



DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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GOVERNOR SEES DEVELOPMENT PROGRESS IN TSUEN WAN
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THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE, TODAY TOURED TSUEN WAN AND INSPECTED THE MANY DEVELOPMENTS THAT HAD TAKEN PLACE SINCE HE LAST VISITED THE NEW TOWN A YEAR AGO.

HE WAS ACCOMPANIED ON THE VISIT BY THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR. DAVID AKERS-JONES= THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES (DEVELOPMENT), MR. JOHN TODD= THE DIRECTOR OF NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT, MR. J.R. WHITAKER AND THE TSUEN WAN TOWN MANAGER, MR. JAMES HAYES.

THEY HAD DISCUSSIONS ON THE NEW TOWN'S MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT ON BOARD THE GOVERNMENT LAUNCH, +SIR CECIL CLEMENTI+, AFTER THE GOVERNOR HAD VISITED THE DOW CHEMICALS (H.K.) LTD. ON TSING YI AND THE MODERN TERMINALS LTD. IN KWAI CHUNG.

SIR MURRAY WAS TOLD THAT SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS HAD BEEN MADE IN THE PROVISION OF COMMUNITY FACILITIES FOR TSUEN WAN. WORK HAS EITHER STARTED OR WILL BEGIN SOON ON A NUMBER OF PROJECTS WHICH INCLUDE AN INDOOR GAMES HALL, TWO PLAYGROUNDS, THE KWAI CHUNG SPORTS GROUND AND EIGHT SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

HE WAS ALSO BRIEFED BY THE P.W.D.'S PROJECT MANAGER IN TSUEN WAN, MR. EDDIE SHORT, ON THE VARIOUS NEW TRUNK ROAD PROPOSALS FOR TSUEN WAN AS WELL AS ON THE PROGRESS OF ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS DESIGNED TO EASE TRAFFIC FLOW IN THE BUSY DISTRICT.

IN TSUEN WAN, THE GOVERNOR SAW WORK UNDERWAY AT THE SITE FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES' FIRST PURPOSE-BUILT AUDITORIUM WHICH SHOULD BE COMPLETED IN 1979 TO CATER FOR THE INCREASING CULTURAL ACTIVITIES IN THE NEW TOWN.

HE THEN WENT ON TO HAVE A LOOK AT THE SITE FOR THE GOVERNMENT'S PROPOSED TSO KUNG TAM PARK AND RECREATION CENTRE, A MASTER PLAN FOR WHICH IS NOW BEING DRAWN UP BY CONSULTANTS.

THE NEXT STOP WAS AT GOLDHILL WHERE THE DEVELOPMENT OF TWO PRIVATE HOUSING PROJECTS BY HOPEWELL AND SUN HUNG KEI WILL PROVIDE HOUSING AND RECREATION FACILITIES FOR 30,000 PEOPLE.

SIR MURRAY PROCEEDED TO THE TSUEN WAN TOWN MANAGEMENT OFFICE WHERE HE MET THE LOCAL NEW TERRITORIES JUSTICES OF THE PEACE AS WELL AS CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN OF THE TSUEN WAN, TSING YI AND MA WAN RURAL COMMITTEES.

THE TOUR TOOK THE PARTY TO A LOOK-OUT POINT ABOVE SHING MUN ROAD WHERE THE GOVERNOR SAW THE DEVELOPMENT UNDERWAY ON THE SHING ON ESTATE WHICH WILL HOUSE 34,000 PEOPLE BY EARLY 1981, AND ON THE CHEUNG SHAN ESTATE WHICH WILL HOUSE 12,000 BY 1979.

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THE VISITORS WERE BRIEFED ON THE WORK WHICH WOULD BEGIN SHORTLY ON THE CASTLE PEAK ROAD-TEXACO ROAD INTERCHANGE TO PROVIDE AN EASY ACCESS INTO TSUEN WAN AND EASE TRAFFIC CONGESTION AT THIS BUSY JUNCTION.

