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RECORD NUMBER OF DISABLED PLACED IN JOBS
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THE SELECTIVE PLACEMENT DIVISION OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT PLACED A RECORD NUMBER OF HANDICAPPED PERSONS IN EMPLOYMENT IN 1986.

DURING THE YEAR, 1 000 DISABLED PERSONS WERE FOUND JOBS IN BOTH THE PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SECTORS THROUGH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE DIVISION, COMPARED WITH 790 IN 1985.

OF THE TOTAL, 460 WERE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED, 287 DEAF, 110 EX-MENTALLY ILL, 90 MENTALLY RETARDED AND 53 BLIND.

ACCORDING TO THE SENIOR LABOUR OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE DIVISION, MR HOUDINI HO, THE MOST ENCOURAGING RESULT WAS ACHIEVED IN THE PLACEMENT OF EX-MENTALLY ILL AND MENTALLY RETARDED GROUPS WHICH REGISTERED A 150 PER CENT AND 25 PER CENT INCREASE RESPECTIVELY OVER THE FIGURES FOR 1985.

+THIS INDICATES A MORE POSITIVE CHANGE IN ATTITUDE AMONG EMPLOYERS IN TAKING ON SUCH PERSONS, AND A READY WILLINGNESS TO GIVE THEM A FAIR CHANCE,+ MR HO SAID.

THE SELECTIVE PLACEMENT DIVISION, WHICH WAS SET UP WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT IN 1980, PROVIDES A FREE EMPLOYMENT PLACEMENT SERVICE TO PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED OR MENTALLY DISABLED PERSONS WHO WISH TO SEEK EMPLOYMENT IN THE OPEN MARKET.

IT ALSO SERVES EMPLOYERS WHO WISH TO EMPLOY WORKERS WHO ARE CAPABLE ALTHOUGH DISABLED.

+IN FACT, THE DIVISION HAS OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS BROUGHT MANY EMPLOYERS AND DISABLED EMPLOYEES TOGETHER,+ MR HO SAID.

+AND MANY EMPLOYERS HAVE BEEN EMPLOYING DISABLED WORKERS REGULARLY THROUGH US AFTER A SUCCESSFUL PLACEMENT OF SERVICE.

+THESE EMPLOYERS ARE HAPPY BECAUSE THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR DISABLED WORKERS IS FOUND ON A PAR WITH THEIR ABLED-BODIES EMPLOYEES.+

MR HO CALLED ON EMPLOYERS TO HELP PLACE THE DISABLED IN EMPLOYMENT AS +THIS IS AN ACT OF GOOD FELLOWSHIP AND A VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS OUR COMMUNITY+.

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500 TO ATTEND KWAI TSING SPRING RECEPTION
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MORE THAN 500 KWAI TSING RESIDENTS, MUTUAL AID COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS WILL ATTEND A SPRING RECEPTION ON THURSDAY (FEBRUARY 5).

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT OFFICE SPRING RECEPTION WILL BE THE ACTING SECRETARY FOR THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION, DR JAMES HAYES.

ALSO PRESENT WILL BE THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT OFFICER, MR BRIAN COAK, KWAI CHUNG AND TSING YI DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR HO TUNG-CHING, BOARD MEMBERS AND CHAIRMAN OF THE AREA COMMITTEES IN THE DISTRICT.

DURING THE CEREMONY, DR HAYES WILL PRESENT CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION TO 14 PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN WORKING CONTINUOUSLY FOR OVER TEN YEARS TOWARDS THE GOOD OF THE DISTRICT.

THE RECEPTION WILL BE HELD IN A LOCAL RESTAURANT.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT OFFICE SPRING RECEPTION STARTING AT 4.45 PM ON THURSDAY AT KWAI HING HSIEN KUANG RESTAURANT (NEXT TO KWAI HING MTR STATION), HING FONG ROAD, KWAI CHUNG.

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SPRING RECEPTION FOR CENTRAL AND WESTERN
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THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE WILL HOLD ITS ANNUAL SPRING RECEPTION TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY).

THE RECEPTION WILL BE HELD FROM 3.30 PM TO 5.30 PM AT THE EXHIBITION HALL, LEVEL 2, SHUN TAK SHOPPING MALL, 200 CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL.

