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SURVEY OF BUILDING, CONSTRUCTION, REAL ESTATE SECTORS
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THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT HAS PUBLISHED A STATISTICAL REPORT ENTITLED +1984 SURVEY OF BUILDING, CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE SECTORS+.

THE REPORT CONTAINS COMPREHENSIVE STATISTICAL TABLES ON THE STRUCTURAL AND OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS OF THE BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION SECTOR; REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT; ARCHITECTURAL, SURVEYING AND PROJECT ENGINEERING SERVICES; AND THE REAL ESTATE LEASING, BROKERAGE AND MAINTENANCE MANAGEMENT SERVICES SECTOR.

THE INFORMATION RELATING TO 1984 WAS COLLECTED FROM ESTABLISHMENTS IN THESE SECTORS IN A SURVEY CONDUCTED BY THE DEPARTMENT BETWEEN APRIL 1985 AND EARLY THIS YEAR.

THE REPORT ALSO CONTAINS SUMMARY TABLES ON PAST DATA TO SHOW THE DEVELOPMENTS OF THESE SECTORS IN RECENT YEARS.

BESIDES BEING USED BY THE GOVERNMENT FOR POLICY-MAKING, STATISTICS ARE USED BY THE PRIVATE SECTOR FOR DECISION MAKING, ECONOMIC ANALYSIS AND MARKET RESEARCH.

THE REPORT ON SALE AT \$9 PER COPY IS AVAILABLE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GENERAL POST OFFICE, CONNAUGHT PLACE, OR THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT PUBLICATIONS SALES COUNTER, KAI TAK COMMERCIAL BUILDING, 317 DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL.

ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE REPORT MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE BUILDING, CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE STATISTICS SECTION OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT AT TELEPHONE 3-7213846.

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REVISED RATES FOR PARCELS, SPEEDPOST
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POSTAL RATES FOR SURFACE PARCELS, AIR PARCELS AND SPEEDPOST WILL BE REVISED FROM AUGUST 1, THE POST OFFICE ANNOUNCED TODAY (MONDAY).

HIGHER POSTAGE RATES ARE IN PART DUE TO THE DEPRECIATION OF THE HONG KONG DOLLAR AGAINST THE SPECIAL DRAWING RIGHT (SDR), WHICH IS AN INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND UNIT USED FOR SETTLING INTERNATIONAL POSTAL DEBTS. A CONSIDERABLE RISE IN HANDLING AND DELIVERY CHARGES IMPOSED BY POSTAL ADMINISTRATIONS HAS ALSO LED TO INCREASED RATES FOR PARCELS.

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TO SIMPLIFY THE TARIFF STRUCTURE OF THE SPEEDPOST SERVICE, FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF CUSTOMERS, SEVEN ZONAL RATES WOULD BE INTRODUCED IN PLACE OF THE PRESENT COUNTRY-BY-COUNTRY TARIFF STRUCTURE, A POST OFFICE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THESE ZONES ARE : PACIFIC, ASIA, NORTH AFRICA-MIDDLE EAST, EUROPE, NORTH AMERICA, SOUTH AMERICA AND SOUTH AFRICA.

UNDER THIS NEW TARIFF SYSTEM, RATES FOR SPEEDPOST TO COUNTRIES SUCH AS THE IRISH REPUBLIC, LUXEMBOURG, NETHERLANDS, NORWAY, SWITZERLAND AND THE UNITED KINGDOM WILL REMAIN UNCHANGED. THE RATE FOR MACAU WILL ALSO BE UNCHANGED.

RATES FOR FRANCE, DENMARK, FINLAND, TUNISIA, AND SWEDEN WILL BE REDUCED WHILE THOSE FOR OTHER COUNTRIES WILL BE INCREASED.

FURTHER DETAILS ON THE REVISED RATES CAN BE OBTAINED FROM ANY POST OFFICE OR FROM THE POST OFFICE ENQUIRY BUREAU ON 5-231071.

