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MASSIVE SPENDING ON ROAD PROJECTS

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THE GOVERNMENT EXPECTS TO SPEND \$8.8 BILLION OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF HONG KONG'S PRESENT ROAD PLANS, THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, MR ALAN SCOTT, SAID THIS (TUESDAY) EVENING.

A FURTHER \$3.8 BILLION COULD ALSO BE SPENT ON PROJECTS CONSIDERED HIGHLY DESIRABLE IN TRANSPORT TERMS, MR SCOTT SAID WHEN ADDRESSING THE HONG KONG UNIVERSITY CONVOCATION.

+WORK GOES AHEAD ON SEVERAL LARGE NEW ROAD ITEMS INCLUDING THE ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR, THE VICTORIA BARRACKS DEVELOPMENT, THE TAI HANG ROAD FLYOVER AND THE WIDENING OF POK FU LAM ROAD, ON HONG KONG ISLAND.

+IN KOWLOON, THERE IS THE WEST KOWLOON CORRIDOR, THE ELEVATED ROAD FROM CHEUNG SHA WAN TO BOUNDARY STREET, AND OTHER ELEVATED ROADS IN THE KOWLOON BAY AREA, WHILE THE TAI PO/SHA TIN COASTAL ROAD AND THE WIDENING OF THE NEW TERRITORIES CIRCULAR ROAD ARE MAJOR NEW TERRITORIES PROJECTS.

+AND OF COURSE, WORK IS PROCEEDING ON THE MTR ISLAND LINE AND THE COMPLETION OF KCR'S MODERNISATION AND ELECTRIFICATION, + HE SAID.

MR SCOTT POINTED OUT THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAD A +DYNAMIC AND COMPREHENSIVE+ TRANSPORT POLICY.

+TRANSPORT SERVICES IN HONG KONG ARE AN EXTRAORDINARY MIXTURE; TRANSPORT DEMANDS ARE WIDELY RAMIFIED AND COMPLICATED, AND THEREFORE POLICY OBJECTIVES MUST COVER A MULTITUDE OF FACETS, + HE ADDED.

TO GIVE SOME EXAMPLES, MR SCOTT SAID THAT DURING 1982 THE GOVERNMENT WAS CONCERNED WITH SUCH EXTREMELY DIFFERENT MATTERS AS BUILDING NEW MAJOR ROADS, SUCH AS THE ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR AND THE COMPLETION OF THE TUEN MUN HIGHWAY; AND AT THE SAME TIME INVESTIGATING MINUTELY INDIVIDUAL ACCIDENT BLACK SPOTS THROUGHOUT HONG KONG.

+WE HAVE BROUGHT IN RATHER SEVERE MEASURES OF BROAD FISCAL RESTRAINTS ON THE RATE OF GROWTH OF PRIVATE VEHICLES, TO CONTROL CONGESTION; WHILE AT THE SAME TIME THE REGULATIONS PRESCRIBING THE CONSTRUCTION AND USE OF VEHICLES HAVE BEEN MINUTELY ANALYSED AND REWRITTEN.

+WE ARE INVOLVED IN PLANNING THE TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE OF THE FUTURE, WHILE AT THE SAME TIME MONITORING THE DETAILS OF TRANSPORT SERVICES OPERATING DAY BY DAY, + HE SAID.

/MR SCOTT

MR SCOTT SAID THAT DURING THE LAST FEW YEARS THE INCREASING PROSPERITY OF HONG KONG HAD GIVEN RISE TO A DRAMATIC INCREASE IN THE DEMAND FOR MOBILITY, IN TERMS OF PRIVATE, PUBLIC AND FREIGHT TRANSPORT.

+ALL THIS MEANS VERY DIFFICULT DECISIONS AS BETWEEN COMPETING DEMANDS, AND OF COURSE WITHIN GOVERNMENT'S SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC PROGRAMMES AS A WHOLE. IN A FEW WORDS, WE CANNOT DO IT ALL, AND WE MUST ESTABLISH PRIORITIES,+ HE STATED.

