMMUNITY.

HE URGED PARTICIPANTS TO MAKE USE OF THEIR LEISURE BY PARTICIPATING IN COMMUNITY BUILDING PROJECTS AND TO PUT THEIR KNOWLEDGE ACQUIRED AT SCHOOL INTO PRACTICE.

MR CHEUNG SAID THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAD ALSO MADE MANY EFFORTS IN PROMOTING CIVIC EDUCATION.

THE DISTRICT OFFICE, TOGETHER WITH OTHER VOLUNTARY AGENCIES HAD ORGANISED A SERIES OF CIVIC EDUCATION ACTIVITIES IN THE CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR, HE SAID.

THESE INCLUDED A CIVIC EDUCATION EXHIBITION, SEMINAR ON REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT, TALKS, ANTI-FALLING OBJECTS CAMPAIGN AS WELL AS VISITS TO GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND INSTITUTIONS.

+RESPONSE RECEIVED SO FAR HAVE BEEN MOST ENCOURAGING AND IT IS EXPECTED THAT MORE THAN 6 000 RESIDENTS IN THE DISTRICT WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE EVENTS TO BE ORGANISED IN THE COMING MONTHS,+ HE ADDED.

TODAY'S STUDY CAMP WAS ORGANISED BY THE NORTH DISTRICT SECONDARY SCHOOL HEADMASTERS' CONFERENCE WITH SPONSORSHIP FROM THE NORTH DISTRICT BOARD.

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ALARM SYSTEM FOR SAI KUNG BUILDING TO BE SWITCHED ON

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A SWITCHING-ON CEREMONY WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY (DECEMBER 22) TO MARK THE INSTALLATION OF A SECURITY ALARM SYSTEM IN THE SIU YAT BUILDING IN SAI KUNG TOWN.

THE INSTALLATION IS ONE OF THE ACTIVITIES ORGANISED UNDER THE NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME OF THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME CAMPAIGN.

MOST HOUSEHOLDS IN THE BUILDING HAVE GIVEN THEIR FULL SUPPORT TO THE SYSTEM AND EACH CONTRIBUTED $230 TOWARDS THE INSTALLATION.

OFFICIATING AT THE CEREMONY WILL BE THE SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION AND MANPOWER, MR RON BRIDGE, SAI KUNG DISTRICT OFFICER, MR KEVIN HO, DEPUTY DISTRICT COMMANDER, WONG TAI SIN, MR LOUIS LAU, AND CHAIRMAN OF THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE, MR CHEUNG CHUN-HOI.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SWITCHING-ON CEREMONY ON MONDAY AT 11.30 AM. MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES SHOULD ASSEMBLE AT THE CARPARK OF THE SAI KUNG GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING , GROUND FLOOR, MAN NIN STREET, SAI KUNG, BY 11.15 AM.

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'CARE FOR THE OLD' CAMPAIGN BEGINS

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A MONTH-LONG +CARE FOR THE OLD+ CAMPAIGN ORGANISED BY THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICE BEGAN TODAY (SATURDAY) WITH A HEALTH TALK AND AN EXHIBITION ON HEALTH CARE AT THE TANG SHIU KIN SECONDARY SCHOOL. ABOUT 800 ELDERLY PEOPLE ATTENDED.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY, WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICER, MR ROGER GARCIA, SAID THE ANNUAL CAMPAIGN HAD BECOME A TRADITION IN WAN CHAI DISTRICT. IT HAD BEEN HELD FOR 17 YEARS.

APART FROM PROVIDING VARIOUS ACTIVITIES FOR OLD PEOPLE, THE CAMPAIGN ALSO CONTRIBUTED TOWARDS FOSTERING RESPECT FOR THE ELDERLY, HE SAID.

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ABOUT 400 OLD PEOPLE WILL RECEIVE FREE MEDICAL CHECK-UPS, VISITS TO HOMES FOR THE AGED WILL BE MADE, A FREE FILM SHOW FOR 1 000 OLD PEOPLE WILL BE HELD AND ABOUT 600 WILL BE INVITED TO A FREE DINNER.

THE CAMPAIGN, COSTING ABOUT $200 000, IS FUNDED MAINLY BY DONATIONS FROM LOCAL ORGANISATIONS AND RESIDENTS. THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD HAS ALLOCATED $20 000 TO SPONSOR THE PROJECT.

OTHER OFFICIATING GUESTS AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WERE CHAIRMAN OF THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR CHOW WAI-KAM; DEPUTY CHAIRMAN, MR HAU CHUNG-CHI; AND DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MRS PEGGY LAM.