MORE THAN 600 DISTRICT LEADERS, DISTRICT BOARD AND AREA COMMITTEE MEMBERS AS WELL AS GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, INCLUDING THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR T.H. CHAU, WILL ATTEND THE FUNCTION.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE SPRING RECEPTION.

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WAN CHAI DO HOLDING SPRING RECEPTION
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THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICE WILL HOLD A SPRING RECEPTION FOR DISTRICT BOARD AND AREA COMMITTEE MEMBERS AS WELL AS LOCAL COMMUNITY LEADERS TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY).

THE RECEPTION WILL START AT 4 PM AT THE HOPEWELL CITY RESTAURANT AT 183 QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.

THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR T.H. CHAU, WILL ATTEND.

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NOTE TO EDITORS :

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE RECEPTION. MR CHAU IS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE AT 5 PM.

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SHA TIN DB COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS FUNDING
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THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD'S CULTURE AND SPORTS COMMITTEE WILL MEET TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) TO DISCUSS APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDS IN 1987-88.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO RESUME DISCUSSION ON THE SHA TIN FESTIVAL, FESTIVE LIGHTING AND CO-OPTED MEMBERSHIP.

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NOTE TO EDITORS :

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD CULTURE AND SPORTS COMMITTEE MEETING TO BE HELD TOMORROW AT 9.30 AM AT THE SIXTH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICE, KCR HOUSE.

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DISTANCE RUN FOR YAU MA TEI RESIDENTS

RESIDENTS IN YAU MA TEI DISTRICT ARE INVITED TO TAKE PART IN A LONG DISTANCE RUN TO BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 8 (SUNDAY).

PARTICIPANTS WILL START THE RACE AT GUN CLUB HILL BARRACKS AND RUN ALONG AUSTIN ROAD, COX'S ROAD, JORDAN ROAD AND GASCOIGNE ROAD BEFORE RETURNING TO THE STARTING POINT.

THOSE TAKING PART IN THE MEN'S SENIOR AND INTERMEDIATE SECTIONS WILL COMPLETE A DISTANCE OF 4.5 KILOMETRES WHILE THOSE IN THE WOMEN'S OPEN AND MEN'S JUNIOR SECTIONS WILL COVER THREE KILOMETRES.

WINNERS IN EACH SECTION WILL BE AWARDED PRIZES.

SPONSORED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD, THE EVENT IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE YAU MA TEI AND TSIM SHA TSUI RECREATION AND SPORTS ASSOCIATION AND THE URBAN COUNCIL.

APPLICATIONS FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE YAU MA TEI DISTRICT OFFICE AT 490 NATHAN ROAD AND THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S RECREATION, AMENITIES AND SPORTS OFFICE AT 18 CAMERON ROAD, FIFTH FLOOR, KOWLOON.

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NEW ROAD TO SERVE AP LEI CHAU

WORK HAS BEGUN ON BUILDING A 650-METRES-LONG ROAD ON AP LEI CHAU EAST RECLAMATION.

THE HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT RECENTLY AWARDED A \$5 MILLION CONTRACT FOR THE 12-MONTH PROJECT.

THE ROAD, TOGETHER WITH ASSOCIATED STORMWATER AND SEWER DRAINS, WILL SERVE PROPOSED BOATYARDS ON THE EAST OF THE ISLAND.

IT WILL ALSO PROVIDE ACCESS TO FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS IN THE AREA.

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NEW ROAD OPENS IN TUEN MUN
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FROM 10 AM ON FRIDAY (FEBRUARY 6), THE NEW ROAD 5E BETWEEN CHOY YEE BRIDGE AND TSUN WEN ROAD IN TUEN MUN WILL BE OPENED TO TRAFFIC.

WITH THE OPENING OF THIS NEW ROAD, CHOY YEE BRIDGE WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC.

MOTORISTS HEADING FOR TUEN MUN TOWN CENTRE MAY USE ROAD 5E, TSUN WEN ROAD, PUI TO ROAD AND TUEN MUN HEUNG SZE WUI ROAD.

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URBAN CLEARWAY RESTRICTION IN CAUSEWAY BAY
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FROM 10 AM ON FRIDAY (FEBRUARY 6), THE FLYOVER LEADING FROM HUNG HING ROAD TO VICTORIA PARK ROAD IN CAUSEWAY BAY WILL BE MADE A 24-HOUR DAILY URBAN CLEARWAY.

NO VEHICLES OTHER THAN FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP WITHIN THE FLYOVER FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS.

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