SIR MURRAY THEN CALLED AT THE LEK MUK SHUE COMMUNITY HALL AND HELD A MEETING WITH MEMBERS OF THE TSUEN WAN RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE.

THE LAST STOP WAS AT THE KWAI CHUNG POLICE STATION. HERE, SIR MURRAY WAS MET BY THE DISTRICT POLICE COMMANDER, NEW TERRITORIES, MR. J.H. GRIEVE. HE LEARNED THAT THE INTRODUCTION OF THE BEAT RADIO SYSTEM IN TSUEN WAN AND KWAI CHUNG HAD PRODUCED GOOD RESULTS, WITH THE BEAT POLICEMEN NOW EVEN MORE EFFECTIVELY EMPLOYED.

THE GOVERNOR LATER VISITED THE NEW TERRITORIES DISTRICT POLICE CONTROL ROOM AND HAD DISCUSSIONS WITH MEMBERS OF THE TSUEN WAN FIGHT VIOLENT CRIME COMMITTEE.

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EMPLOYMENT IN WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADES

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A TOTAL OF 260,700 PERSONS WERE ENGAGED IN WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADES IN MARCH THIS YEAR, ACCORDING TO A RECENT EMPLOYMENT SURVEY CONDUCTED BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

THE WHOLESALE TRADES INCLUDED IMPORT AND EXPORT BUSINESSES.

THE FIGURE REPRESENTS A DECLINE OF ABOUT 3,500 PERSONS OR 1.3 PER CENT FROM THE 264,190 ENGAGED LAST DECEMBER. COMPARED WITH MARCH LAST YEAR HOWEVER, EMPLOYMENT WAS UP BY 6,320 PERSONS OR 2.5 PER CENT.

OF THE 260,700 PERSONS ENGAGED THIS MARCH, 122,920 WERE IN RETAIL TRADE, 22,430 IN WHOLESALE TRADE, 79,480 IN IMPORT/EXPORT BUSINESS AND 35,870 IN A COMBINATION OF IMPORT/EXPORT, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL ACTIVITIES.

THE EMPLOYMENT SURVEY ALSO SHOWS 93,460 PERSONS WORKING IN RESTAURANTS, CAFES AND BARS, AN INCREASE OF 3,450 OR 3.8 PER CENT COMPARED WITH DECEMBER 1976= AND 16,810 IN HOTELS AND BOARDING HOUSES, A SLIGHT DECLINE OF 60 OR 0.4 PER CENT.

COMPARED WITH MARCH 1976, AN INCREASE IN EMPLOYMENT OF 7,460 PERSONS OR 8.7 PER CENT WAS RECORDED IN RESTAURANTS, CAFES AND BARS, AND 310 OR 1.9 PER CENT IN HOTELS AND BOARDING HOUSES.

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INDUSTRIAL WORKERS ON STUDY TOUR TO JAPAN
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ABOUT 30 INDUSTRIAL WORKERS WILL TAKE PART IN A NINE-DAY STUDY TOUR TO JAPAN NEXT WEEK.

THE PARTICIPANTS, ALL AGED BETWEEN 18 AND 30, ARE DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN THE PRODUCTION LINE OF THE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY. THEY HAVE BEEN NOMINATED BY THEIR EMPLOYERS WHO ARE ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE TOUR.

SPONSORED BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT, THE STUDY TOUR HAS BEEN ORGANISED BY THE HONG KONG PRODUCTIVITY CENTRE AND THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT INDUSTRIAL WORKERS' RECREATIONAL SCHEME COMMITTEE.