ON THE CO-ORDINATION OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT AND TRANSPORT MODES GENERALLY, MR SCOTT SAID HIS BRANCH WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE JOB, WHICH WAS NORMALLY ACHIEVED BY DISCUSSION AND CONSENSUS.

BUT THERE WERE STATUTORY POWERS WHICH ENABLED THE GOVERNMENT THROUGH THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT OR THE TRANSPORT BRANCH TO INTERVENE, TO GUIDE, AND IF NECESSARY TO DIRECT; AND THERE WERE GOVERNMENT DIRECTORS ON THE BOARDS OF THE BUS COMPANIES, THE FERRY COMPANIES, THE MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY CORPORATION AND THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY CORPORATION, HE SAID.

MR SCOTT SAID THE PAST YEAR WAS HIGHLIGHTED BY:

- * A VERY POSITIVE STEP TAKEN IN MAY TOWARDS CONTAINING CONGESTION ON THE ROADS, WHICH IS PRINCIPALLY CAUSED BY PRIVATE CARS;
- * THE IMPROVEMENT AND EXTENSION OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT SYSTEMS IN PARTICULAR THE FIRST STAGE OF ELECTRIFICATION OF THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY AND THE OPENING OF THE TSUEN WAN EXTENSION OF THE MTR;
- * THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE MOBILITY OF TRANSPORT BY VARIOUS PUBLIC TRANSPORT PRIORITY SCHEMES;
- * THE COMPLETION OF SEVERAL MAJOR TRANSPORT PROJECTS;
- * THE COMPREHENSIVE REVISED ROAD TRAFFIC LEGISLATION WHICH WAS PASSED THROUGH THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO REQUIRE IMPROVED STANDARDS ALL ROUND, WITH REALISTIC LEVELS OF PENALTIES TO ENABLE BETTER ENFORCEMENT, AND
- * MORE PLANNING FOR THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF TRANSPORT IN HONG KONG, WITH 11 ON-GOING MAJOR TRANSPORT STUDIES.

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HK TAKING STEPS TO ENSURE PREEMINENCE AS CONTAINER PORT
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HONG KONG WILL CONTINUE TO BE FIRMLY ENTRENCHED AS THE LARGEST CONTAINER PORT EAST OF SUEZ DESPITE INTENSIVE EFFORTS BY OTHER ASIAN PORTS TO CAPTURE A LARGER SHARE OF THIS IMPORTANT TRADE.

WITH MAJOR EXPANSION PLANS READY TO MEET RISING NEEDS, HONG KONG'S CONTAINER PORT IS POISED TO CAPITALISE ON ANY ECONOMIC RECOVERY, JUST AS IT DID ON THE PREVIOUS UPTURN FOLLOWING THE 1974-75 RECESSION.

KOBE, ACCORDING TO THE 1982 ISSUE OF THE PRESTIGIOUS CONTAINERISATION INTERNATIONAL YEARBOOK, LOST ITS POSITION AS THE THIRD LARGEST CONTAINER PORT IN THE WORLD TO HONG KONG IN 1980. SINCE THEN THE JAPANESE PORT HAS AT TIMES COME CLOSE TO REGAINING THIS TITLE.

IN THAT YEAR, HONG KONG'S THROUGHPUT OF 1.46 MILLION TEUS (TWENTY FOOT EQUIVALENT UNITS) WAS ONLY marginally AHEAD OF KOBE'S 1.45 MILLION TEUS.

ON THE BASIS OF INFORMATION COLLATED SO FAR, HONG KONG'S TOTAL THROUGHPUT FOR 1982 IS EXPECTED TO COME CLOSE TO 1.7 MILLION TEUS DESPITE SLUGGISH INTERNATIONAL TRADE, MR T.J. FRAWLEY, SENIOR MARINE OFFICER OF THE MARINE DEPARTMENT, SAID.

ABOUT 89 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL IS BEING HANDLED AT THE THREE TERMINALS IN KWAI CHUNG AND THE BALANCE HANDLED ELSEWHERE IN HONG KONG.

