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DRIVERS INVITED TO APPLY FOR TEST EXEMPTION
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ARTICULATED VEHICLE DRIVERS ARE BEING INVITED TO APPLY FOR EXEMPTION FROM THE APPROPRIATE DRIVING TEST REQUIRED UNDER THE NEW ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATIONS.

A TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT APPLICATION FORMS FOR EXEMPTION WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM THE DEPARTMENT'S LICENSING OFFICES FROM TOMORROW (AUGUST 28).

+GOODS VEHICLE DRIVERS HOLDING FULL LICENCES MAY DRIVE ARTICULATED GOODS VEHICLES FOR THREE YEARS AFTER THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW LAW,+ THE SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED.

+BUT AFTER THIS TRANSITION PERIOD, THESE DRIVERS WILL BE REQUIRED TO HAVE PASSED OR BEEN EXEMPTED FROM THE APPROPRIATE TEST FOR ARTICULATED VEHICLES,+ HE SAID.

DRIVERS APPLYING FOR TEST EXEMPTION SHOULD FULFIL ALL OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

- * THEY SHOULD BE CURRENT DRIVERS OF ARTICULATED VEHICLES OR HAVE DRIVEN SUCH VEHICLES WITHIN THE 12 MONTHS PRIOR TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW LEGISLATION.
- * THEY SHOULD HAVE A YEAR'S DRIVING EXPERIENCE ON ARTICULATED VEHICLES. IN THE CASE OF AN INTERRUPTED EXPERIENCE, NO BREAKS SHOULD EXCEED THREE MONTHS, AND THE EXPERIENCE MUST BE ACCUMULATED WITHIN A TWO-YEAR PERIOD.
- * THEY MUST HAVE AT LEAST A YEAR'S EXPERIENCE IN DRIVING GOODS VEHICLES.
- * THEY MUST NOT HAVE BEEN CONVICTED OF ANY SERIOUS TRAFFIC OFFENCES DURING THE LAST TWO YEARS.

COMPLETED APPLICATION FORMS DULY ENDORSED BY THE EMPLOYERS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT'S DRIVING TEST SECTION, 19 PUI CHING ROAD, KOWLOON FOR VERIFICATION. SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS WILL BE INFORMED IN WRITING WHEN AND WHERE TO HAVE THEIR LICENCES ENDORSED.

THE SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT ANY DRIVER ENGAGED IN DRIVING ARTICULATED VEHICLES ON OR BEFORE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW LEGISLATION BUT DOES NOT HAVE A FULL YEAR'S ARTICULATED VEHICLE EXPERIENCE, COULD APPLY FOR EXEMPTION WHEN HE HAS GAINED THE REQUIRED EXPERIENCE.

HE ALSO SAID THAT DRIVERS WHO WISH TO SIT FOR AN ARTICULATED VEHICLE TEST MAY APPLY FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 1984 BY WRITING TO THE DEPARTMENT'S SHATIN DRIVING TEST OFFICE, 5/F, KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY HOUSE, SHA TIN STATION.

ENQUIRIES CONCERNING APPLICATIONS FOR TEST EXEMPTION MAY BE MADE ON 0-6061676.

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TRAINING COURSES FOR SCHOOL LIBRARIANS

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SCHOOL LIBRARIANS OF GOVERNMENT AND AIDED SECONDARY SCHOOLS WITH 18 OR MORE CLASSES ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND AN INTRODUCTORY COURSE AND AN ADVANCED COURSE IN LIBRARIANSHIP OFFERED BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

+THIS REQUIREMENT REFLECTS THE IMPORTANCE WHICH THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT ATTACHES TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF SCHOOL LIBRARY SERVICES,+ A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID.

PRINCIPALS OF SECONDARY SCHOOLS WILL BE EXPECTED TO RELEASE THEIR SCHOOL LIBRARIANS AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME TO ATTEND THE COURSES AND NO FEES WILL BE CHARGED, HE ADDED.

APPLICATIONS FROM SCHOOL LIBRARIANS WORKING FULL TIME IN CAPUT AND ASSISTED PRIVATE SECONDARY SCHOOLS MAY BE CONSIDERED IF THEY MEET THE MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE OF CERTIFICATED MASTER-MISTRESS AND HAVE TWO YEARS' RECOGNISED TEACHING EXPERIENCE.

THE INTRODUCTORY COURSE IS ORGANISED FOR NEWLY-APPOINTED SCHOOL LIBRARIANS OR THOSE WHO HAVE NOT SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED A SIMILAR INTRODUCTORY COURSE HELD IN PREVIOUS YEARS. IT WILL BE HELD ON MONDAYS FROM OCTOBER THIS YEAR TO MAY 1985.

