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TAC NOD FOR FRONT SEAT BELTS IN TAXIS
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IN ORDER TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF FRONT SEAT PASSENGERS IN TAXIS AND LIGHT BUSES, TRANSPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS TODAY (TUESDAY) APPROVED THE PROPOSAL THAT FRONT SEAT PASSENGERS MUST WEAR SEAT BELT.

THE EXISTING LEGISLATION IMPOSES UPON TAXI DRIVERS THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE SAFETY OF PASSENGERS IN THEIR VEHICLES UNDER REGULATION 45(1)(D) OF THE ROAD TRAFFIC (PUBLIC SERVICE VEHICLES) REGULATIONS, AND TAC MEMBERS FELT THAT THIS GENERAL RESPONSIBILITY IS RELEVANT IN THE CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSAL BEFORE THEM.

AFTER CAREFUL CONSIDERATION, TAC MEMBERS DECIDED THAT THE FRONT SEAT PASSENGER SHOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS OWN ACT AND THE DRIVER SHOULD ONLY HAVE A MINIMUM RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT HIS PASSENGER COMPLIES WITH THE LAW. HENCE THEY PROPOSED THAT A MUCH LIGHTER SENTENCE SHOULD BE IMPOSED ON THE DRIVER.

THE PROPOSALS WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL FOR ITS CONSIDERATION.

MEMBERS ALSO AGREED THAT THERE SHOULD BE A PERIOD OF THREE MONTHS BETWEEN APPROVAL OF THE ENABLING LEGISLATION AND THE IMPLEMENTATION, DURING WHICH TIME A PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN DIRECTED AT BOTH PASSENGERS AND DRIVERS ON THE NEED TO WEAR SEAT BELTS WOULD BE MOUNTED.

TAC MEMBERS ALSO CONSIDERED THE PROPOSAL THAT GOODS VEHICLES MANUFACTURED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 1988 SHOULD BE REQUIRED TO BE FITTED WITH APPROVED FRONT SEAT BELTS.

THE DATE IS CHOSEN TO GIVE MOTOR TRADERS A SUFFICIENT GRACE PERIOD. APPROVAL IN PRINCIPLE HAS BEEN GIVEN BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL FOR THE COMPULSORY FITTING OF FRONT SEAT BELTS IN NEWLY REGISTERED GOODS VEHICLES.

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COURAGEOUS FIREMEN COMMENDED FOR RESCUE

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A FIRE OFFICER AND TWO FIREMEN WERE COMMENDED TODAY (TUESDAY) FOR THEIR COURAGE AND GALLANTRY IN PREVENTING A RECENT SUICIDE.

AT A PRESENTATION CEREMONY AT NORTH POINT FIRE STATION, ACTING CHIEF FIRE OFFICER, MR TAM YUK-FAN, PRESENTED THE DIRECTOR'S COMMENDATION TO STATION OFFICER KWONG KIN-HUNG, FIREMAN TO KING-YIN AND FIREMAN SIU WAI-KEUNG.

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ON AUGUST 13, A 75-YEAR-OLD WOMAN TRIED TO JUMP FROM HER 20TH FLOOR FLAT IN NORTH POINT.

WHEN FIREMEN ARRIVED AT THE SCENE, THEY SAW THE WOMAN PERCHED ON AN AWNING OUTSIDE THE FLAT.

THE THREE FIREMEN SHOWED THEIR COURAGE BY PUTTING THE WOMAN TO SAFETY AFTER DESCENDING FROM AN UPPER FLOOR BY ROPES AND WATERPIPES.

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AMS OPENS KOWLOON DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS
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THE AUXILIARY MEDICAL SERVICES RECENTLY OPENED ITS FIRST DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS IN KOWLOON TO PROVIDE BETTER TRAINING AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES FOR MEMBERS.

THE KOWLOON DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS, OCCUPYING PART OF THE OLD SHAM SHUI PO ARMY CAMP SITE, SERVES AS A COMMAND BASE AS WELL AS A TRAINING CENTRE.

FACILITIES INCLUDE A SIMULATED HOSPITAL WARD WITH TWO BEDS AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT, A 40-SEAT CLASS ROOM WITH TELEVISION AND VIDEO EQUIPMENT, AND INDOOR TRAINING CENTRE AND A PARADE GROUND.

TRAINING ACTIVITIES SUCH AS FIRST AID, HOME NURSING, CASUALTY EVACUATION AND DRILL CAN NOW BE CARRIED OUT IN A CENTRALLY LOCATED VENUE.