MRS. HENRIETTA CHEN, THE COMMUNITY AND YOUTH OFFICER FOR WONG TAI SIN, WHO IS ALSO THE LEADER OF THE GROUP, SAID :
+THE TOUR HAS BEEN ORGANISED NOT ONLY TO BROADEN THE MIND OF THE FACTORY WORKERS BUT ALSO TO PROVIDE THEM WITH A CHANCE TO OBSERVE THE TECHNICAL SKILLS OF THE JAPANESE INDUSTRIAL WORKERS, AND TO STUDY THEIR WELFARE SCHEMES AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES.+

THE STUDY TOUR WILL BEGIN ON JUNE 16 IN TOKYO WHERE THE PARTICIPANTS WILL VISIT A WATCH COMPANY, AN AUDIO EQUIPMENT EXHIBITION AND A CAMERA FACTORY. ON ARRIVAL AT OSAKA ON JUNE 21, THE GROUP WILL VISIT AN IRON AND STEEL INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, AN ELECTRONIC FACTORY AND A PLASTICS FACTORY.

MRS. CHEN NOTED THAT THE PROGRAMME WOULD ALSO INCLUDE A VISIT TO A TECHNICAL SCHOOL, A YOUTH CENTRE AND SOME SIGHT-SEEING TOURS.

+DURING THE TOUR, EXPERTS IN THE VARIOUS FIELDS WILL GIVE LECTURES ON JAPANESE INDUSTRIES AND PARTICIPANTS WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS WITH THEIR COUNTERPARTS IN JAPAN ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTERESTS,+ SHE ADDED.

MR. JIMMY SWEETMAN, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, WILL PRESENT A BANNER TO THE GROUP AT A CEREMONY TO BE HELD AT THE WONG TAI SIN COMMUNITY CENTRE THIS FRIDAY (JUNE 10) AT 11 A.M.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE PRESENTATION OF A BANNER TO 30 INDUSTRIAL WORKERS BY MR. JIMMY SWEETMAN, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, TO BE HELD AT THE WONG TAI SIN COMMUNITY CENTRE, 104, CHING TAK STREET ON FRIDAY AT 11 A.M.

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LABOUR COMMISSIONER PRAISES FACTORIES DURING VISIT
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THE NEW COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR, MR. PETER WILLIAMS, TODAY (WEDNESDAY) TOURED TWO FACTORIES, ONE IN KOWLOON AND ANOTHER IN TSUEN WAN, AT THE START OF A SERIES OF FAMILIARISATION VISITS TO INDUSTRIAL CONCERNS.

THIS WAS MR. WILLIAMS' FIRST VISIT TO FACTORIES SINCE HE BECAME COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR.

HIS FIRST STOP WAS AMPEX FERROTEC LTD., AN ELECTRONIC COMPUTER FACTORY IN TAI NAN STREET, SHAM SHUI PO RUN BY AN AMERICAN CONCERN. IT EMPLOYS ABOUT 2,000 WORKERS, INCLUDING SOME 200 HIGHLY SPECIALISED TECHNICAL STAFF.

THE COMPANY IN 1970 STARTED TRAINING TECHNICIAN APPRENTICES ALONG THE LINES OF THE SCHEME PROPOSED BY THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT.

MR. WILLIAMS' SECOND STOP WAS THE CENTRAL TEXTILES (H.K.) LTD., AT SHA TSUI ROAD IN TSUEN WAN WHICH EMPLOYS ABOUT 1,500 WORKERS.

THIS COMPANY ALSO RUNS A CRAFT APPRENTICESHIP SCHEME OF THREE YEARS DURATION AND RECRUITS APPRENTICES THROUGH THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT.

AT THE END OF THE DAY'S VISIT MR. WILLIAMS PRAISED THE TWO COMPANIES' FORWARD LOOKING POLICY IN RUNNING APPRENTICE SCHEMES AND IN PROVIDING GOOD WELFARE FACILITIES FOR THEIR STAFF INCLUDING MEDICAL FACILITIES. AMPEX FERROTEC PROVIDES PAID ANNUAL LEAVE OF BETWEEN SIX AND 10 DAYS DEPENDING ON THE WORKERS' LENGTH OF SERVICE.

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SAN PO KONG FACTORIES TO BE SUMMONED
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SUMMONSES WILL BE TAKEN OUT AGAINST NINE FACTORIES IN SAN PO KONG FOR BREACHING FIRE SERVICES REGULATIONS.