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WONG TAI SIN DB TO DISCUSS DAYA BAY PROJECT
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WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS WILL DISCUSS AT THEIR REGULAR MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY) THE DAYA BAY NUCLEAR PLANT PROJECT AS REQUESTED BY BOARD MEMBERS MR LIU SING-LEE AND MR CHAN KAM-MAN.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO DISCUSS A REVIEW OF OPEN-AIR THEATRES AND THE REVISED PROPOSAL FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE FUNG TAK ROAD PARK.

THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT HAS PROPOSED TO BUILD A +TABLE-LAND+ ON THE SITE OF THE PARK TO PROVIDE A CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND CONSISTING OF VARIOUS ITEMS FOR PLAY AND EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES.

CHIEF MANAGER (CIVIC CENTRES PLANNING AND TICKETING) OF THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT, MR TONY MA, WILL BRIEF MEMBERS ON THE PROPOSAL AND LISTEN TO MEMBERS' VIEWS.

THE FIVE-YEAR URBAN COUNCIL CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAMME WILL ALSO BE DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING.

THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER (PLANNING), MR TANG KWOK-WAI, AND STAFF OFFICER FOR PLANNING (KOWLOON EAST), MRS HELEN LEUNG, WILL LISTEN TO MEMBERS' VIEWS ON THE PRIORITY RATINGS ACCORDED TO CAPITAL WORKS PROJECTS.

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ALSO PRESENT AT THE MEETING WILL BE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR T.H. CHAU.

BOARD MEMBERS WILL ALSO DISCUSS THE REVISED SPECIAL ALLOWANCE FOR DOMESTIC TENANTS AFFECTED BY THE REDEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME AND THE HOUSING AUTHORITY'S RENT POLICY REVIEW.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE THE ROLE OF THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT AND TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT IMPROVEMENT PLANS IN THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT, THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT WORKS PROGRAMME (1985), AND CHANGE IN MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD'S COMMITTEES.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD MEETING TOMORROW AT 2.30 PM AT THE FUNG MING HALL, WONG TAI SIN TEMPLE.

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MONG KOK SCHOOLS PROMOTING CIVIC AWARENESS
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THE MONG KOK DISTRICT SCHOOL LIAISON COMMITTEE WILL GET MORE INVOLVED THIS YEAR IN PROMOTING CIVIC AWARENESS AND HELPING STUDENTS TO UNDERSTAND DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION.

A COMMITTEE SPOKESMAN SAID VARIOUS PROJECTS HAD BEEN PLANNED THIS YEAR TO HELP STUDENTS AND RESIDENTS LEARN MORE ABOUT GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE, THE LEGISLATURE, JUDICIAL SYSTEM, THE DISTRICT BOARD AND LOCAL ORGANISATIONS.

IT WILL ORGANISE VISITS TO VARIOUS GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, AS WELL AS DEBATES AND QUIZ TO ENHANCE STUDENTS' INTEREST IN TAKING PART IN LOCAL AFFAIRS.

AT PRESENT, THE COMMITTEE HAS A MEMBERSHIP OF 32 SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND PRIMARY SCHOOLS. ITS MAIN AIMS ARE TO STRENGTHEN TIES AMONG SCHOOL PRINCIPALS, TEACHERS AND STUDENTS, AND TO URGE FOR BETTER EDUCATION SERVICES IN THE DISTRICT.

THE COMMITTEE RECENTLY PUBLISHED A REPORT ON ITS WORK AND ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE PAST YEAR.

THE REPORT ALSO LISTS OUT THE NAMES AND INFORMATION OF LOCAL SCHOOLS AND WILL SERVE AS HANDY REFERENCE.

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REVIEWING THE COMMITTEE'S PERFORMANCE IN THE REPORT, THE CHAIRMAN, MR CHAN WO-TUNG, SAID MEMBERS HAD TAKEN AN ACTIVE PART IN PROMOTING COMMUNICATION WITH THE DISTRICT BOARD, GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND LOCAL RESIDENTS.

THEY HAD INITIATED DISCUSSIONS ON SUBJECTS OF COMMON INTEREST IN THE DISTRICT, INCLUDING EDUCATION SYSTEM IN HONG KONG, THE WORK OF THE ICAC AND MORAL EDUCATION.

