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VEHICULAR SUBWAY IN KOWLOON

Motorists will be able to travel along Lung Cheung Road without interruption as from Thursday (January 15) when the Public Works Department opens its newly completed vehicular subway at the Nam Cheong Interchange.

The subway will enable eastbound traffic along Lung Cheung Road wishing to turn into Nam Cheong Street to make a free flowing right turn without holding up traffic from the other direction.

At present, westbound traffic along Lung Cheung Road heading towards Shek Kip Mei and Sham Shui Po has to stop at the junction of Nam Cheong Street and Lung Cheung Road to give way to traffic turning right into Nam Cheong Street.

"With the opening of the subway, eastbound traffic along Lung Cheung Road will turn into Nam Cheong Street via the subway under Lung Cheung Road without interrupting westbound traffic flow," a PWD spokesman said.

The temporary traffic signals at the junction will be eliminated on Thursday when the subway opens.

The subway is part of the PWD's Nam Cheong Interchange which is expected to be fully operational later this month.

It consists of three levels -- the vehicular subway, ground level roads and a vehicular bridge spanning Lung Cheung Road.

The bridge, which also incorporates a pedestrian footpath to enable pedestrians to cross Lung Cheung Road in safety, will provide vehicular access to proposed developments in the Tai Wor Ping area.

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HEAVY DEMAND FOR DRAGON YEAR GOLD COINS

Over 30,000 applications for the gold coins to mark the Year of the Dragon were received from Hong Kong residents when applications closed last Wednesday (January 7).

A government spokesman said today that there were 25,000 applications for uncirculated and 9,700 for proof issues -- more than twice the number of coins to be issued locally.

As a result of oversubscription, a ballot was held on computer.

The coins -- the first in a series that may be issued to depict the twelve animals traditionally representing the Lunar New Years -- should be available for collection before the Year of the Dragon begins.

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WATER CUT

A number of premises in Sham Shui Po, Kowloon, will be without water from 1 a.m. to 6 a.m. on Thursday (January 15) to allow a leakage test to be carried out.

The area affected is bounded by Lai Chi Kok Road, Kiu Kiang Street, Cheung Sha Wan Road and Kweilin Street.

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TOPLEY LAYS SECONDARY SCHOOL FOUNDATION STONE

The Director of Education, Mr. Kenneth Topley this afternoon laid the foundation stone of the Hong Kong Chinese Women's Club Secondary School at the site in Sai Wan Ho, Shau Kei Wan.

In support of Government's policy on the expansion of secondary education, the Club launched the project - a standard 24 classroom school with 11 special rooms and a hall. The plan provides for the school to accommodate 1,200 pupils.

A lot of time and effort have been devoted selflessly by the Club officials to the planning and execution of the project.

Today's ceremony marks another milestone in the Club's educational role.

The Club, founded some 40 years ago, began its educational role by operating a number of free night schools on Hong Kong Island.

With Government assistance, its subsidized primary school came into being in 1965 with 12 classes and an enrolment of 540. Since then, its enrolment grew steadily as a result of good operating standards.

The same premises are being used to operate evening primary classes. The school lays much emphasis on social and moral education and organises a variety of extra-curricular activities.

Speaking in Cantonese, Mr. Topley said that modern education must adapt itself to modern needs.

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Social contacts were becoming more frequent and more varied, and children should learn to be good mixers and to understand other people's point of view.

"Moreover, they must be able to adapt themselves to sudden changes in the occupations they are likely to take up, and even to change their careers.

"The individual must not only become more adaptable as a worker, but must also be in a position to select for himself some worthy and useful way of occupying his free time," the Director said.

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NEW TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS

New traffic arrangements will be introduced at the junction of Hennessy Road and Canal Road, Wan Chai, on Thursday (January 15) to improve traffic flow.

Starting from 10 a.m., eastbound traffic on Hennessy Road will not be allowed to turn right into Canal Road East while westbound traffic on Hennessy Road will not be allowed to turn right into Canal Road West.

At the same time, northbound traffic on Canal Road West and southbound traffic on Canal Road east will not be allowed to turn right into Hennessy Road.

Appropriate traffic signs will be put up in the area to guide motorists.

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