



# DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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DAILY GUIDE TO WHOLESALE PRICES AND SUPPLY OF BASIC FOOD  
COMMODITIES

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**MORE CASH PRIZES IN THIS YEAR'S GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES  
TICKETS NOW ON SALE  
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EVERYONE STANDS A BIGGER CHANCE OF STRIKING IT RICH IN THIS YEAR'S GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES SERIES WHICH FEATURE BIGGER AND MORE CASH PRIZES TO BE WON.

THIS YEAR THERE WILL BE 10 LOTTERIES, THREE MORE THAN LAST YEAR: EXCEPT FOR THE FIRST, WHICH WILL LAST THREE WEEKS FROM TODAY, THE OTHERS WILL BE HELD AT FORTNIGHTLY INTERVALS.

TICKETS FOR THE FIRST ARE NOW ON SALE AT \$2 FROM ALL ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB SELLING BOOTHS, FERRY PIERS AND FROM VARIOUS BANK OFFICES THROUGHOUT HONG KONG.

A NEW FEATURE IN THIS YEAR'S LOTTERIES IS THE INTRODUCTION OF 106 CONSOLATION PRIZES, IN ADDITION TO THE FIRST, SECOND, THIRD AND 50 SPECIAL PRIZES TO BE WON.

OUTLINING THE NEW FEATURE AT A PRESS CONFERENCE TODAY, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, MR. KAI-YIN CHAU, SAID CONSOLATION PRIZES WOULD BE PAID ON THOSE TICKET NUMBERS IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING OR FOLLOWING ANY OF THE WINNING NUMBERS IN THE DRAW.

EACH CONSOLATION PRIZE WOULD BE WORTH 0.1 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL PROCEEDS, THE SAME AMOUNT AS A SPECIAL PRIZE, HE SAID.

THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF PRIZES WILL TAKE UP 60 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL PROCEEDS WITH THE REST GOING TO THE LOTTERIES FUND TO BE USED FOR THE PROMOTION OF COMMUNITY WELFARE PROJECTS. THE FIRST PRIZE WILL BE WORTH 40 PER CENT OF THE PROCEEDS, THE SECOND PRIZE FOUR PER CENT AND THE THIRD 0.4 PER CENT.

+IF, FOR EXAMPLE, ONE MILLION TICKETS AT \$2 EACH WERE SOLD, THE FIRST PRIZE WOULD FETCH \$800,000, THE SECOND PRIZE \$80,000, THE THIRD \$8,000, A SPECIAL PRIZE \$2,000 AND A CONSOLATION PRIZE ALSO \$2,000,+ MR. CHAU EXPLAINED.

+THERE IS THUS A CHANCE THAT THREE TICKETS WITH CONSECUTIVE NUMBERS BOUGHT AT THE SAME TIME WILL FETCH A TOTAL OF \$6,000 IF THE MIDDLE TICKET WINS A SPECIAL PRIZE.

+THE TOTAL WINNINGS IS OF COURSE CONSIDERABLY HIGHER IF THE MIDDLE TICKET WINS ONE OF THE HIGHER PRIZES,+ MR. CHAU SAID.

AS ANOTHER ATTRACTION FOR THIS YEAR'S LOTTERIES, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL BE INVITED TO HELP POPULAR ARTISTES TO DRAW NUMBERS FOR THE WINNING TICKETS.

FOR THE FIRST DRAW, TO BE HELD ON JUNE 1 IN THE CITY HALL THEATRE, FOUR COMMERCIAL RADIO ARTISTES -- MISS WONG KAR MAN, MISS YIU KWONG MAN, MISS LEUNG YUK PING AND MR. LOK SHIH -- WILL TAKE PART.

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IMMEDIATELY AFTERWARDS, COMMERCIAL RADIO WILL STAGE A SHOW TO ENTERTAIN THE AUDIENCE PRESENT AT THE DRAW.

THE FOUR ARTISTES WILL ALSO APPEAR AT SOUTHOBN PLAYGROUND FROM 5 TO 6 P.M. NEXT MONDAY (MAY 20) AND AT MACPHERSON STADIUM FROM 4 TO 5 P.M. ON MAY 27, TO HELP PROMOTE TICKET SALES.

THE LOTTERIES ARE MANAGED BY A COMMITTEE CHAIRED BY MR. CHAU. THE MEMBERS ARE MR. DAVID WU CHUNG-SHING, MISS LYDIA DUNN, AND MR. MICHAEL LEUNG MAN-KIN OF THE FINANCE BRANCH OF THE COLONIAL SECRETARIAT, MR. R.W. SAMPSON OF THE TREASURY AND MR. GORDON CHAN YING JEUN OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT.