THE AUXILIARY MEDICAL SERVICES WAS FORMED IN 1950 TO AUGMENT THE EMERGENCY SERVICES OF THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND THOSE OF THE AMBULANCE SERVICE OF THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT. MEMBERSHIP NOW NUMBERS MORE THAN 5 700.

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REGISTRATION REVOKED

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THE COMMISSIONER OF BANKING ANNOUNCED THAT HE HAS TODAY REVOKED THE REGISTRATION OF THAI MERCANTILE DEVELOPMENT FINANCE LIMITED AS A DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANY, ON THE GROUND THAT THE COMPANY IS BEING WOUND UP.

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KOWLOON CITY DB MEMBERS SEE KCRC OPERATIONS
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KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS THIS (TUESDAY) MORNING VISITED THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY CORPORATION (KCRC) TO SEE ITS OPERATION AND TRAIN SERVICES.

LED BY DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR WONG SIK-KONG, AND DISTRICT OFFICER, MR ALEX FONG, THEY FIRST WENT TO THE CONTROL CENTRE AT KOWLOON STATION IN HUNG HOM TO SEE HOW TRAIN SERVICES ARE RUN.

THEY LATER BOARDED A SPECIAL TRAIN TO THE CORPORATION'S HEAD OFFICE AT KCRC HOUSE IN SHA TIN WHERE THEY WERE GIVEN AN INTRODUCTION TO THE COMPANY AND SAW A SLIDE PRESENTATION.

BOARD MEMBERS WERE LATER BRIEFED BY COMPANY MANAGING DIRECTOR, MR PETER QUICK, ON ITS MANAGEMENT AND FUTURE PLANS.

COMPANY COMMERCIAL DIRECTOR, MR ABRAHAM RAZACK, ALSO GAVE A BRIEF TO BOARD MEMBERS ON THE HUNG HOM BAY STUDY AND THE FREIGHT OPERATIONS.

TODAY'S VISIT IS PART OF AN ON-GOING PROGRAMME BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE TO ENABLE MEMBERS TO LEARN ABOUT THE OPERATIONS OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANIES.

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COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

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MEMBERS OF THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE WILL MEET ON THURSDAY (SEPTEMBER 25) TO DISCUSS PROJECTS TO IMPROVE TRAFFIC FLOW IN KOWLOON TONG.

THESE INCLUDE WIDENING LANCASHIRE ROAD AT THE JUNCTION WITH WATERLOO ROAD AND ASSOCIATED TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT MEASURES IN EAST KOWLOON TONG, AND CONSTRUCTION OF A FLYOVER ACROSS WATERLOO ROAD LINKING YORK ROAD AND HEREFORD ROAD.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO DISCUSS THE 1986-87 KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN WHICH WILL PUT EMPHASIS ON SAFETY FOR ELDERLY PEDESTRIANS.

DURING THE CAMPAIGN, A SERIES OF ACTIVITIES WILL BE ORGANISED TO EDUCATE RESIDENTS ON THE IMPORTANCE OF PEDESTRIAN SAFETY.

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THERE WILL ALSO BE A CROSS-WORD PUZZLE AND SLOGAN COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN AND A ROAD SAFETY DAY IN NOVEMBER.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE MEETING TO BE HELD AT 2.15 PM ON THURSDAY IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT OFFICE AT 141 KAU PUI LUNG ROAD, TO KWA WAN.

NO SIMULTANEOUS INTERPRETATION SERVICE WILL BE PROVIDED AT THE MEETING.

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DB MEMBERS TO VISIT NEW FIRE STATION
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MEMBERS OF THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD WILL VISIT THE NEW KOWLOON BAY FIRE STATION TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) MORNING.

THEY WILL LEARN ABOUT THE FACILITIES AND FIRE FIGHTING APPLIANCES AT THE STATION. THERE WILL ALSO BE A FIRE AND RESCUE EXERCISE DEMONSTRATION.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES INTENDING TO COVER THE VISIT SHOULD ASSEMBLE TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) AT 9.30 AM IN ROOM 111, DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS' OFFICE, KWUN TONG DISTRICT BRANCH OFFICES IN TUNG YAN STREET, KWUN TONG.

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BRIEFING ON MAN KAM TO TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

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MEMBERS OF THE TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE OF THE NORTH DISTRICT BOARD WILL BE BRIEFED TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) ON SPECIAL TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT MEASURES FOR SOLVING MAN KAM TO ROAD CONGESTION.