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DISTRICT JOB SAFETY SCHEME TO BE OUTLINED

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DETAILS OF THE KWAI CHUNG AND TSING YI OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY PROMOTION SCHEME WILL BE GIVEN AT A PRESS CONFERENCE ON MONDAY (DECEMBER 22) BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE, DR LAI MING-WAH.

THE PRESS CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD AT 2.30 PM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF KWAI CHUNG AND TSING YI DISTRICT OFFICE, KWAI HING GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING.

CHIEF FACTORY INSPECTOR OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT, MR YIP YUK-LUN, REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE HONG KONG RED CROSS AND ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MR PETER LEUNG, WILL ALSO ATTEND.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE PRESS CONFERENCE AT 2.30 PM ON MONDAY IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT OFFICE, 10TH FLOOR, KWAI HING GOVERNMENT OFFICES (NEXT TO KWAI HING MTR STATION), 166-174, HING FONG ROAD, KWAI CHUNG.

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SEMINAR EXAMINES RELIGIOUS ASPECT

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MORE THAN 200 SECONDARY TEACHERS AND SCHOOL PRINCIPALS ATTENDED A SEMINAR THIS (SATURDAY) MORNING ON HOW RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS CAN HELP IN PROMOTING SEX EDUCATION.

ORGANISED BY THE RELIGIOUS AND ETHICAL EDUCATION SECTION OF THE ADVISORY INSPECTORATE OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, THE SEMINAR AIMED AT INCREASING TEACHERS' AWARENESS OF THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN RELIGIOUS STUDIES AND SEX EDUCATION, AND TO PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR TEACHERS TO EXCHANGE VIEWS.

SPEAKERS AT THE SEMINAR, HELD AT GRANTHAM COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, INCLUDED PRINCIPAL INSPECTOR OF RELIGIOUS AND ETHICAL EDUCATION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, MR M.P. LUK; AND HEAD OF THE RELIGION AND PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT AT HONG KONG BAPTIST COLLEGE, REV. T.S. YU.

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FUN-FILLED CHRISTMAS FOR SOUTHERN RESIDENTS

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A SERIES OF CHRISTMAS CONCERTS AND CARNIVALS WILL BE HELD IN ABERDEEN AND AP LEI CHAU DURING THE FESTIVE SEASON.

SPONSORED BY THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD, THE PROGRAMMES ARE ORGANISED BY THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT ARTS AND CULTURE ASSOCIATION, THE URBAN COUNCIL, AND MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES.

THE DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE HAS ALLOCATED ABOUT $17 000 TO SUPPORT THESE ACTIVITIES WHICH PROMOTE NEIGHBOURLINESS AND COMMUNITY SPIRIT.

THE CONCERT BY THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT CHILDREN'S CHOIR WILL BE HELD AT 7.30 PM TOMORROW (SUNDAY) IN THE CULTURAL ACTIVITIES HALL, ABERDEEN CIVIC CENTRE, FIFTH FLOOR, 203, ABERDEEN MAIN ROAD.

THE PROGRAMME WILL INCLUDE CHRISTMAS CAROLS, CHINESE AND WESTERN POPULAR AND FOLK SONGS, INSTRUMENTAL PERFORMANCES AND EASTERN FOLK DANCES. ADMISSION IS FREE.

THE CARNIVAL OFFERING STALL GAMES AND A VARIETY SHOW WILL BE HELD ON CHRISTMAS DAY FROM 10 AM TO 10 PM OUTSIDE THE AP LEI CHAU COMMUNITY HALL IN AP LEI CHAU ESTATE. RESIDENTS CAN ALSO ATTEND A CANTONESE OPERA PERFORMANCE INSIDE THE HALL.

A FUN FAIR WITH STALL GAMES WILL BE HELD ON BOXING DAY ON THE PODIUM OF MEI KWONG, MEI FAI AND MEI FUNG COURTS IN ABERDEEN CENTRE.

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CARNIVAL TO FOSTER CIVIC KNOWLEDGE

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A JOINT SCHOOL CARNIVAL WILL BE HELD IN THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT TOMORROW (SUNDAY) TO ENHANCE THE CIVIC KNOWLEDGE OF STUDENTS IN THE DISTRICT.

VARIOUS GAMES STALLS WILL BE SET UP BY THE SCHOOLS. THESE WILL INCLUDE COMPUTER GAMES.

THE CARNIVAL IS ORGANISED BY THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT SCHOOL LIAISON COMMITTEE AND SPONSORED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD.

