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PROVISIONAL TRADE FIGURES FOR OCTOBER RELEASED

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THE MODEST PERFORMANCE OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS CONTINUED IN OCTOBER, WHILE THE GROWTH IN RE-EXPORTS REMAINED SIGNIFICANT. THE GROWTH RATE OF IMPORTS WAS RELATIVELY MODERATE, IMPLYING THAT RETAINED IMPORTS CONTINUED TO BE ON A DECLINE.

THIS IS SHOWN IN THE PROVISIONAL TRADE FIGURES RELEASED TODAY (SATURDAY) BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

THE VALUE OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS IN OCTOBER 1989 WAS \$20,849 MILLION, \$783 MILLION OR 3.9 PER CENT HIGHER THAN IN OCTOBER 1988, WHILE THE VALUE OF RE-EXPORTS INCREASED BY \$5,357 MILLION OR 20.1 PER CENT TO \$31,985 MILLION.

THE VALUE OF TOTAL EXPORTS (DOMESTIC EXPORTS PLUS RE-EXPORTS), AT \$52,834 MILLION IN OCTOBER 1989, WAS THUS \$6,140 MILLION OR 13.1 PER CENT HIGHER THAN IN OCTOBER 1988.

THE VALUE OF IMPORTS GREW BY 6.5 PER CENT OR \$2,993 MILLION OVER A YEAR EARLIER, TO \$48,779 MILLION IN OCTOBER 1989.

AS THE GROWTH RATE OF IMPORTS WAS SLOWER THAN THAT OF TOTAL EXPORTS, A VISIBLE TRADE SURPLUS OF \$4,055 MILLION, EQUIVALENT TO 8.3 PER CENT OF THE VALUE OF IMPORTS, WAS RECORDED IN OCTOBER 1989.

THIS COMPARES WITH A SURPLUS OF \$908 MILLION, EQUIVALENT TO 2.0 PER CENT OF THE VALUE OF IMPORTS, RECORDED IN OCTOBER 1988. THE SURPLUSES RECORDED IN OCTOBER WERE, IN PART, DUE TO SEASONAL FACTORS.

PUTTING THESE TRADE FIGURES IN PERSPECTIVE, THE VALUE OF TOTAL EXPORTS IN THE FIRST 10 MONTHS OF 1989 WAS \$471,549 MILLION, MADE UP OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS OF \$184,776 MILLION AND RE-EXPORTS OF \$286,773 MILLION.

COMPARED WITH THE FIRST 10 MONTHS OF 1988, IN VALUE TERMS TOTAL EXPORTS GREW BY \$75,534 MILLION OR 19.1 PER CENT, DOMESTIC EXPORTS BY \$8,337 MILLION OR 4.7 PER CENT, AND RE-EXPORTS BY \$67,197 MILLION OR 30.6 PER CENT. OVER THE SAME PERIOD, THE VALUE OF IMPORTS GREW BY \$68,620 MILLION OR 17.1 PER CENT, TO \$469,009 MILLION.

A VISIBLE TRADE SURPLUS OF \$2,540 MILLION, EQUIVALENT TO 0.5 PER CENT OF THE VALUE OF IMPORTS, WAS RECORDED IN THE FIRST 10 MONTHS OF 1989. THIS COMPARES WITH A DEFICIT OF \$4,374 MILLION, EQUIVALENT TO 1.1 PER CENT OF THE VALUE OF IMPORTS, RECORDED IN THE FIRST 10 MONTHS OF 1988.

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COMMENTING ON THESE FIGURES, A GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE PERFORMANCE OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS HAD REMAINED MODEST SINCE MAY.

THE YEAR-ON-YEAR GROWTH RATES IN VALUE TERMS OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS IN RECENT MONTHS WERE: 4.8 PER CENT IN JULY, 2.7 PER CENT IN AUGUST, -2.2 PER CENT IN SEPTEMBER, AND 3.9 PER CENT IN OCTOBER. AFTER DISCOUNTING A CORRESPONDING PRICE INCREASE OF AROUND 3 PER CENT, THERE WAS GENERALLY LITTLE GROWTH IN REAL TERMS.

ON THE OTHER HAND, EVEN AMIDST SOME DECELERATION IN RECENT MONTH THE GROWTH RATE OF RE-EXPORTS WAS STILL SIGNIFICANT. RE-EXPORTS OF CHINA ORIGIN, IN PARTICULAR, HAD PROBABLY CONTINUED TO SHOW STRONG GROWTH.

THE SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT, ON A YEAR-ON-YEAR COMPARISON, THE VALUE OF RETAINED IMPORTS HAD BEEN ON A SIGNIFICANT DECLINE FOR SEVERAL MONTHS. THIS SUGGESTED THAT DOMESTIC DEMAND WAS CONTINUING TO SLACKEN.

