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DEBATE ON EDUCATION GREEN PAPER IN LEGCO TOMORROW

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AT LEAST 12 UNOFFICIAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCILLORS WILL SPEAK AT THE DEBATE ON THE GREEN PAPER ON +SENIOR SECONDARY AND TERTIARY EDUCATION+ AT THE COUNCIL MEETING TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY).

DEBATE ON THE GREEN PAPER WILL LATER BE ADJOURNED.

DURING QUESTION TIME, THE UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS WILL RAISE A TOTAL OF 18 QUESTIONS ON VARIOUS MATTERS OF PUBLIC INTEREST.

THE HON. SIR SZE-YUEN CHUNG WILL ASK WHETHER THE GOVERNMENT HAS ANY PLANS, BOTH SHORT AND LONG TERMS, TO IMPROVE THE TRANSPORT SITUATION ALONG THE NORTH SHORE OF HONG KONG ISLAND.

THE HON. MRS. KWAN KO SIU-WAH WILL ASK IF THE GOVERNMENT IS AWARE OF THE INCONVENIENCES CAUSED BY ITS POLICY OF PROHIBITING PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES FROM ENTERING PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES AND IF IT WILL CONSIDER RELAXING THE BAN.

IN A SEPARATE QUESTION, THE HON. MRS. KWAN KO SIU-WAH WILL ASK WHY THE GOVERNMENT HAS CONSTRUCTED A TEMPORARY HOUSING AREA IN HA KWAI CHUNG, WHERE SOME RESIDENTS HAVE TO MOVE OUT AFTER ONLY THREE MONTHS AND THE REST WITHIN TWO YEARS BECAUSE THE SITE IS REQUIRED FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

THE HON. T.S. LEUNG WILL ASK IF THE GOVERNMENT WILL STEP UP THE CLEARING OF GULLIES AND SANDTRAPS ALONG PUBLIC THOROUGHFARES SO AS TO ENSURE THAT THERE ARE NO BLOCKAGES TO CAUSE FURTHER FLOODINGS AFTER TORRENTIAL RAINS.

THE HON. JAMES WU WILL ASK THE GOVERNMENT TO COMMENT ON PUBLIC CRITICISM ON THE ALLEGED INADEQUACY OF ROAD SIGNS AND LANE ARRANGEMENTS ON THE NEW TUEN MUN ROAD FOR SAFE DRIVING.

DR. THE HON. HARRY FANG WILL ASK THE GOVERNMENT TO STATE WHAT PROTECTIVE AND PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES ARE IN EXISTENCE OR BEING DEvised IN THE USE OF X-RAY IN COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL UNDERTAKINGS.

OTHER QUESTIONS TO BE RAISED BY THE UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS CONCERN TRAFFIC ACCIDENT STATISTICS, THE POSSIBILITY OF LAUNCHING A MAJOR ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN THIS FINANCIAL YEAR, THE COMPENSATION OFFERED TO THOSE TO BE DISPLACED FROM SAI LAU KOK IN TSUEN WAN AND THE REPROVISIONING OF THE MA TAU WEI GIRLS' HOME.

A TOTAL OF NINE BILLS WILL BE INTRODUCED INTO THE COUNCIL FOR FIRST AND SECOND READINGS. THEY ARE THE AUDIT (AMENDMENT) BILL 1978, THE INLAND REVENUE (AMENDMENT)(NO. 3) BILL 1978, THE TRAINING CENTRES (AMENDMENT) BILL 1978, THE FEDERATION OF HONG KONG INDUSTRIES (AMENDMENT) BILL 1978, THE MERCHANT SHIPPING (AMENDMENT)(NO. 2) BILL 1978, THE MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY (LAND RESUMPTION AND RELATED PROVISIONS)(AMENDMENT) BILL 1978, THE ROAD TRAFFIC (AMENDMENT)(NO. 3) BILL 1978, THE BOILERS AND PRESSURE RECEIVERS (AMENDMENT) BILL 1978 AND THE DUTIABLE COMMODITIES (AMENDMENT)(NO. 2) BILL 1978.