IT WILL BE OPEN FOR THE PUBLIC FROM 2 PM AT THE OPEN DECK OF LOK FU SHOPPING CENTRE.

OFFICIATING GUESTS OF THE OPENING CEREMONY INCLUDE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT'S SCHOOL LIAISON COMMITTEE, MR ALBERT LI= CHAIRMAN OF THE CARNIVAL'S ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MISS AMY LEE= AND ASSISTANT WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT OFFICER (WEST), MR NG HON-WAH.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT JOINT SCHOOL CARNIVAL TO BEGIN AT 2 PM TOMORROW AT THE OPEN DECK OF LOK FU SHOPPING CENTRE, WANG TAU HOM.

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TO KWA WAN RESIDENTS TO SHOW THEIR TALENTS

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ABOUT 500 PRIMARY STUDENTS AND RESIDENTS IN TO KWA WAN NORTH WILL TAKE PART IN A PAINTING COMPETITION ON CIVIC EDUCATION AND A +HOW TO MAKE USE OF WASTE MATERIALS+ DESIGN COMPETITION IN THEIR AREA DAY AT HOI SHAM PARK TOMORROW (SUNDAY).

ABOUT 400 PRIMARY STUDENTS WILL TAKE PART IN A DRAWING COMPETITION, IN TWO SECTIONS, ON THE THEME OF +WHAT MY EYES SEE IN A GOOD CITIZEN+.

THE +HOW TO MAKE USE OF WASTE MATERIALS+ DESIGN COMPETITION REQUIRES PARTICIPANTS TO TURN USELESS MATERIALS INTO USEFUL PRODUCTS.

THERE WILL ALSO BE A CIVIC EDUCATION EXHIBITION AT THE VENUE.

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THE AREA DAY, JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE TO KWA WAN AREA COMMITTEE AND THE DISTRICT OFFICE, IS AIMED AT PROMOTING PARTICIPANTS' INTEREST AND CREATIVENESS IN ART, AND AT ENHANCING THEIR AWARENESS OF CIVIC EDUCATION.

PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED TO WINNERS AND SOUVENIRS WILL BE GIVEN TO PARTICIPANTS.

THESE WILL BE PRESENTED BY THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER OF KOWLOON CITY EAST, MR CHEN CHIEH, AND THE CHAIRMAN, VICE-CHAIRMAN AND TREASURER OF THE TO KWA WAN AREA COMMITTEE, MR MAK KING-LUN, LAM MING AND YIU KWOK-CHUNG, RESPECTIVELY.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE TO KWA WAN AREA DAY AT HOI SHAM PARK FROM 9 TO 11.30 AM TOMORROW.

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SHEUNG WAN TRAFFIC CHANGES

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MOTORISTS SHOULD TAKE NOTE OF A SERIES OF TRAFFIC CHANGES IN SHEUNG WAN STARTING FROM 10 AM ON DECEMBER 23 (TUESDAY).

WITH THE COMPLETION OF THE DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT, TRAFFIC IN THE AREA HAS TO BE READJUSTED TO ENSURE A SMOOTHER TRAFFIC FLOW. THE READJUSTMENTS INCLUDE CHANGES IN URBAN CLEARWAY RESTRICTIONS AND DESIGNATION OF BUS AND TRAM ONLY LANES.

THE EXISTING PROHIBITED ZONE FOR ALL VEHICLES ON WESTBOUND DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL BETWEEN WING LOK STREET AND HILLIER STREET WILL BE LIFTED. HOWEVER, THE WESTBOUND OFF-SIDE LANE OF DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH RUMSEY STREET AND A POINT ABOUT 60 METRES EAST OF THE SAME JUNCTION WILL BE MADE A TRAM AND BUS ONLY LANE. AT NO TIME WILL ANY VEHICLES OTHE THAN BUSES AND TRAMS BE ALLOWED TO ENTER THAT ROAD SECTION.

DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL BETWEEN MORRISON STREET AND HILLIER STREET, AND DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL WESTBOUND BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH RUMSEY STREET AND A POINT ABOUT 45 METRES WEST OF THE SAME JUNCTION WILL ALSO BE DESIGNATED TRAM ONLY LANES, ROUND THE CLOCK.

MEANWHILE, A NUMBER OF ROAD SECTIONS IN THE AREA BOUNDED BY CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL, WING LOK STREET, WING WO STREET AND MORRISON STREET WILL BE DESIGNATED URBAN CLEARWAYS OPERATING DURING DIFFERENT HOURS OF THE DAY.