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THEY WILL ALSO CONSIDER TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS FOR SHEK WU HUI WHICH ENTAIL THE CONSTRUCTION OF A BUS TERMINUS, TAXI STANDS, MAXICAB RANKS, PARKING SPACES AND FOOTBRIDGES.

OTHER MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION INCLUDE THE PROVISION OF BUS SHELTERS IN THE DISTRICT, TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS INVOLVING ELDERLY PEDESTRIANS, AND TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE CHUNG YEUNG FESTIVAL NEXT MONTH.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE NORTH DISTRICT BOARD TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE MEETING TO BE HELD TOMORROW AT 2 PM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE, JOCKEY CLUB ROAD, FANLING.

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CIVIC AMBASSADORS SOUGHT IN KOWLOON CITY
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YOUNG PEOPLE LIVING, STUDYING OR WORKING IN KOWLOON CITY ARE BEING INVITED TO JOIN THE DISTRICT'S CIVIC AMBASSADOR SCHEME TO HELP PROMOTE CIVIC EDUCATION.

DISTRICT ORGANISATIONS, VOLUNTARY AGENCIES, SCHOOLS AND INDIVIDUALS MAY MAKE NOMINATIONS. THIRTY CIVIC AMBASSADORS WILL BE SELECTED.

A SERIES OF ACTIVITIES WILL BE ORGANISED IN THE NEXT TWO MONTHS TO EXPAND THE AMBASSADORS' KNOWLEDGE OF CIVIC RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES, AS WELL AS TO DEVELOP THEIR SENSE OF BELONGING.

THESE ACTIVITIES INCLUDE THREE SEMINARS ON CIVIC EDUCATION, DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION AND REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT.

THE AMBASSADORS WILL BE INVITED TO ATTEND AN OPEN MEETING OF THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT BOARD ON OCTOBER 23 AND A LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEETING IN NOVEMBER.

THESE MEETINGS WILL ENABLE THEM TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE FUNCTIONS AND OPERATIONS OF THE DISTRICT BOARD AND THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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IT IS INTENDED THAT THE AMBASSADORS SHOULD SHARE THEIR EXPERIENCES AND KNOWLEDGE WITH FRIENDS, COLLEAGUES AND RELATIVES.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT OFFICE AT KAU PUI LUNG ROAD AND ITS TWO SUB-OFFICES AT BULKERLEY STREET AND HO MAN TIN ESTATE. FURTHER INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ON 3-7110171, EXT. 30.

THE CIVIC AMBASSADOR SCHEME IS PART OF A SERIES OF PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT CIVIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN ORGANISING COMMITTEE WHICH WAS SET UP LAST YEAR.

A NUMBER OF ACTIVITIES HAVE ALREADY BEEN HELD TO PUBLICISE THE THEMES OF +CONCERN FOR THE COMMUNITY+, +PARTICIPATION BY THE PUBLIC+, +COURTESY AND CIVIC MINDEDNESS+, AND +NEIGHBOURLINESS AND PEACE+.

IN THE COMING MONTHS THE COMMITTEE WILL ALSO ORGANISE A MODEL STUDENT AWARD AND AN OUTSTANDING CITIZEN AWARD.

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MARKETING COURSES ORGANISED FOR BANKING STAFF
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BANKING PERSONNEL ARE INVITED TO APPLY FOR A COURSE ON MARKETING OF BANKING SERVICES. THE COURSE, TO BE HELD IN OCTOBER, HAS BEEN ORGANISED JOINTLY BY THE BANKING TRAINING BOARD OF THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL AND THE CITY POLYTECHNIC OF HONG KONG.

THE COURSE IS DESIGNED TO INTRODUCE BRANCH MANAGERS AND OFFICERS THE MARKETING CONCEPTS IN FINANCIAL AND BANKING SERVICES.

PARTICIPANTS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND FOUR LECTURES IN THE EVENINGS OF MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS FROM OCTOBER 20 TO 30.

THE COURSE FEE IS \$250 BUT HALF WILL BE REFUNDED IF PARTICIPANTS ARE SPONSORED BY EMPLOYERS, ATTAIN AN 80 PER CENT ATTENDANCE AND PASS THE END-OF-COURSE EVALUATION.

THE COURSE IS LIMITED TO 30 PERSONS, AND INSTRUCTION WILL BE IN BOTH CHINESE AND ENGLISH. THE DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS OCTOBER 3.

FURTHER INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE SECRETARY OF THE BANKING TRAINING BOARD, MR S.M. WOO, ON 5-8932341, EXT. 255.