EARNINGS FROM THE LOTTERIES WILL BE USED TO PROMOTE SOCIAL WELFARE PROJECTS BENEFITTING THE WHOLE COMMUNITY.

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TRAVEL FIGURES UP  
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THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE ENTERING OR LEAVING HONG KONG ROSE BY 19.3 PER CENT DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 1974, ACCORDING TO PROVISIONAL FIGURES RELEASED TODAY BY THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES BY AIR, LAND AND SEA TOTALLED 9,863,736 -- AN INCREASE OF 1,597,220 COMPARED WITH THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

ARRIVALS NUMBERED 4,945,344 OF WHOM 1,720,611 ARRIVED BY AIR, 968,177 BY LAND, AND 2,256,556 BY SEA. THIS COMPARES WITH 4,141,971 TOTAL ARRIVALS IN 1972/73 -- 1,415,146 BY AIR, 725,438 BY LAND AND 2,001,387 BY SEA.

TOTAL DEPARTURES STOOD AT 4,918,392 OF WHOM 1,762,444 LEFT BY AIR, 931,582 BY LAND AND 2,224,366 BY SEA. THE 1972/73 FIGURES WERE 4,124,545 DEPARTURES - 1,441,273 BY AIR, 692,049 BY LAND AND 1,991,223 BY SEA.

THE FIGURES DO NOT INCLUDE TRANSIENTS OR PEOPLE REFUSED PERMISSION TO LAND.

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DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF GATT ARRIVES FOR PRIVATE VISIT

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MR. OLIVIER LONG, DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE (GATT) ARRIVED IN HONG KONG WITH HIS WIFE TODAY (MONDAY) FOR A SHORT PRIVATE VISIT AS GUESTS OF THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE.

DURING HIS STAY MR. LONG WILL BE HAVING INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS ON TRADE MATTERS WITH SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, INCLUDING THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY, THE DIRECTOR OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY, AND THE SECRETARY FOR ECONOMIC SERVICES.

MR. LONG, WHO WAS BORN IN SWITZERLAND, WAS APPOINTED DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF THE GATT IN MAY 1968, AFTER SERVING AS SWISS AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED KINGDOM.

THE GATT LAYS DOWN AGREED RULES FOR INTERNATIONAL TRADE WHICH ARE SUBSCRIBED TO BY OVER 80 GOVERNMENTS, INCLUDING HONG KONG. IT ALSO FUNCTIONS AS THE PRINCIPAL INTERNATIONAL BODY CONCERNED WITH NEGOTIATING THE REDUCTION OF TRADE BARRIERS AND WITH INTERNATIONAL TRADE RELATIONS.

HONG KONG PARTICIPATED LAST YEAR IN MULTI-LATERAL NEGOTIATIONS CONVENED BY THE GATT WHICH CULMINATED IN THE ADOPTION OF A NEW ARRANGEMENT FOR INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES.

THIS ESTABLISHED A NEW SET OF RULES FOR NEGOTIATING AGREEMENTS COVERING WORLD TRADE IN TEXTILES, AND IS ESPECIALLY SIGNIFICANT FOR HONG KONG WHICH IS HEAVILY DEPENDENT ON TEXTILE EXPORTS.

ANOTHER MAJOR GATT ACTIVITY IN WHICH HONG KONG IS PARTICIPATING IS THE NEW ROUND OF MULTI-LATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS WHICH WERE LAUNCHED IN SEPTEMBER LAST YEAR.

THE AIM OF THESE NEGOTIATIONS IS TO ACHIEVE FURTHER LIBERALISATION OF WORLD TRADE IN REGARD TO BOTH TARIFF AND NON-TARIFF BARRIERS.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

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A SUMMARY OF THE GATT'S CURRENT ACTIVITIES IS AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION FROM THE G.I.S. PRESS ROOM, 6TH FLOOR, BEACONSFIELD HOUSE.

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HOUSING SECRETARY INSPECTS KOWLOON CITY BUILDINGS

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THE SECRETARY FOR HOUSING, MR. IAN LIGHTBODY, TOURED KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT THIS (MONDAY) MORNING TO SEE FOR HIMSELF THE MANAGEMENT PROCESSES OF VARIOUS TYPES OF BUILDINGS IN THE AREA. HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY MR. A.F. NEOH, CITY DISTRICT OFFICER (KOWLOON CITY).