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LABOUR COMMISSIONER VISITS PRECISION INSTRUMENT FACTORY

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ESTABLISHMENTS THAT MANUFACTURE HIGH PRECISION PRODUCTS SUCH AS TOOLS AND DIES ARE MOST WELCOME TO HONG KONG AND REPRESENT THE HIGHER LEVEL OF TECHNOLOGY NEEDED AS INDUSTRY DIVERSIFIES HERE, THE COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR, MR. NEIL HENDERSON, SAID TODAY.

MR. HENDERSON MADE THIS COMMENT WHEN HE VISITED THE FACTORY OF KRAS ASIA LTD. IN KWUN TONG WHICH MANUFACTURES A RANGE OF PRECISION MOLDS, TOOLS, DIES AND SPECIAL MACHINERY FOR THE ELECTRONICS AND PLASTICS INDUSTRIES.

THE COMPANY ALSO SUPPLIES PREHEATERS, PREFORMERS, AND MOLDING PRESS FOR THERMOSETTS AS WELL AS SEMI-CONDUCTOR ASSEMBLY EQUIPMENT. THE PRODUCTS CATER FOR A WIDE SECTOR OF THE ELECTRONIC AND OTHER INDUSTRIES IN BOTH HONG KONG AND SOUTHEAST ASIA.

WHILE TOURING THE FACTORY, MR. HENDERSON ALSO COMPLIMENTED THE COMPANY'S EFFORTS IN TRAINING LOCAL STAFF IN TOOL AND MOLD MAKING TO HELP ALLEVIATE THE SHORTAGE OF TOOL AND DIE MAKERS IN HONG KONG.

DURING THE VISIT, MR. HENDERSON SAW THE FACTORY'S WORKSHOP AND ITS QUALITY CONTROL DEPARTMENT WHERE MACHINE PARTS ARE THOROUGHLY CHECKED AND INSPECTED WITH PRECISION INSTRUMENTS.

KRAS ASIA LTD., ONE OF THE PIONEERING FIRMS IN HONG KONG TO START THE MANUFACTURE OF SOPHISTICATED THERMO PLASTIC MOLDS, HAS A GOOD APPRENTICESHIP SCHEME AND EMPLOYS A STAFF OF ABOUT 100. AT PRESENT, THE COMPANY HAS 12 APPRENTICES AND ALL OF THEM ATTEND RELATED COURSES AT GOVERNMENT TECHNICAL INSTITUTIONS ON A PART-TIME DAY-RELEASE BASIS.

THE FACTORY OCCUPIES TWO FLOORS OF A FACTORY BUILDING IN HUNG TO ROAD IN KWUN TONG.

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30 PRISONS DEPARTMENT CADETS PROMOTED TO OFFICER RANK

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THIRTY NEWLY PROMOTED OFFICERS OF THE PRISONS DEPARTMENT RECEIVED THEIR LETTERS OF APPOINTMENT TODAY (TUESDAY) FROM THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF PRISONS, MR. CHAN WAH-SHEK, AT A CEREMONY AT THE DEPARTMENT'S STAFF TRAINING INSTITUTE IN STANLEY.

THIS IS THE LARGEST NUMBER OF PROMOTIONS OF OFFICER CADETS AT ONE TIME IN THE HISTORY OF THE DEPARTMENT, AND IS LARGELY DUE TO THE INCREASES IN STAFF ESTABLISHMENT OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS. THE ESTABLISHMENT HAS RISEN FROM 1,668 IN 1972 TO THE PRESENT 4,114.

AT THE PRESENTATION CEREMONY, MR. CHAN STRESSED THE TREMENDOUS CAREER AND PROMOTION OPPORTUNITIES NOW AVAILABLE IN THE DEPARTMENT FOR GOOD QUALITY AND SUITABLY QUALIFIED MEN AND WOMEN.

+I CAN SAY WITH CONFIDENCE THAT, IF YOU ARE OF THE RIGHT CALIBRE AND WILL MAKE THE EFFORT, YOU CAN LOOK FORWARD TO A VERY SUCCESSFUL CAREER IN TODAY'S PRISON SERVICE+.