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WHILE A MAJOR PART OF CLEVERLY STREET, AND SECTIONS OF THE SOUTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL NEAR CLEVERLY STREET AND MORRISON STREET WILL BE MADE 24-HOUR DAILY URBAN CLEARWAYS, HILLIER STREET, CLEVERLY STREET NEAR WING LOK STREET, THE SOUTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL AND THE SOUTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL NEAR MAN WA LANE AND RUMSEY STREET WILL BECOME URBAN CLEARWAYS OPERATING FROM 7 AM TO 7 PM.

IN ADDITION, A SMALL SECTION OF RUMSEY STREET NEAR ITS JUNCTION WITH WING LOK STREET WILL BE MADE A PEAK-HOUR (7 - 10 AM AND 4 - 7 PM) URBAN CLEARWAY.

CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS NOW IN FORCE IN THE AREA WILL BE RELAXED. THE EXISTING 24-HOUR DAILY URBAN CLEARWAY RESTRICTION ON THE NORTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL BETWEEN CLEVERLY STREET AND RUMSEY STREET WILL OPERATE ONLY FROM 7 AM TO 7 PM, WHILE THE EXISTING 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY URBAN CLEARWAY RESTRICTION FOR ALL VEHICLES ON MAN WA LANE WILL APPLY TO GOODS VEHICLES ONLY.

WITHIN THE ABOVE URBAN CLEARWAYS, NO VEHICLES OTHER THAN FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS.

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NEW ROADS OPENING IN MA ON SHAN

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FOUR NEW ROADS IN MA ON SHAN LEADING TO HANG ON ESTATE AND CHEVALIER GARDEN WILL BE OPEN TO TRAFFIC FROM 3 PM ON TUESDAY (DECEMBER 23).

THE NEW ROADS ARE MA ON SHAN ROAD, HANG SHUN STREET, HANG TAK STREET AND HANG HONG STREET.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE FOLLOWING ROAD SECTIONS IN MA ON SHAN WILL BE MADE 7 AM TO MIDNIGHT DAILY URBAN CLEARWAYS:

* TAI CHUNG KIU ROAD BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH SIU LEK YUEN ROAD AND A POINT ABOUT 100 METRES EAST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH ON SUM STREET.

* MA ON SHAN ROAD BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH HANG HONG STREET AND A POINT ABOUT 75 METRES WEST OF THE SAME JUNCTION.

* HANG HONG STREET BETWEEN MA ON SHAN ROAD AND THE ACCESS ROAD LEADING TO HANG ON ESTATE.

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* HANG TAK STREET.

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IN ADDITION, URBAN CLEARWAY RESTRICTIONS WILL BE IN FORCE AT THE FOLLOWING ROAD SECTIONS ROUND THE CLOCK:

* TAI CHUNG KIU ROAD BETWEEN MA ON SHAN ROAD AND A POINT ABOUT 100 METRES EAST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH ON SUM STREET.

* MA ON SHAN ROAD BETWEEN TAI CHUNG KIU ROAD AND A POINT ABOUT 75 METRES WEST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH HANG HONG STREET.

WITHIN THE URBAN CLEARWAYS, NO VEHICLE OTHER THAN FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS.

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URBAN CLEARWAYS DESIGNATED IN SHEUNG SHUI

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FROM 10 AM ON TUESDAY (DECEMBER 23), THE NORTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF TSUN FU STREET IN SHEUNG SHUI BETWEEN SAN FUNG AVENUE AND THE PUBLIC LIGHT BUS STAND WILL BE DESIGNATED A 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY URBAN CLEARWAY.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE SOUTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF TSUN FU STREET BETWEEN SAN HONG STREET AND SAN TSOI STREET WILL BECOME A PEAK HOUR (7 - 10 AM AND 4 - 7 PM) DAILY URBAN CLEARWAY.

NO VEHICLE WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP WITHIN THE URBAN CLEARWAYS FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS.

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RIGHT TURN BAN IN YUEN LONG

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TO FACILITATE CONSTRUCTION OF THE TUEN MUN-YUEN LONG LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT SYSTEM, NO VEHICLE WILL BE ALLOWED TO TURN RIGHT FROM CASTLE PEAK ROAD NORTHBOUND ON TO THE TONG YAN SUN TSUEN ACCESS ROAD IN YUEN LONG FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (DECEMBER 22).

VEHICLES ON CASTLE PEAK ROAD NORTHBOUND HEADING FOR THE TONG YAN SUN TSUEN ACCESS ROAD WILL BE DIVERTED TO TURN RIGHT ON TO SAN HEI TSUEN ACCESS ROAD.

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