THEY HAD ALSO ORGANISED, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE DISTRICT BOARD AND LOCAL BODIES, A SEMINAR ON LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTION, ANTI-CORRUPTION EXHIBITIONS, DRAWING COMPETITIONS, AND A KNITTING PROJECT TO PROMOTE CARE FOR THE ELDERLY.

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COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS JSEA REPORT
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MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE OF THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD WILL EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS ON THE REPORT OF THE WORKING PARTY ON THE REVIEW OF THE JUNIOR SECONDARY EDUCATION ASSESSMENT SYSTEM AT A MEETING AT 4 PM TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

MEMBERS WILL BE BRIEFED ON THE SET-UP AND WORK OF THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL AND THE WORK PLAN OF THE ICAC FOK SING OFFICE FOR 1986-87.

A QUESTION WILL BE RAISED REGARDING THE PROVISION OF YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S CENTRES IN WAN CHAI DISTRICT.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THE MEETING WHICH WILL BE HELD IN THE DISTRICT OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM ON THE EIGHTH FLOOR OF TUNG WAH MANSION, 201 HENNESSY ROAD.

THOSE INTERESTED SHOULD CONTACT THE DISTRICT BOARD SECRETARIAT ON TELEPHONE 5-8921239 TO MAKE RESERVATIONS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE OF THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD AT 4 PM TOMORROW AT THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICE AT TUNG WAH MANSION, 201 HENNESSY ROAD.

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BETTER ACCESS FOR TIN SHUI WAI VILLAGES
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ONE RESULT OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW TOWN AT TIN SHUI WAI WILL BE BETTER VEHICULAR AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESS FOR PERIPHERAL VILLAGES IN THE AREA.

THE TERRITORY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT IS TO BUILD A SERIES OF ROADS, A BRIDGE, FOOTBRIDGES AND FOOTPATHS, CYCLE TRACKS AND CAR PARKS IN THE AREA AS PHASE II OF ITS PROGRAMME OF VILLAGE FLOOD PROTECTION WORKS IN THE VICINITY OF THE NEW TOWN.

THE SCHEME IS CONNECTED WITH THE PLAN TO MAKE TIN SHUI WAI THE EVENTUAL HOME FOR 130 000 PEOPLE. THIS MEANS A MASSIVE REARRANGEMENT OF THE DRAINAGE OF THIS LOW-LYING AREA.

A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID FACILITIES WOULD BE BUILT FROM PING HA ROAD TO SHEK PO TSUEN AND TO TIN HA ROAD NEAR SAN LEE UK TSUEN IN THE SOUTH= AND TO THE TIN SHUI WAI NEW TOWN SITE IN THE NORTH.

A STRETCH OF PING HA ROAD EAST OF HA TSUEN WILL BE REALIGNED AND A BRIDGE AT THE SAME LOCATION DEMOLISHED. SEVERAL OTHER MINOR BRIDGES WILL ALSO BE DEMOLISHED.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT WHERE EXISTING BRIDGES, FOOTPATHS AND TRACKS WERE CLOSED AND REPLACED, PEDESTRIAN AND VEHICULAR ACCESS WOULD BE MAINTAINED.

HE SAID THAT FILL MATERIAL FOR THE ROAD WORKS WOULD BE TAKEN FROM THE NEARBY NGAU HOM SHA BORROW AREA.

DETAILS OF THE PROPOSED WORKS ARE PUBLISHED IN THE LATEST GAZETTE AND OBJECTIONS SHOULD BE SENT IN WRITING TO THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT BY AUGUST 26.

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SCHOOLS SUMMER DANCE DAY 1986 TO BE STAGED
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THE SCHOOLS SUMMER DANCE DAY 1986 WILL BE HELD AT THE TSUEN WAN TOWN HALL ON THE EVENING OF JULY 6.

THE EVENT IS JOINTLY PRESENTED BY THE REGIONAL COUNCIL AND THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

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A SELECTION OF CHINESE DANCES WILL BE PERFORMED BY THE HONG KONG SCHOOLS CHINESE DANCE TEAM AND OTHER WESTERN AND CREATIVE DANCES BY SCHOOLS THAT WON AWARDS IN THE SCHOOLS DANCE FESTIVAL HELD IN JANUARY THIS YEAR.

THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR MICHAEL LEUNG, WILL PRESENT A FLAG TO THE HONG KONG SCHOOLS CHINESE DANCE TEAM BEFORE THE EVENT.

THE TEAM WILL LEAVE FOR PERFORMANCES AT THE NEW HONG KONG EXHIBITION TO BE HELD AT THE COMMONWEALTH INSTITUTE IN LONDON, IN THE FESTIVAL INTERNATIONAL DE MUSICA DE CANTONIGROS IN SPAIN, AND IN THE ABERDEEN INTERNATIONAL YOUTH FESTIVAL IN SCOTLAND BETWEEN JULY 15 AND AUGUST 11 THIS YEAR.

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FREE FROM TSUEN WAN TOWN HALL BOX OFFICE.

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MORE GYMNASTIC EQUIPMENT FOR GOOD HEALTHY FUN
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THOUSANDS OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE DENSELY-POPULATED MONG KOK DISTRICT WILL BE ABLE TO ENJOY GOOD HEALTHY FUN WHEN THE ADDITIONAL BOUNDARY STREET INDOOR GAMES HALL (IGH) OPENS EARLY NEXT YEAR.

AT ITS LAST MEETING THE URBAN COUNCIL'S TENDER BOARD APPROVED TENDERS BY EIGHT TRADING COMPANIES FOR THE SUPPLY OF \$34 638 WORTH OF VARIED GYMNASTIC EQUIPMENT TO BE USED AT THE NEW IGH.

+THE EQUIPMENT INCLUDES GYMNASTIC DUMB-BELLS, STATIONERY CYCLE EXERCISER, TABLE-TENNIS TABLES, REFEREE STANDS FOR BADMINTON AND VOLLEYBALL, SCOREBOARDS FOR VOLLEYBALL, BADMINTON, TABLE-TENNIS, BASKETBALL AND HANDBALL, VOLLEYBALL AND BADMINTON NETS, SQUASH RACKETS AND SQUASH BALLS,+ SAID A COUNCIL SPOKESMAN.

ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT FOR THE NEW INDOOR GAMES HALL WILL BE PURCHASED OVER THE COMING MONTHS.

THE TWO-STOREY INDOOR GAMES HALL WILL COMPRISE FOUR AIR-CONDITIONED SQUASH COURTS, ONE MULTI-PURPOSE GAMES AREA FOR BADMINTON, VOLLEYBALL AND BASKETBALL, AND A FITNESS CUM GAMES ROOM WITH FITNESS EQUIPMENT.

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+AT PRESENT, THERE IS ONLY ONE INDOOR GAMES HALL IN MONG KOK WHICH IS SUFFERING FROM A SERIOUS SHORTAGE OF LAND FOR SPORTING ACTIVITIES,+ SAID THE SPOKESMAN.

+THE EXISTING BOUNDARY STREET INDOOR GAMES HALL, WHICH WAS BUILT IN 1970, HAS ONLY A MULTI-PURPOSE GAMES AREA AND A GAMES ROOM.

+THE OPENING OF THE NEW INDOOR GAMES HALL WILL DO MUCH TO MEET THE GROWING DEMAND FOR SUCH FACILITIES.+

A SIMILAR INDOOR GAMES HALL WILL BE PROVIDED IN THE FA YUEN STREET URBAN COUNCIL COMPLEX, WHICH IS SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION IN EARLY 1988.

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TAI WAI TEMPORARY STATION BEING DEMOLISHED
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WORK HAS STARTED ON DEMOLISHING THE TEMPORARY RAILWAY STATION AT TAI WAI, SHA TIN, UNDER A \$800 000 CONTRACT AWARDED BY THE CIVIL ENGINEERING SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

IT INVOLVES DEMOLITION OF THE TWO 250-METRE-LONG PLATFORMS, AWNINGS, AND THE TEMPORARY STATION BUILDING. THE JOB WILL TAKE SIX MONTHS.

THE STATION WAS BUILT IN NOVEMBER 1982 AT A COST OF \$6 MILLION TO SERVE THE GROWING POPULATION OF TAI WAI ARISING FROM PUBLIC HOUSING DEVELOPMENT.