THE ADVANCED COURSE, TO BE HELD ON THURSDAYS FROM NOVEMBER THIS YEAR TO MAY 1985, IS DESIGNED FOR SCHOOL LIBRARIANS WHO HAVE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED A PREVIOUS INTRODUCTORY COURSE, OR THOSE WHO HAVE NOT SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED A PREVIOUS ADVANCED COURSE.

THE AIMS OF THE COURSES ARE TO INTRODUCE SCHOOL LIBRARIANS TO THE BASIC PRINCIPLES AND TECHNIQUES OF LIBRARY MANAGEMENT, AND CURRICULUM SUPPORT ACTIVITIES; AND TO ACQUAINT THEM WITH INFORMATION SKILLS FOR TEACHING AND LEARNING PURPOSES.

BOTH COUSES WILL CONSIST OF LECTURES, PRACTICAL WORK, TUTORIALS AND VISITS, THE MAIN MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION WILL BE CANTONESE.

CERTIFICATES OF ATTENDANCE WILL BE AWARDED TO PARTICIPANTS WHO HAVE SATISFACTORILY COMPLETED AN INTRODUCTORY COURSE, AND COURSE CERTIFICATES WILL BE ISSUED TO THOSE WHO HAVE SATISFACTORILY COMPLETED AN ADVANCED COURSE.

ALL CLASSES WILL BE HELD AT THE EXTRA-MURAL TOWN CENTRE, THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG, 8TH FLOOR, WING ON CENTRE, 111 CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL, HONG KONG. CLASSES WILL MEET FROM 9 AM TO 4 PM.

REGISTRATION FORMS SHOULD REACH THE LIBRARY SECTION, THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, LEE GARDENS, 5TH FLOOR, HYSAN AVENUE, CAUSEWAY BAY, HONG KONG, BY SEPTEMBER 10.

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SHIPBUILDING MANPOWER SURVEY BEGINS

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FIELD WORK FOR A 16-DAY MANPOWER SURVEY ON THE SHIPBUILDING AND SHIP REPAIRING INDUSTRY WILL START TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

THE BIENNIAL SURVEY, ORGANISED BY THE SHIPPING AND SHIP REPAIRS INDUSTRY TRAINING BOARD OF THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL, WILL UPDATE THE INDUSTRY'S EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS AND IDENTIFY ITS FUTURE MANPOWER AND TRAINING NEEDS.

+SUCH INFORMATION IS VITAL FOR THE BOARD IN DRAWING UP TRAINING PLANS TO MEET THE DEMANDS OF THE INDUSTRY,+ A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TRAINING BOARD SAID.

HE URGED EMPLOYERS TO PROVIDE ACCURATE FIGURES ON WORKERS EMPLOYED AND UNDER TRAINING, EXISTING VACANCIES AND A FORECAST OF ADDITIONAL EMPLOYEES NEEDED FOR THE NEXT TWO YEARS.

THE SURVEY WILL COVER ABOUT 700 ESTABLISHMENTS, INCLUDING SHIPYARDS, REPAIR PONTOONS, SHIP SURVEYORS, CONSULTANT FIRMS, SHIPPING FIRMS WHICH EMPLOY LOCAL SHORE-BASED TECHNICAL STAFF, MARINE ENGINES AND ELECTRICAL REPAIRS, SERVICING COMPANIES, EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND THE MARINE DEPARTMENT.

THE DATA COLLECTED IN THIS SURVEY WILL BE HANDLED IN STRICT CONFIDENCE, THE SPOKESMAN SAID, AND THEY WILL BE PUBLISHED ONLY IN THE FORM OF STATISTICAL SUMMARIES WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ANY INDIVIDUAL ESTABLISHMENTS.

THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT AND THE GOVERNMENT DATA PROCESSING AGENCY WILL BE HELPING WITH THE SURVEY.

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EQUIPMENT FOR PRISON WORKSHOP

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THE BUILDING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT WILL SHORTLY BE INVITING TENDERS FOR THE PROVISION OF WOODWORKING EQUIPMENT FOR THE CARPENTRY WORKSHOP AT THE NEW WORKSHOP COMPLEX OF PIK UK PRISON NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

THE NEW CARPENTRY WORKSHOP IS DESIGNED MAINLY FOR THE PRODUCTION OF GOVERNMENT FURNITURE.

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COMPANIES INTERESTED IN THIS TENDER SHOULD ADDRESS THEIR APPLICATIONS TO THE DIRECTOR OF BUILDING DEVELOPMENT AND PLACE THEM IN THE PUBLIC WORKS TENDER BOX SITUATED AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE OF MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG BEFORE 12 NOON ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7.