THIS MEANS THAT HONG KONG WILL STAY +COMFORTABLY AHEAD+ OF KOBE AND MAINTAIN A STRONG LEAD OVER KAOHSIUNG AND SINGAPORE WHICH IN 1980 OVERTOOK SAN JUAN OF PEURTO RICO TO BECOME THE WORLD'S FIFTH AND SIXTH LARGEST CONTAINER PORTS RESPECTIVELY, MR FRAWLEY SAID.

ASIA'S RAPID EXPANSION IN CONTAINER FACILITIES IS POINTED OUT BY THE 1982 CONTAINERISATION INTERNATIONAL YEAR BOOK WHICH NOTES THAT OF THE TOP 10 PORTS WHICH RECORDED THE HIGHEST GAINS IN TRAFFIC, FIVE WERE IN ASIA.

IN HONG KONG, TO COPE WITH FUTURE EXPANSION, THE GOVERNMENT HAS DRAWN UP LAND RECLAMATION PLANS THAT WILL EXTEND THE EXISTING BERTHING SEA FRONT IN KWAI CHUNG FROM 2 200 METRES TO 3 200 METRES BY 1986, RAISING ITS CAPACITY BY 45 PER CENT TO 2.2 MILLION TEUS.

+THE PLANS HAVE BEEN SO DESIGNED THAT COMPLETION DATE MAY BE ADVANCED IF NECESSARY. IF AT ANY STAGE OF THE EXPANSION, AN EVER INCREASING DEMAND IS SEEN TO EXIST, THE DEVELOPMENT WORK CAN BE MODIFIED TO PROVIDE YET ANOTHER 700 METRES OF BERTHING SEA FRONT OVER THE 3 200 METRES, OR A FURTHER 22 PER CENT INCREASE IN CAPACITY,+ MR FRAWLEY EXPLAINED.

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TO ENSURE EFFICIENT OPERATION AND TO MONITOR EXPANSION NEEDS, THE GOVERNOR RECENTLY ORDERED THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CONTAINER PORT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPRESENTING SHIPPING INTERESTS, PORT USERS, GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS CONCERNED AND ANCILLARY INDUSTRIES.

AS DEVELOPMENT OF CONTAINER FACILITIES REQUIRES A FOUR-YEAR GESTATION PERIOD, ADVANCE PLANNING IS IMPORTANT, MR FRAWLEY SAID.

HE RECALLED THAT WHEN THE KWAI CHUNG CONTAINER PORT PROJECT WAS FIRST PLANNED IN THE LATE 1960'S, CRITICS DISMISSED IT AS A +WHITE ELEPHANT+.

INDEED, THE KWAI CHUNG PORT GOT OFF THE GROUND IN 1972 ONLY TO ENJOY A SHORT-LIVED BOOM BEFORE GLOBAL RECESSION STRUCK IN 1974 AND 1975.

BUT THE ECONOMIC RECOVERY THAT FOLLOWED SPARKED OFF THE PHENOMENAL GROWTH OF HONG KONG AS A WORLD-CLASS CONTAINER PORT, MR FRAWLEY SAID.

MORE THAN 40 PER CENT OF HONG KONG'S EXPORTS AND IMPORTS ARE SHIPPED BY CONTAINER.

HONG KONG IS ALSO A MAJOR TRANSHIPMENT CENTRE LINKING INDUSTRIALISED COUNTRIES IN THE WEST TO VARIOUS ASIAN COUNTRIES OR TERRITORIES, INCLUDING CHINA, THE PHILIPPINES, TAIWAN, SINGAPORE AND THAILAND, MR FRAWLEY SAID.

CLOSE TO 30 PER CENT OF HONG KONG'S TOTAL VOLUME OF CONTAINERISED CARGOES REPRESENTS TRANSHIPMENT GOODS FOR THESE COUNTRIES, HE SAID.

TODAY, THE AVERAGE TURNAROUND TIME AT KWAI CHUNG IS 15 HOURS, COMPARED WITH 2.6 DAYS FOR SHIPS USING CONVENTIONAL HANDLING.