MR. LIGHTBODY WAS FIRST BRIEFED BY MR. NEOH, ON THE VARIOUS TYPES OF BUILDINGS AND MANAGEMENT METHODS IN THE DISTRICT AS WELL AS THEIR MANAGEMENT PROBLEMS.

THEY THEN PROCEEDED TO ORIENTAL GARDENS AT PRINCE EDWARD ROAD WHICH IS A RESIDENTIAL BUILDING WITH A TOTAL OF 192 UNITS. THE BUILDING IS MANAGED BY A PRIVATE ESTATE MANAGEMENT COMPANY UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF AN OWNERS' CORPORATION. THE SERVICE IS EFFECTIVE WITH GOOD SANITARY AND SECURITY CONDITION AS WELL AS ADEQUATE OPEN-SPACE AND CAR-PARKING FACILITIES.

AFTERWARDS, MR. LIGHTBODY WENT TO LUEN MING HING INDUSTRIAL BUILDING AT 36, MOK CHONG STREET, TO KWA WAN. IT IS MANAGED BY AN OWNERS' CORPORATION. HOWEVER, THE SERVICE IS NOT SATISFACTORY. MR. LIGHTBODY DISCUSSED WITH THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE OWNERS' CORPORATION PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH COLLECTION OF MANAGEMENT FEES, DISPUTE OVER USE OF COMMON LORRY PARKING AND LOADING AREA.

MR. LIGHTBODY CONTINUED HIS TOUR TO MEI KING MANSION, STAGE 1 AT THE JUNCTION OF MEI KING STREET AND LOK SHAN ROAD IN TO KWA WAN. THE BUILDING IS A CONGESTED COMMERCIAL/RESIDENTIAL BUILDING, WITH OVER 700 UNITS. IT IS MANAGED BY AN OWNERS' CORPORATION BUT THE SERVICE IS NOT QUITE EFFECTIVE.

MR. LIGHTBODY SAW THE VARIOUS MANAGEMENT PROBLEMS SUCH AS ILLEGAL EXTENSION AND OBSTRUCTION, INADEQUATE LIFT FACILITIES AND DRAINAGE SYSTEMS CONFRONTING THE RESIDENTS OF THE BUILDING. HE WAS ALSO BRIEFED BY MR. NEOH ABOUT THE VARIOUS MEASURES TAKEN TO IMPROVE THE SITUATION INITIATED BY C.D.O. (KOWLOON CITY) AND THE OWNERS' CORPORATION.

BEFORE WINDING UP HIS VISIT, MR. LIGHTBODY CALLED AT WHAMPOA CHINESE BUILDING AT MING ON STREET, HUNG HOM, A COMMERCIAL/RESIDENTIAL BUILDING WITH 120 UNITS MANAGED BY A LANDLORDS' AND TENANTS' ASSOCIATION.

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REVISED ARRANGEMENTS FOR CONTROL  
OF TEXTILE EXPORTS TO EEC  
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REVISED MEASURES FOR CONTINUING VOLUNTARY CONTROL OVER HONG KONG'S TEXTILE EXPORTS TO THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY PENDING THE POSSIBLE NEGOTIATION OF A BILATERAL AGREEMENT UNDER THE NEW ARRANGEMENT FOR INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES, WERE ANNOUNCED TODAY BY THE DIRECTOR OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY, MR. JIMMY MCGREGOR.

THEY ARE BEING BROUGHT INTO EFFECT ON THE ADVICE OF THE TEXTILES ADVISORY BOARD TO REPLACE PROVISIONAL ARRANGEMENTS DUE TO EXPIRE ON JUNE 30 THIS YEAR.

MR. MCGREGOR SAID IT WAS NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN EXISTING RESTRAINTS ON TEXTILE EXPORTS TO THE EEC SO THAT TRADE COULD CONTINUE ON A KNOWN AND STABLE BASIS UNTIL THE POSSIBLE NEGOTIATION OF A BILATERAL AGREEMENT.

+BUT WE HAVE NOW MODIFIED OUR PROVISIONAL RESTRAINT ARRANGEMENTS TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF THE PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN THE NEW ARRANGEMENT FOR INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES,+ HE ADDED.

THE REVISED MEASURES WILL OPERATE FOR A PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS BACK-DATED TO JANUARY 1 THIS YEAR. THEY AFFECT TEXTILE EXPORTS TO THE UNITED KINGDOM, THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, THE BENELUX COUNTRIES, ITALY, FRANCE AND DENMARK.