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MORE SPECIAL CAR NUMBERS FOR AUCTION
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT WILL HOLD ANOTHER AUCTION OF SPECIAL CAR REGISTRATION NUMBERS ON SATURDAY (SEPTEMBER 27) AT 10 AM IN THE CITY HALL RECITAL HALL.

A TOTAL OF 35 SPECIAL CAR NUMBERS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR BIDDING. THEY ARE :

DK1668	DK 938	DK 740	DK2328	DK8088
BB 177	DK1323	DK 911	DK 6	AK 623
BK 9	BB 365	BB9779	DK 228	DK8228
DK 168	DK 100	AZ 365	DJ6318	DJ6848
AR 802	DJ5328	AA 177	DK3223	DJ8198
DK 18	DK8288	DL 2	DK 822	DK 300
DK 118	AA8787	AT 833	BG 801	DK7771

SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS MUST PAY IN CASH OR BY CHEQUE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE BIDDING.

A TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN REMINDED BIDDERS THAT THE VEHICLE REGISTRATION NUMBER WOULD BE ASSIGNED ONLY TO A VEHICLE REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WITHIN 12 MONTHS OF THE AUCTION.

PROCEEDS OF THE AUCTION WILL AS USUAL GO TO THE GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES FUND.

THE AUCTION WILL BE THE 108TH ORGANISED BY THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SINCE MAY 1973.

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APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR LANGUAGE TEACHING CONFERENCE
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EDUCATIONALISTS AND LINGUISTS INTENDING TO TAKE PART IN THE SECOND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON LANGUAGE TEACHING IN DECEMBER SHOULD SUBMIT THEIR APPLICATIONS BY NEXT TUESDAY (SEPTEMBER 30).

EXPERTS ON ENGLISH AND CHINESE LANGUAGE LEARNING AND TEACHING AND ON TEACHER TRAINING FROM 20 COUNTRIES WILL SPEAK AT THE THREE-DAY CONFERENCE. ORGANISED BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S INSTITUTE OF LANGUAGE IN EDUCATION, IT WILL RUN FROM DECEMBER 15 TO 17.

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THE TOPICS WILL INCLUDE COMPUTER AIDED LANGUAGE LEARNING, WORD-PROCESSING IN ENGLISH TEACHING, THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN RESEARCH AND TEACHING, AND PUTONGHUA TRAINING IN CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR CHINESE TEACHERS.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS WILL INCLUDE PROFESSOR HENRY WIDDOWSON, UNIVERSITY OF LONDON; PROFESSOR CHRISTOPHER BRUMFIT, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHAMPTON; PROFESSOR CHRISTINA BRATTPAULSTON AND PROFESSOR EDWARD ANTHONY, UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH; DR VERNER BICKLEY, INSTITUTE OF LANGUAGE IN EDUCATION; PROFESSOR HEIKKI NYSSONEN, UNIVERSITY OF OULU, FINLAND; MR BIKRAM DAS, REGIONAL LANGUAGE CENTRE, SINGAPORE; MR CHEAH CHAK MUN, SINGAPORE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT; PROFESSOR WANG PING ZHENG, YUNNAN EDUCATION COLLEGE; PROFESSOR ZHANG SHAO-KANG, BEIJING NORMAL COLLEGE; PROFESSOR LU BISONG, BEIJING LANGUAGE INSTITUTE; AND MISS PEGGY WANG, MCGILL UNIVERSITY, CANADA.

FURTHER INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION FORMS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE DIRECTOR, INSTITUTE OF LANGUAGE IN EDUCATION, PARK-IN COMMERCIAL CENTRE, 21/F, 56 DUNDAS STREET, KOWLOON, TELEPHONE 3-7719486.

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PRESS CONFERENCE ON YOUTH ARTS COMPETITIONS
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A PRESS CONFERENCE TO ANNOUNCE DETAILS OF THE 12TH HONG KONG YOUTH CULTURAL AND ARTS COMPETITIONS WILL BE HELD AT 4 PM ON THURSDAY (SEPTEMBER 25) AT THE JADE CHIU CHOW GARDEN RESTAURANT IN CONNAUGHT CENTRE.

ATTENDING WILL BE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HONG KONG YOUTH CULTURAL AND ARTS COMPETITIONS, MR SHUM CHOI-SANG; THE PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY (HONG KONG AND KOWLOON) OF THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION, MR GREGORY LEUNG; AND HEAD OF THE RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG GENERAL PROGRAMME SECTION, MR JOHNY MING.