THE NEW WORKSHOP COMPLEX IS BEING BUILT ON A 1 080 SQUARE METRES SITE WITHIN PIK UK PRISON.

THE FOUR-STOREY WORKSHOP WILL PROVIDE A TOTAL AREA OF 2 880 SQUARE METRES FOR 500 MALE PRISONERS IN A FACTORY SETTING.

CONSTRUCTION OF THE WORKSHOP, COMPRISING WORK AREAS FOR CARPENTRY, DOOR MAKING AND TAILORING, IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN JUNE NEXT YEAR. THERE WILL ALSO BE OFFICES AND FACILITIES FOR STORAGE OF MATERIALS AND FINISHED GOODS.

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FIRM TO BUILD OWN PIER
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THE GOVERNMENT PLANS TO GRANT THE SHELL COMPANY OF HONG KONG LIMITED A PRIVATE TREATY LEASE OF AN 80-SQUARE-METRE AREA OF SEA BED OFF WAI YIP STREET AT KWUN TONG.

THE AREA WILL BE USED BY THE COMPANY TO BUILD A PIER FOR LOADING AND UNLOADING NON-DANGEROUS GOODS AND MATERIALS IN CONNECTION WITH ITS OIL OPERATIONS NEARBY.

THE LEASE IS FOR FIVE YEARS.

THE EXTENT OF THE AFFECTED AREA IS DESCRIBED IN THE LATEST GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

NOTICE OF THIS CAN BE SEEN AT THE LANDS DEPARTMENT, SURVEY DIVISION, 5TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG- AND THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT OFFICE, 3RD FLOOR, KWUN TONG DISTRICT BRANCH OFFICES BUILDING, TUNG YAN STREET, KWUN TONG, KOWLOON, AND ON BOARDS NEAR THE SITE.

OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSAL OR CLAIMS FOR COMPENSATION SHOULD BE MADE IN WRITING TO THE DIRECTOR OF LANDS WITHIN TWO MONTHS.

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NEW CREMATORIUM FOR SHA TIN
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A NEWLY-BUILT CREMATORIUM WITH FOUR COMPUTERISED CREMATORS WILL BE PUT INTO PUBLIC SERVICE WITHIN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS IN SHA TIN.

THE 26-MILLION FU SHAN CREMATORIUM AND COLUMBARIUM IS LOCATED AT A 2.5-HECTARE SITE AT LOWER SHING MUN ROAD AND IS THE SECOND PUBLIC CREMATORIUM IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

CREMATION IS GAINING WIDER ACCEPTANCE. SO FAR THIS YEAR, 62 PER CENT OF THE DEAD WERE CREMATED. IN THE SIMILAR PERIOD, TEN YEARS AGO, THE FIGURE WAS LESS THAN 30 PER CENT, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT SAID.

THE MAIN FEATURE OF THE FU SHAN CREMATORIUM, WHICH WAS DESIGNED AND CONSTRUCTED BY THE ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE OF THE BUILDING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, IS ITS FOUR COMPUTERISED CREMATORS.

MANUFACTURED BY A BRITISH COMPANY, THE CREMATORS ARE GAS-OPERATED AND A SMOKELESS, ODOURLESS AND DUST-FREE.

AT THE SINGLE-STOREY CREMATORIUM BUILDING, TWO CEREMONIAL HALLS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR MEMORIAL AND RELIGIOUS CEREMONIES.

ADJACENT IS A SEVEN-STOREY COLUMBARIUM WHICH HAS 9 700 NICHES FOR ASHES.

THERE IS ALSO A GARDEN OF REMEMBRANCE FOR THE PUBLIC TO DISPOSE OF ASHES ON THE GRASS PLOTS, OR TO PLANT TREES.

THE LAWNS WILL BE KEPT GREEN ALL YEAR ROUND, WITH COLOURFUL FLOWERS BLOOMING AT CHING MING AND CHUNG YEUNG FESTIVALS.

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MID-AUTUMN FESTIVE FUN PLANNED
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THE MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL WHICH FALLS ON SEPTEMBER 10 THIS YEAR WILL BE CELEBRATED IN TSUEN WAN WITH TWO CARNIVALS, FEATURING LANTERN RIDDLES, CANTONESE OPERAS, PUPPET SHOWS, SINGING PERFORMANCES, AND CHINESE ORCHESTRAL CONCERTS.

JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD AND CULTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT (NEW TERRITORIES DIVISION), THE CARNIVALS WILL BE HELD AT KWAI CHUNG SPORTS GROUND AND SHA TSUI ROAD PLAYGROUND.