INDIRECTLY, THE CONTAINER PORT HELPS IMPROVE HONG KONG'S EXPORT COMPETITIVENESS AND THE EXPORTER'S ABILITY TO DELIVER HIS GOODS ON TIME.

TO STAY AHEAD IN THIS FIELD, HONG KONG HAS THREE OTHER MAIN FACTORS GOING FOR IT, MR FRAWLEY EXPLAINED.

FIRST, REFLECTING THE FORESIGHT OF BOTH THE GOVERNMENT AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR, HONG KONG WAS THE FIRST OUTSIDE EUROPE AND THE US TO HAVE CONTAINER FACILITIES IN THE 1960'S AND PURPOSE-BUILT CONTAINER TERMINALS IN THE EARLY 1970'S.

THIS HEAD START PLUS ITS PROVEN EFFICIENT, COST-EFFECTIVE SERVICES HAVE PUT HONG KONG ON THE MAP OF INTERNATIONAL SHIPPING LINES AROUND THE WORLD, MR FRAWLEY SAID.

ALSO, OVER THE YEARS, THESE SHIPPING LINES USING KWAI CHUNG HAVE DEVELOPED LARGE NETWORKS OF SPECIALISED FEEDER SHIPS RUNNING BETWEEN HONG KONG AND OTHER PARTS OF ASIA WHERE CONTAINER FACILITIES ARE EITHER NON-EXISTENT, UNDER-DEVELOPED OR INSUFFICIENT.

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+CONTAINERISED CARGOES FROM THE US AND EUROPE ARE BROKEN DOWN HERE AND TRANSHIPPED TO DIFFERENT POINTS IN THE REGION BY THE FEEDER SHIPS.

+CONVERSELY, GOODS FROM ASIA ARE BROUGHT BY THESE SHIPS TO HONG KONG WHERE THEY ARE CONSOLIDATED IN CONTAINERS FOR BULK AND SPEEDY TRANSHIPMENT TO THE WEST,+ MR FRAWLEY SAID.

+IT IS DIFFICULT FOR OTHER PORTS TO BREAK INTO THIS ESTABLISHED TRADE PATTERN,+ HE ADDED.

UNLIKE MANY OTHER PORTS IN THE REGION, HONG KONG IS A NATURALLY DEEP PORT THAT CAN ACCOMMODATE THE LARGEST CONTAINER SHIPS IN THE WORLD. THIRD GENERATION CONTAINER SHIPS OF 59 000 GROSS TONS HAVE BEEN CALLING AT KWAI CHUNG REGULARLY.

THE THIRD FACTOR CITED BY MR FRAWLEY IS THE SHEER SIZE OF HONG KONG'S EXPORTS AND IMPORTS WHICH CREATE A NATURAL DOMESTIC DEMAND FOR CONTAINER SERVICES.

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NEW RANK FOR SENIOR OFFICERS
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IN ITS EIGHTH REPORT DATED APRIL 1982, THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON DIRECTORATE SALARIES AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE RECOMMENDED THAT LONG-SERVING AND MERITORIOUS DEPARTMENTAL OFFICERS AT THE LEVEL OF HEAD OF DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY SHOULD BE ELIGIBLE, EXCEPTIONALLY, FOR SUBSTANTIVE APPOINTMENT TO A HIGHER RANK ON A PERSONAL BASIS.

THIS RECOMMENDATION WAS ACCEPTED BY THE GOVERNMENT AND APPROVAL HAS NOW BEEN GIVEN FOR THREE SENIOR OFFICERS TO BE APPOINTED TO THE NEXT HIGHER RANK ON A PERSONAL BASIS IN RECOGNITION OF THEIR LONG AND MERITORIOUS SERVICE. THEY ARE:

- (A) MR T.G. GARNER, WHO HAS BEEN COMMISSIONER OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES (FORMER COMMISSIONER OF PRISONS) SINCE JANUARY 1972;
- (B) MR R.A. FRY, COMMISSIONER OF RATING AND VALUATION SINCE SEPTEMBER 1971;
- (C) DR A.J. NUTTEN, GOVERNMENT CHEMIST SINCE MARCH 1969.