FULL DETAILS OF THE REVISED ARRANGEMENTS ARE CONTAINED IN NOTICES TO EXPORTERS ISSUED TODAY BY THE COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT.

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CONSUMER ADVISORY SERVICE

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THE FOLLOWING PRICES WERE REALISED TODAY (MONDAY) AT SALE UNDER THE RICE CONTROL SCHEME AND AT THE VEGETABLE MARKETING ORGANISATION WHOLESALE MARKET AND THE FISH MARKETING ORGANISATION WHOLESALE MARKET AT CHEUNG SHA WAN, KOWLOON:

SUPPLIES AND WHOLESALE PRICES OF RICE

GRADE OF RICE CHINA RICE	AVAILABILITY OF SUPPLY	WHOLESALE PRICE(\$/CATTY) AVERAGE
SEE NEW		
- OLD CROP	--	-
- NEW CROP	GOOD	2.21
S.C.JIEN		
- OLD CROP	--	-
- NEW CROP	GOOD	2.16
PO NGAI	GOOD	1.72
CHU CHO	--	-
THAI RICE		
100% WHOLE	--	-
10-15% BROKENS	--	-
A1 SUPER EXTRA	GOOD	1.92
A1 SUPER	GOOD	1.72
WHOLE GLUTINOUS	GOOD	2.03
U.S. RICE	--	-
AUSTRALIAN RICE	GOOD	1.92
PAKISTAN RICE	--	-
TAIWAN RICE	--	-

SUPPLIES AND WHOLESALE PRICES OF SWINE

(ALL SOURCES)

AVAILABILITY OF SUPPLY	-	GOOD
WHOLESALE PRICES OF PORK (5/PICUL-LIVE WEIGHT)	-	305 (AVERAGE)

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SUPPLIES AND WHOLESALE PRICES OF MARINE FISH

(FMO CHEUNG SHA WAN WHOLESALE FISH MARKET)

SPECIES	AVAILABILITY OF SUPPLY	WHOLESALE PRICE(\$/CATTY)		
		HIGH	LOW	MODE
GOLDEN THREAD	GOOD	3.40	2.20	2.80
BIG-EYES	GOOD	2.80	0.60	1.80
SQUID	LIMITED	5.80	2.00	4.50
HAIR-TAILS	NORMAL	1.00	0.60	0.70
LIZARD FISHES	NORMAL	2.70	1.40	2.00
CROAKERS	NORMAL	1.40	0.80	1.20
CONGER-PIKE-EELS	LIMITED	1.70	1.20	1.50
MELON COAT	--	-	-	-
BREAMS	LIMITED	5.20	3.00	4.50
YELLOW BELLY	GOOD	1.80	0.60	1.50
MACKERELS	NORMAL	4.00	3.00	3.40
RED GOAT FISH	NORMAL	0.80	0.50	0.60
FORK-TAIL	LIMITED	1.20	0.70	0.90
HORSE-HEAD	NORMAL	5.00	3.00	4.20
MELON SEED	NORMAL	2.80	2.20	2.40
POMFRETS	SCARCE	8.00	7.50	7.80
CARROUPAS	NORMAL	7.00	5.00	6.00
YELLOW CROAKER	--	-	-	-

SUPPLIES AND WHOLESALE PRICES OF LOCALLY PRODUCED VEGETABLES

(V.M.O. CHEUNG SHA WAN WHOLESALE VEGETABLE MARKET)

TYPE OF VEGETABLE	AVAILABILITY OF SUPPLY	WHOLESALE PRICE (\$/CATTY)		
		HIGH	LOW	MODE
FLOWERING CABBAGE	LIMITED	1.40	0.60	1.00
WHITE CABBAGE	NORMAL	0.70	0.20	0.50
CHINESE LETTUCE	NORMAL	0.50	0.20	0.40
WATER SPINACH	GOOD	0.60	0.15	0.40
CHINESE KALE	SCARCE	1.60	0.60	1.20
STRING BEANS	SCARCE	4.00	1.50	2.50
SPRING ONION	NORMAL	1.60	0.40	1.00
SPINACH	--	--	--	--
WATER CRESS	LIMITED	1.00	0.30	0.70
LEAF MUSTARD CABBAGE	LIMITED	1.00	0.20	0.60
CHINESE SPINACH	NORMAL	0.60	0.20	0.40
TOMATO	NORMAL	1.20	0.40	0.80

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