THIS FOLLOWS A RETURN VISIT TODAY BY MORE THAN 50 FIRE OFFICERS TO THE INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS IN THE DISTRICT IN AN EFFORT TO REDUCE FIRE HAZARDS.

THE VISIT WAS THE RESULT OF A SURVEY MADE IN MARCH THIS YEAR DURING WHICH THE CONDITIONS IN MOST OF THE BUILDINGS INSPECTED WERE FOUND TO BE UNSATISFACTORY.

IN TODAY'S VISIT, 319 FACTORIES IN 16 INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS WERE INSPECTED. APART FROM THE SUMMONSES TO BE ISSUED SHORTLY, 24 FACTORY OWNERS WILL BE SERVED WITH FIRE HAZARD ABATEMENT NOTICES REQUIRING THEM TO CLEAR THE DANGERS WITHIN A STIPULATED PERIOD.

THE OFFICERS WILL CONTINUE THEIR INSPECTIONS IN THE AREA TOMORROW.

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TRADE DISPUTE SETTLED

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THE TRADE DISPUTE AT THE WELTEX KNITTING GARMENT FACTORY IN KWAI CHUNG WAS AMICABLY SETTLED TODAY (WEDNESDAY) FOLLOWING MEDIATION BY LABOUR DEPARTMENT'S LABOUR RELATIONS SERVICE AND SUBSEQUENT DIRECT NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE WORKERS AND THE MANAGEMENT.

THE DISPUTE AROSE LAST MONTH WHEN THE MANAGEMENT NOTIFIED THE WORKERS OF THEIR RETRENCHMENT AS OF JUNE 10.

AT A MEETING HELD AT THE TSUEN WAN OFFICE OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT THE TWO SIDES SIGNED AN AGREEMENT IN WHICH THE MANAGEMENT PROMISED TO PAY SEVEN DAYS' WAGES AS EX-GRATIA PAYMENT TO THE WORKERS.

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SILVER JUBILEE MEDAL

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Some 140 Hong Kong citizens have been awarded the Queen's Silver Jubilee Medal in recognition of their service to the community.

The medal is a personal award from the Queen to members of the Crown services and to others in the United Kingdom and other Commonwealth countries and in the Dependent Territories.

Among the Hong Kong recipients are the Governor, Sir Murray MacLehose, the Chief Secretary, Sir Denys Roberts, the Hon. Sir Y.K. Kan, the Hon. Dr. S.Y. Chung, Mr. A. de O. Sales, Mrs. Elsie Elliott, Mr. Brook Bernacchi and Sir Shiu-kin Tang.

Other recipients of the Medal are:

The Hon. C.P. Haddon-Cave, CMG, JP
 The Hon. J.W.D. Hobley, CMG, QC, JP
 Mr. D.C. Bray, CMG, CVO
 The Hon. LI Fook-kow, CMG, JP
 The Hon. Sir Sidney Gordon, CBE, JP
 The Hon. T.K. Ann, CBE, JP
 The Hon. G.M. Sayer, JP
 The Hon. Oswald Cheung, CBE, QC, JP
 The Hon. Q.W. Lee, CBE, JP
 The Hon. Mrs. Joyce Symons, OBE, JP
 The Hon. I.M. Lightbody, CMG, JP