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ROAD PROJECT IN NT
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THE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SECTION OF A NEW TERRITORIES CIRCULAR ROAD IMPROVEMENT SCHEME BETWEEN LAM KAM ROAD AND WO HOP SHEK.

A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE NEW SECTION WILL FORM PART OF A FUTURE MAJOR ROAD SYSTEM ON THE EAST OF THE NEW TERRITORIES. THE SYSTEM WILL RUN FROM FANLING VIA TAI PO AND SHA TIN TO LINK UP WITH URBAN AREAS IN KOWLOON.

THE PROJECT INVOLVES THE WIDENING OF ABOUT 2.4 KILOMETRES OF TAI PO ROAD INTO A DUAL THREE-LANE CARRIAGEWAY, WITH SEPARATE SERVICE ROAD AND FOOTPATH SYSTEMS TO MAINTAIN ACCESS TO NEARBY DEVELOPMENTS.

FIVE FOOTBRIDGES WILL ALSO BE INCLUDED AT DIFFERENT LOCATIONS TO PROVIDE SEGREGATED PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS OVER THE CARRIAGEWAY.

WORK ON THE PROJECT IS EXPECTED TO START IN APRIL AND BE COMPLETED BY THE BEGINNING OF 1985.

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DONATION TO HELP REHABILITATE DRUG ABUSERS
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THE KOWLOON LOK SIN TONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY TODAY (TUESDAY) DONATED A CHEQUE FOR \$30 000 TO THE EMPLOYMENT GUIDANCE COMMITTEE FOR VOLUNTARILY REHABILITATED DRUG ABUSERS.

THE CHEQUE WAS PRESENTED BY MR KU SZE-CHUNG, CHAIRMAN OF THE SOCIETY, TO MR GORDON MORTIMER, COMMISSIONER FOR NARCOTICS, WHO IS HONORARY PRESIDENT OF THE COMMITTEE.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMITTEE, MR MORTIMER THANKED THE SOCIETY FOR THE DONATION WHICH SIGNIFICANTLY CONTRIBUTED TO THE EFFORTS BEING MADE TO HELP REINTEGRATE DRUG ABUSERS INTO SOCIETY.

THE EMPLOYMENT GUIDANCE COMMITTEE FOR VOLUNTARILY REHABILITATED DRUG ABUSERS WAS FORMED IN 1975 AND HAS FOUND JOBS FOR ABOUT 1 000 PEOPLE. IT HAS ALSO PROVIDED INTEREST-FREE LOANS TO PEOPLE RELEASED FROM DRUG TREATMENT INSTITUTIONS TO HELP SOLVE THEIR IMMEDIATE FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES.

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VILLAGE CLEANSING CONTRACTS AWARDED

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FOUR NEW TERRITORIES RURAL ORGANISATIONS WERE TODAY AWARDED EXTENDED CONTRACTS TO CONTINUE THE WORK OF CLEANSING THEIR VILLAGES FOR TWO MORE MONTHS.

THE NEW AGREEMENTS, WORTH \$106 000, WILL ENABLE THE BODIES TO CONTINUE THEIR VILLAGE CLEANSING SERVICES, UNTIL ONE-YEAR CONTRACTS ARE DRAWN UP.

THE CONTRACTS WERE SIGNED TODAY BY THE DIRECTOR OF NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES, MR JOHN HEYWOOD, AND THE CONTRACTORS.

THE RURAL ORGANISATIONS ARE: WANG TOI SHAN IN YUEN LONG, LUNG KWU TAAN IN TUEN MUN, AND TAI PO TSAI AND HANG HAU IN SAI KUNG.

MR HEYWOOD SAID THE FOUR VILLAGES WERE ON THE WHOLE MUCH CLEANER THAN BEFORE, AS A RESULT OF THE EARLIER PILOT CLEANSING SCHEME, WHICH LASTED EIGHT MONTHS.