THE CHAIRMEN OF THE ORGANISING COMMITTEES FOR THE 10 EVENTS WILL ALSO BE PRESENT TO INTRODUCE THE COMPETITIONS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE PRESS CONFERENCE ON THE 12TH HONG KONG YOUTH CULTURAL AND ARTS COMPETITIONS AT 4 PM ON THURSDAY AT THE JADE CHIU CHOW GARDEN RESTAURANT, CONNAUGHT CENTRE.

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AWARDS FOR POSTER DESIGN WINNERS
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WINNERS OF A POSTER DESIGN COMPETITION ORGANISED BY THE CENTRAL CONTAINER HANDLING SAFETY COMMITTEE RECEIVED AWARDS FROM ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR, MR YIU YAN-NANG, TODAY (TUESDAY).

AT A CEREMONY AT THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT'S INDUSTRIAL SAFETY TRAINING CENTRE, MR YIU PRESENTED A CHEQUE FOR \$5 000 TO THE WINNER, MR LEE HOI-MING.

THE FIRST RUNNER-UP, MR RASON POON, RECEIVED \$3 000 WHILE MR LEUNG SO-LAM, RECEIVED \$1 000 FOR COMING THIRD.

THE CENTRAL CONTAINER HANDLING SAFETY COMMITTEE IS CURRENTLY HOLDING A YEAR-LONG CAMPAIGN TO PROMOTE INDUSTRIAL SAFETY AND HEALTH AMONG WORKERS IN THE CONTAINER HANDLING INDUSTRY.

THE POSTER DESIGN COMPETITION IS THE FIRST PROGRAMME ORGANISED BY THE COMMITTEE.

HIGHLIGHT OF THE CAMPAIGN IS A CONTAINER COMPANY SAFETY AWARD WHICH WILL BE GIVEN TO THE PARTICIPATING COMPANY REPORTING THE LEAST ACCIDENTS DURING THE 12-MONTH PERIOD ENDING NEXT MAY.

AS PART OF THE QUALIFYING PROCEDURE, EACH PARTICIPATING COMPANY WILL BE REQUIRED TO HOLD A +SAFETY WEEK+ TO PROMOTE SAFETY AWARENESS AMONG ITS EMPLOYEES.

OTHER PROGRAMMES TO BE ORGANISED INCLUDE A LOGO COMPETITION, A SLOGAN COMPETITION AND A SPREADER DESIGN COMPETITION.

FACTORY INSPECTORS FROM THE DEPARTMENT WILL TAKE PART IN THE CAMPAIGN GIVING TALKS AND ADVICE ON INDUSTRIAL SAFETY.

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DETAILS OF BOOK REVIEW COMPETITION

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A PRESS LUNCHEON TO INTRODUCE THE THIRD BOOK REVIEW PRIZE COMPETITION WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY (SEPTEMBER 25) AT 12.30 PM IN THE UNITED RESTAURANT IN UNITED CENTRE, QUEENSWAY.

AIMED AT ENCOURAGING READING AND ENHANCING SKILLS IN WRITTEN EXPRESSION, THE COMPETITION IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG AND SING TAO YAT PAO LIMITED.

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ATTENDING THE PRESS LUNCHEON WILL BE HEAD OF CULTURAL PROGRAMME DEVELOPMENT, MR CHUNG WAI-MING; HEAD OF EDUCATION UNIT, MRS TERESA LEE; AND PRODUCERS MR BENNY NGAI AND MISS JENNY LEE.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

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A CHANCE TO DISPLAY OPERA TALENTS
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CANTONESE OPERA ENTHUSIASTS CAN TAKE PART IN A SINGING COMPETITION ORGANISED BY THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT FESTIVAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE AND THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT ARTS COUNCIL.

THE COMPETITION WILL BE HELD DURING THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT FESTIVAL IN NOVEMBER.

PEOPLE WHO LIVE, WORK OR STUDY IN WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT MAY APPLY THROUGH THE BRANCH OFFICES OF THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE DISTRICT'S ARTS COUNCIL AT BLOCK 30, LOWER WONG TAI SIN ESTATE, BY OCTOBER 15.

THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS WILL BE LIMITED TO 60, AND ENTRY WILL BE ACCEPTED ON A FIRST-COME-FIRST-SERVED BASIS.

THE FINAL WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 23.

THE WINNER AND THE FIRST AND SECOND RUNNERS-UP WILL BE INTERVIEWED AND INVITED TO PERFORM DURING A CANTONESE OPERA PROGRAMME ON RTHK RADIO 5 ON NOVEMBER 30.