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The Hon. L.M. Davies, CMG, OBE, JP
The Hon. D.W. McDonald, JP
The Hon. K.W.J. Topley, CMG, JP
The Hon. D.G. Jeaffreson, JP
Mr. I.R. Price, CBE, TD
The Hon. A.J. Scott, JP
The Hon. G.C. Thornton, QC
The Hon. E.H. Nichols, OBE, JP
The Hon. Thomas C.Y. Lee, JP
The Hon. D.J.C. Jones, JP
Dr. The Hon. K.L. Thong, JP
The Hon. R.H. Lobo, OBE, JP
The Hon. P.G. Williams, OBE, JP
The Hon. James WU Han-hon, OBE, JP
The Hon. Hilton Cheong-Leen, OBE, JP
The Hon. LI Fook-wo, OBE, JP
The Hon. J.H. Bremridge, OBE, JP
Dr. The Hon. Harry FANG Sin-yang, OBE, JP
The Hon. Mrs. KWAN KO Siu-wah, OBE, JP
The Hon. T.S. Lo, OBE, JP
The Hon. Francis Y.H. Tien, OBE, JP
The Hon. Alex WU Shu-chih, OBE, JP
The Rev. The Hon. Joyce Bennett, JP
The Hon. CHEN Shou-lum, JP
The Hon. Miss Lydia Dunn, JP
Dr. The Hon. Henry H.L. Hu, OBE, JP
The Hon. LEUNG Tat-shing, JP
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The Hon. WONG Lam, JP
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Mr. R.E. Downing, CBE, JP
Mr. Donald P.H. Liao, OBE, JP
Mr. R.V. Giddy, JP
Mr. A. Fletcher, OBE
Mr. D.W.A. Blye, OBE, JP
Mr. P. Jacobs, JP
Mr. F. Crabb, ED, JP
Mr. G.E. Lyth, OBE, JP
Mr. F.J. Young, OBE, JP
Mr. M. Addi
Mr. T.G. Garner, JP
Mr. G.J. Bell, OBE, AE, JP
Sir Ronald Holmes, CMG, CBE, ED
Mr. J. Cater, CBE, JP
Mr. H.N.G. Forsgate, OBE, JP
Mr. Kenneth T.C. Lo, OBE, JP
Dr. D.M.H. Huang
Mr. P.F. Chan, JP
Mr. P.C.K. Chan
Mr. John Mackenzie, JP
The Hon. Sir Sik-nin CHAU, CBE, JP
Sir Lindsay Ride, CBE, ED, JP
Sir Lawrence Kadoorie, CBE, JP
The Hon. Sir Albert Rodrigues, CBE, ED, JP
The Hon. Sir Kenneth Ping-fan Fung, CBE, JP
The Hon. Sir Douglas Clague, CBE, MC, QPM, CPM, TD, JP
The Hon. Sir Geoffrey Briggs
The Hon. Mr. Justice Huggins
The Hon. Mr. Justice Pickering

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Mr. CHAN Siu-leun, MBE, JP
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Mr. J.L. Marden, CBE, JP
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Major N.P. Pavri, ED
Sergeant G.H. Austin
Wing-Commander R.G. Penlington, AE
Warrant Officer LAW Shiu-kee, BEM, AE
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Aux. Pol. Sergeant CHUNG Man-sun
Mr. T.C. Cheng, OBE, JP
Mrs. Marjorie Angus
Mr. LUK Piu
Mr. F.M. Watson, QFSM, JP
Principal Ambulanceman LI Fat
Station Sergeant CHUNG Wing
Sergeant YIP Kai
Sergeant YUEN Tak-kuen
Sergeant POON Kam-fai, CPM
Police Constable CHAN Shing
Mr. R.V.L. Hatton
Mr. TANG Wing
Mr. J.M. Rowlands
Mr. D.C. Readman

Mr. T.H. Bashall

Mr. T.H. Bashall
Sen. Sergeant CHUNG Yick-cheung
Mr. A.A. Carroll, JP
Mr. LO Ian-wai, CBE, JP
Mr. NGAN Shing-kwan, CBE, JP
Mr. N.V.A. Croucher, JP
Mr. Peter Henry SIN, JP
Mr. TS'O Tsun-on, OBE, JP
Mr. E.R. Childe, CBE, JP
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Dr. YECH Guan-eng, OBE, JP
Mr. TONG Shiu-cheung
Mr. LO Sze-hoi
Mr. LEUNG Chak
Mr. FUNG Shun
Mr. CHUI Hon
Mr. LEUNG Wai
Mr. SO Kwok-ying
Mr. Augustus Lau
Mr. LO Kai