HOWEVER, AS PART OF THE MODERNISATION AND ELECTRIFICATION OF THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY, A PERMANENT STATION WAS BUILT AND IT OPENED IN APRIL THIS YEAR.

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ORGANISED TRAINING FOR PRECISION TOOL MAKERS
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THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL WILL BE HOLDING A SETTING-UP CEREMONY ON WEDNESDAY (JULY 2) TO MARK THE ARRIVAL AND INSTALLATION OF SOPHISTICATED EQUIPMENT SUCH AS COMPUTER CONTROLLED MACHINES IN THE COUNCIL'S PRECISION TOOLING TRAINING CENTRE AT KOWLOON BAY.

THE \$27 MILLION CENTRE WILL BECOME OPERATIONAL IN SEPTEMBER TO UPGRADE THE CAPABILITIES OF TOOL AND MOULD MAKERS AND TO EQUIP THEM WITH THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE LATEST PRECISION TOOLING TECHNOLOGY.

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THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE COUNCIL, MR MORRIS MORGAN, AND SENIOR BRITISH TRADE COMMISSIONER, MR R.E. HOLLOWAY, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE CEREMONY.

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YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CEREMONY AT 11.30 AM ON WEDNESDAY AT THE PRECISION TOOLING TRAINING CENTRE ON THE FOURTH FLOOR, KOWLOON BAY TRAINING CENTRE COMPLEX, 46 TAI YIP STREET, KOWLOON.

WATER STORAGE FIGURE
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STORAGE IN HONG KONG'S RESERVOIRS AT 9 AM TODAY (MONDAY) STOOD AT 53.1 PER CENT OF CAPACITY OR 311.360 MILLION CUBIC METRES.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR THE RESERVOIRS CONTAINED 348.469 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF WATER, REPRESENTING 59.4 PER CENT OF CAPACITY.

WATER CUTS IN THREE AREAS
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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN TSUEN WAN AND YUEN LONG WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR SEVERAL HOURS ON THURSDAY (JULY 3).

IN TSUEN WAN, WATER SUPPLY WILL BE TURNED OFF FROM 10 PM TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR MAINS WORK.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT ALL PREMISES ON THE NORTH SIDE BOUNDED BY LO WAI ROAD, YI PEI CHUN ROAD, CHEUNG PEI SHAN ROAD AND ROUTE TWISK, INCLUDING LO WAI TSUEN, SAN TSUEN, PAK TIN PA TSUEN, SAI LAU KOK TSUEN, MA SIN PAI TSUEN, YUEN YUEN HOK YUEN, FU YUNG SHAN, CHUK LAM SIM YUEN, TUNG PO TO, FU YUNG SHAN ROAD, PAK TIN PA SAN TSUEN, YI PEI CHUN, KWU HANG VILLAGE, CHUNG KUK TOI AND NAM TIN CHUK.

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IN YUEN LONG, WATER SUPPLY WILL BE TURNED OFF FROM 11 PM TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR LEAKAGE TEST.

THE AFFECTED PREMISES ARE BOUNDED BY KAM TIN ROAD BETWEEN KO PO TSUEN, TSZ TONG TSUEN AND KAM SHEUNG ROAD, INCLUDING KAT HING WAI, TAI HONG TSUEN, NG KA TSUEN, KAM TSIN WAI, TIN SAM, SHEK WU TONG, YUEN KONG TSUEN, YUEN KONG SAN TSUEN, MA ON KONG, HO PUI, CHEUNG PO, TAI KEK, TAI WO, SHUI LAU TIN, NGAU KENG, SHUI TSAN TIN, LIN FA TEI, SHEUNG TSUEN LAI KA TSZ, SHEK TAU WAI, YUEN LING TSAI AND SHEUNG TSUEN.

EARLIER THE SAME DAY, SALT WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN HO MAN TIN WILL ALSO BE TURNED OFF FROM 8 AM TO 5 PM FOR MAINS WORK.

THE AFFECTED PREMISES ARE BOUNDED BY HO MAN TIN AND KING'S PARK, INCLUDING HO MAN TIN ESTATE, OI MAN ESTATE, VALLEY ROAD ESTATE AND KING GEORGE V COLLEGE.

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