THE DISTRICT FESTIVAL WILL RUN FROM NOVEMBER 16 TO 30.

THE WIDE-RANGING PROGRAMME INCLUDES FOOTBALL AND BASKETBALL COMPETITIONS, A FAMILY FUN CAMP, ROUND-THE-DISTRICT RACE, VARIETY SHOWS, CONCERTS, EXHIBITIONS, A DEBATE, AND FILMS.

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POK FU LAM WATER CUT
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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN POK FU LAM WILL BE TURNED OFF FROM 10 AM ON FRIDAY (SEPTEMBER 26) TO 5 PM THE SAME DAY FOR MAINS WORK.

THE AFFECTED PREMISES ARE BOUNDED BY POK FU LAM ROAD, VICTORIA ROAD AND SASSOON ROAD, INCLUDING TAI WAN SAN TSUEN AND TELEGRAPH VILLAGE.

IT WILL ALSO AFFECTED 1-35 AND 2-10 MOUNT DAVIS ROAD, BLOCKS A, B AND C OF 96 POK FU LAM ROAD AND HO TUNG HILL SQUATTER AREA.

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INTAKE CULVERT TO BE EXTENDED
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A 70-METRE-LONG BOX CULVERT IS TO BE BUILT IN THE SAI WAN HO AREA TO CONNECT THE EXISTING INTAKE CULVERT AT THE SEAWALL WITH THE FUTURE SAI WAN HO SALT WATER PUMPING STATION TO BE BUILT ON RECLAMATION NEAR THE FERRY PIER.

THE PUMPING STATION, WHEN COMPLETED, WILL SERVE RESIDENTS OF SHAU KEI WAN.

WORK IS DUE TO START IN NOVEMBER AND BE COMPLETED IN EIGHT MONTHS.

THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE PROJECT.

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TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES ON ISLAND
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TO FACILITATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FOOTBRIDGE, THE WESTBOUND CARRIAGEWAYS OF GLOUCESTER ROAD AND HARCOURT ROAD BETWEEN O'BRIEN ROAD AND RODNEY STREET WILL BE TEMPORARILY CLOSED TO TRAFFIC DAILY BETWEEN 1 AM AND 5 AM ON THURSDAY (SEPTEMBER 25) AND FRIDAY.

DURING THE CLOSURE, WESTBOUND VEHICLES ON GLOUCESTER ROAD HEADING FOR CENTRAL WILL BE DIVERTED TO INNER GLOUCESTER ROAD, FENWICK STREET, HENNESSY ROAD AND QUEENSWAY.

IN ADDITION, FUK KWAN AVENUE IN CAUSEWAY BAY WILL BE TEMPORARILY CLOSED TO TRAFFIC, EXCEPT THOSE FOR ACCESS, FROM FRIDAY (SEPTEMBER 26) TO OCTOBER 9. THE MEASURE IS TO FACILITATE ROAD RECONSTRUCTION WORK.

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RIGHT TURN BAN ON PAN HOI STREET

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NO VEHICLE ON PAN HOI STREET, NORTH POINT, WILL BE ALLOWED TO TURN RIGHT ON TO KING'S ROAD FROM 10 AM TOMORROW (SEPTEMBER 24).

THE MEASURE IS IMPLEMENTED IN CONNECTION WITH THE OPENING OF A NEW FOOTBRIDGE AT THE JUNCTION OF PAN HOI STREET AND KING'S ROAD AND THE CANCELLATION OF A TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT THE SAME JUNCTION.

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URBAN CLEARWAY RESTRICTION IN WAH FU

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TWO SECTIONS OF WATERFALL BAY ROAD IN WAH FU ESTATE WILL BE DESIGNATED PEAK-HOUR (7 TO 10 AM AND 4 TO 7 PM) DAILY URBAN CLEARWAYS FROM 10 AM ON FRIDAY (SEPTEMBER 26).

THEY ARE:

- * THE EASTERN KERBSIDE LANE OF WATERFALL BAY ROAD BETWEEN A POINT ABOUT 85 METRES SOUTH OF ITS SOUTHERN JUNCTION WITH WAH FU ROAD AND A POINT ABOUT 110 METRES SOUTH OF THE SAME JUNCTION.
- * THE WESTERN KERBSIDE LANE OF WATERFALL BAY ROAD BETWEEN A POINT ABOUT 95 METRES SOUTH OF THE SAME JUNCTION AND A POINT ABOUT 120 METRES SOUTH OF THE SAME JUNCTION.

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

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