WITH PROPER QUALIFICATIONS, INCLUDING THOSE GAINED DURING THEIR SERVICE, ASSISTANT PRISON OFFICERS CAN BE APPOINTED AS CADETS AT ANY TIME DURING THEIR SERVICE, WITH THE PROSPECT OF BEING PROMOTED TO OFFICER RANK. THIS NORMALLY FOLLOWS ONE YEAR CADET TRAINING AND A PERIOD OF PROBATION.

THOSE WHO RECEIVED THEIR LETTERS OF APPOINTMENT TODAY ARE AGED FROM 22 TO 37.

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COOKED FOOD CENTRE FOR TSUEN WAN

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CONSTRUCTION WORK WILL SOON START ON A NEW COOKED FOOD CENTRE AT CHAI WAN KOK, TSUEN WAN.

THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT HAS INVITED TENDERS FOR THE WORK ON THE CENTRE WHICH WILL ACCOMMODATE 26 LICENSED STALL HOLDERS.

AT PRESENT THE STALL HOLDERS ARE OPERATING AT A SITE WHICH IS REQUIRED FOR THE SECOND STAGE OF TUEN MUN ROAD.

TWO CONTRACTS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SECOND CARRIAGEWAY OF THE TUEN MUN ROAD HAVE BEEN LET, AND ANOTHER TWO WILL BE AWARDED IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS.

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TENDERS INVITED FOR TENANCY OF A KWUN TONG SITE
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THE P.W.D.'S CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE TENANCY OF A SITE IN KWUN TONG.

THE 2,416 SQUARE-METRE SITE, LOCATED AT THE JUNCTION OF HOI YUEN ROAD AND SHING YIP STREET, IS FOR OPEN STORAGE, INCLUDING THAT FOR VEHICLES.

THE CLOSING DATE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF TENDERS IS AT NOON ON JULY 14, 1978.

FORM OF TENDER, TENDER NOTICE AND CONDITIONS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, AT MURRAY BUILDING, 19TH FLOOR, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG, OR ON THE 10TH FLOOR, KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 405 NATHAN ROAD.

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AKERS-JONES RETURNS FROM LEAVE
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THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR. DAVID AKERS-JONES, HAS RETURNED FROM HIS ANNUAL LEAVE AND WILL BE BACK TO WORK TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY).

MR. JOHN TODD, WHO HAS BEEN ACTING SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, WILL NOW RESUME HIS POST AS DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES.

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NEW BUILDING FOR PORT WORKS DEPOT

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A DEPOT BUILDING WILL BE BUILT SHORTLY FOR THE PORT WORKS DIVISION OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT IN CAUSEWAY BAY.

THE TWO-STOREY BUILDING WILL REPLACE THE EXISTING ONE WHICH WILL SOON BE DEMOLISHED TO MAKE WAY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF STAGE ONE OF THE HONG KONG ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR.

TENDERS FOR THE WORK ARE BEING INVITED BY THE HIGHWAYS OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

DR. Y.L. CHOI, CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE CONSULTANTS MANAGEMENT DIVISION OF THE HIGHWAYS OFFICE, SAID WORK WOULD BEGIN IN AUGUST AND TAKE ABOUT 10 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

+ON COMPLETION, THE EXISTING PORT WORKS DEPOT FACILITIES WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE NEW BUILDING,+ HE SAID.

+THIS WILL ENABLE THE SITE OF THE EXISTING BUILDING TO BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR THE SLIPROAD WHICH FORMS PART OF STAGE ONE OF THE EASTERN CORRIDOR.+

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RE-ROUTING OF TUNG CHAU STREET

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT FROM 10 A.M. TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY), TUNG CHAU STREET, BETWEEN PEI HO STREET AND YEN CHOW STREET IN THE SHAM SHUI PO AREA WILL BE RE-ROUTED FROM ONE-WAY EASTBOUND TO ONE-WAY WESTBOUND.

MOTORISTS SHOULD ENTER THIS SECTION OF STREET EITHER THROUGH PEI HO STREET OR KWEILIN STREET.

THE ARRANGEMENT IS INTENDED TO FACILITATE THE RECLAMATION WORKS SOON TO START SOUTH OF TUNG CHAU STREET.

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE SET UP TO INDICATE THE ARRANGEMENT.

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