DETAILS OF THE CELEBRATION PROGRAMMES WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT A PRESS CONFERENCE AT 3 PM TOMORROW (TUESDAY) AT THE CULTURAL ACTIVITIES HALL OF THE TSUEN WAN TOWN HALL.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR HO TUNG-CHING; THE DISTRICT OFFICER OF TSUEN WAN, MR ANGUS MIU; THE CHIEF MANAGER (N.T.) OF THE CULTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, MR HO KA-KWONG, AND MANAGER (CULTURAL PRESENTATION N.T.), MR CHUNG LING-HOI WILL BE PRESENT.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE PRESS CONFERENCE.

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DISTRICT BOARD'S WORK ON DISPLAY
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A TWO-WEEK EXHIBITION ON DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION WILL BEGIN TOMORROW (TUESDAY) IN WAN CHAI TO PROMOTE THE CURRENT VOTER REGISTRATION EXERCISE.

OPEN BETWEEN 9 AM AND 9 PM DAILY AT THE HENNESSY CENTRE, THE EXHIBITION WILL FEATURE PHOTOGRAPHS, CHARTS AND EXPLANATORY NOTES ON DISTRICT DEVELOPMENTS, WORK OF THE DISTRICT BOARD AND CHANNELS TO PARTICIPATE IN DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION.

THERE WILL ALSO BE A 20-MINUTE VIDEO PRESENTATION ON THE BOARD'S WORK. A COUNTER WILL BE SET UP DURING EXHIBITION HOURS TO REGISTER VOTERS.

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THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR LAM KAM-KWONG; THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MR RAYMOND YOUNG; THREE DB MEMBERS, MRS PEGGY LAM, MR CHAM SIU-LEUN, AND MRS GRACE WAN; AND A REPRESENTATIVE OF HYSAN DEVELOPMENT COMPANY LIMITED, MR EDDIE TANG, WILL JOINTLY OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY AT 4 PM TOMORROW.

PRIOR TO THE OPENING, A MOBILE REGISTRATION TEAM FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICE WILL VISIT THE STAFF CANTEEN OF MITSUKOSHI DEPARTMENT STORE AT BASEMENT 3 OF HENNESSY CENTRE, AT 3.30 PM TO HELP REGISTER EMPLOYEES OF THE STORE.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MOBILE REGISTRATION TEAM'S VISIT TO THE STAFF CANTEEN AT 3.30 PM TOMORROW (TUESDAY) AND THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE EXHIBITION AT 4 PM AT THE MAIN LOBBY OF HENNESSY CENTRE, WAN CHAI.

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SALT WATER MAINS WORK

SALT WATER SUPPLY TO SOME PREMISES IN KWAI CHUNG WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 10 AM ON THURSDAY (AUGUST 30) TO 10 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR MAINS WORK.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT PREMISES IN SHEUNG KWAI CHUNG, KWAI CHUNG AND HA KWAI CHUNG, INCLUDING KWAI CHUNG ESTATE, KWAI HING ESTATE, KWAI FONG ESTATE, LEI MUK SHUE ESTATE, CHEUNG SHAN ESTATE, SHEK WAI KOK ESTATE, SHEK LEI ESTATE, SHEK YAM ESTATE, LO WAI AND CONTAINER TERMINAL.

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LEAKAGE TEST IN KOWLOON CITY
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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN KOWLOON CITY WILL BE TURNED OFF FROM 11 PM ON THURSDAY (AUGUST 30) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR LEAKAGE TESTS.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT PREMISES ALONG TUNG LUNG ROAD AND TUNG WOR ROAD, INCLUDING BLOCK 5 AND BLOCKS 14 TO 20 OF TUNG TAU ESTATE.

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RESTRICTED ZONE
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FROM 10 AM ON WEDNESDAY (AUGUST 29), TAI HANG TUNG ROAD BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH WOH CHAI STREET AND A POINT ABOUT 110 METRES EAST OF THE SAME JUNCTION WILL BE DESIGNATED A 24-HOUR RESTRICTED ZONE.

WITHIN THE RESTRICTED ZONE, ALL MOTOR VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES AND THOSE AUTHORISED IN WRITING BY THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM PICKING UP OR SETTING DOWN PASSENGERS.

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FLYOVER CLOSURE
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THE PRINCESS MARGARET ROAD FLYOVER WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 1 AM TO 6 AM FROM WEDNESDAY TO FRIDAY (AUGUST 29-31) TO FACILITATE MAINTENANCE WORK.

DURING THE CLOSURE, MOTORISTS FROM PRINCESS MARGARET ROAD HEADING FOR WATERLOO ROAD AND VICE VERSA SHOULD PROCEED ON GROUND LEVEL ROADS.

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