+PERHAPS THE VILLAGERS ARE NOW SHOWING A GENUINE INTEREST IN KEEPING THEIR ENVIRONMENT CLEAN, WHEREAS PREVIOUSLY THEY TOOK THE GOVERNMENT CLEANSING SERVICE FOR GRANTED,+ MR HEYWOOD SAID.

PEOPLE WOULD THINK TWICE BEFORE DISCARDING THEIR RUBBISH IF THEY KNEW THEY HAD TO PICK IT UP AGAIN, MR HEYWOOD SAID.

THE GOVERNMENT HAD ALSO DECIDED TO EXTEND THESE CONTRACT CLEANSING SERVICE ARRANGEMENTS TO SEVERAL OTHER VILLAGES IN 1983/84, HE SAID.

TO BROADEN THE BASE OF THE EXPERIMENT AND GAIN EXPERIENCE IN A WIDER RANGE OF VILLAGES, THE PRESENT PILOT SCHEME WOULD COVER SEVEN VILLAGES INCLUDING THE EXISTING FOUR DURING THE NEXT FINANCIAL YEAR. IF THIS ARRANGEMENT CONTINUED TO PROVE SUCCESSFUL, THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT HOPED TO EXTEND IT TO MANY OTHER VILLAGES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES IN 1984, MR HEYWOOD EXPLAINED.

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AUCTION OF LUNAR NEW YEAR FAIR STALL SITES

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A TOTAL OF 108 STALL SITES AT THE FORTHCOMING LUNAR NEW YEAR FAIR IN KWAI CHUNG WAS TAKEN UP AT A PUBLIC AUCTION TODAY (TUESDAY), LEAVING FOUR STALL SITES STILL AVAILABLE.

AT THE AUCTION THE HIGHEST PRICE FETCHED FOR A SITE SELLING FLOWERS WAS \$700 AND A SITE FOR SELLING DRY GOODS WAS \$300.

THE UPSET PRICE FOR EACH STALL SITE WAS \$75, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT SAID.

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TRADERS WHO WISH TO HIRE ANY OF THE FOUR SITES AT THE UPSET PRICE ARE INVITED TO CONTACT THE KWAI CHUNG URBAN SERVICES OFFICE ON THE FOURTH FLOOR OF SHING WAH BUILDING, 31 SHING FONG STREET, KWAI CHUNG. THEY WILL BE HIRED OUT ON A FIRST-COME-FIRST-SERVED BASIS, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE FAIR WILL BE HELD AT THE KWAI CHUNG SPORTSGROUND FROM FEBRUARY 6 TO 13.

SIX OTHER FAIRS WILL ALSO BE HELD IN OTHER PARTS OF NEW TERRITORIES.

AUCTIONING OF ANOTHER 208 SITES AT THE TSUEN WAN FAIR TO BE HELD AT THE SHA TSUI ROAD PLAYGROUND WILL START AT 9.30 AM TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) AT THE AUDITORIUM OF THE TSUEN WAN TOWN HALL.

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CLEARWAYS IN TSUEN WAN
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ALL TAXIS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS WITHIN THE NORTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF SAI LAU KOK ROAD NEAR THE WALDORF THEATRE, IN TSUEN WAN FROM 10 AM ON FRIDAY (JANUARY 14), A TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED TODAY.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE SOUTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF CASTLE PEAK ROAD BETWEEN ITS EASTERN JUNCTION WITH SAI LAU KOK ROAD AND CHUNG ON STREET WILL BE DESIGNATED AS A 24-HOUR PUBLIC LIGHT BUS CLEARWAY.

THESE CLEARWAY ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE TO IMPROVE TRAFFIC FLOW IN THE AREA, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

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CAUSEWAY BAY WATER CUT
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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN CAUSEWAY BAY WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR SEVEN HOURS FROM 11 PM ON FRIDAY (JANUARY 14) TO FACILITATE LEAKAGE TESTS.

PREMISES AFFECTED WILL BE THOSE BOUNDED BY TUNG LO WAN ROAD, TAI HANG ROAD AND LAI TAK TSUEN ROAD.

NORMAL SUPPLY WILL RESUME AT 6 AM ON SATURDAY (JANUARY 15).

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