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## TRADE FIGURES-FOR OCTOBER, 1989

The Census and Statistics Department has released the following provisional merchandise trade figures for October:-

MERCHANDISE:	Domestic Exports :	\$20,849 million	
	Re-exports :	\$31,985 million	
	Total Exports :	\$52,834 million	
	Imports :	\$48,779 million	
	Trade balance :	\$4,055 million	[in surplus]

## COMPARATIVE FIGURES

Latest 3 months	Aug 89 to	Aug 88 to	Increase	
	Oct 89	Oct 88	HK\$ Mn.	%
	HK\$ Mn.	HK\$ Mn.		
Domestic Exports	61,615	60,686	929	1.5
Re-exports	94,246	78,280	15,966	20.4
Total Exports	155,861	138,966	16,895	12.2
Imports	143,663	134,304	9,359	7.0
Trade balance	12,198	4,662	7,536	

Same month last year	October	October	Increase	
	1989	1988	HK\$ Mn.	%
	HK\$ Mn.	HK\$ Mn.		
Domestic Exports	20,849	20,066	783	3.9
(% of Total Exports)	(39.5%)	(43.0%)		
Re-exports	31,985	26,628	5,357	20.1
Total Exports	52,834	46,694	6,140	13.1
Imports	48,779	45,786	2,993	6.5
Trade balance	4,055	908	3,147	

Last month	October	September	Increase	
	1989	1989	HK\$ Mn.	%
	HK\$ Mn.	HK\$ Mn.		
Domestic Exports	20,849	19,542	1,307	6.7
(% of Total Exports)	(39.5%)	(39.1%)		
Re-exports	31,985	30,435	1,550	5.1
Total Exports	52,834	49,977	2,857	5.7
Imports	48,779	46,908	1,871	4.0
Trade balance	4,055	3,069	986	

Calendar year to-date	Jan-Oct	Jan-Oct	Increase	
	1989	1988	HK\$ Mn.	%
	HK\$ Mn.	HK\$ Mn.		
Domestic Exports	184,776	176,439	8,337	4.7
(% of Total Exports)	(39.2%)	(44.6%)		
Re-exports	286,773	219,576	67,197	30.6
Total Exports	471,549	396,015	75,534	19.1
Imports	469,009	400,389	68,620	17.1
Trade balance	2,540	-4,374	6,914	

Last 12 months	Nov 88 to	Nov 87 to	Increase	
	Oct 89	Oct 88	HK\$ Mn.	%
	HK\$ Mn.	HK\$ Mn.		
Domestic Exports	226,001	212,366	13,635	6.4
Re-exports	342,603	256,198	86,405	33.7
Total Exports	568,604	468,564	100,040	21.4
Imports	567,418	473,477	93,941	19.8
Trade balance	1,186	-4,913	6,099	

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CONSTRUCTIVE LINE IN MEETING POLLUTION WHITE PAPER COMMITMENTS

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THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT (EPD) IS LOOKING FOR ALTERNATIVE WAYS OF MEETING THE COMMITMENTS IN THE WHITE PAPER ON POLLUTION WHICH WOULD REQUIRE LESS STAFF BECAUSE OF THE CLAMP-DOWN ON RECRUITMENT IN THE CIVIL SERVICE. THE DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DR STUART REED, SAID THIS (SATURDAY) EVENING.

SPEAKING AT THE ANNUAL DINNER OF THE HONG KONG INSTITUTE OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS, DR REED REFERRED TO THE GOVERNMENT'S ANNOUNCEMENT THAT THERE WOULD BE RESOLUTE ACTION TO TRIM GROWTH IN THE CIVIL SERVICE TO TWO PER CENT PER YEAR.

DR REED SAID HE WOULD EXPECT RATHER MORE GENEROUS TREATMENT FOR HIS DEPARTMENT, SINCE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION HAD BEEN IDENTIFIED AS A PRIORITY AREA FOR GOVERNMENT ACTION.

"BUT BEING REALISTIC, I CANNOT EXPECT THAT THE RESOURCES WILL BE PROVIDED FOR EVERYTHING THAT WE NEED TO DO," HE SAID.

IN ORDER TO CARRY OUT THE PROGRAMMES IN THE WHITE PAPER ON POLLUTION, DR REED SAID MORE DIRECT AND SIMPLE WAYS WOULD HAVE TO BE ADOPTED IF THE REQUIREMENT FOR ADDITIONAL STAFF WERE TO BE REDUCED TO THE MINIMUM. BUT HE WARNED THAT THIS APPROACH WOULD REQUIRE GREATER POLITICAL WILL AND MORE CO-OPERATION FROM THE PRIVATE SECTOR.

GIVING EXAMPLES OF ALTERNATIVES, DR REED SAID THAT THE BAN ON LIVESTOCK KEEPING IN THE URBAN AREAS COULD BE EXTENDED TO SENSITIVE RECREATIONAL AREAS SUCH AS SAI KUNG AND LANTAU AND OTHER OUTLYING ISLANDS.

"THIS WOULD REDUCE SUBSTANTIALLY THE AREA TO BE COVERED BY EPD'S LIVESTOCK WASTE CONTROL STAFF AND ACHIEVE THE SORT OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS THAT WE HAVE ALREADY SEEN IN THE URBAN AREAS, WHERE THE BAN IS CURRENTLY 100 PER CENT EFFECTIVE," HE SAID.

DR REED SAID SMOKY VEHICLES WAS ANOTHER AREA WHERE THE DEPARTMENT COULD REDUCE THE ADDITIONAL STAFF REQUIRED TO GET ON TOP OF THE PROBLEM.

INSTEAD OF LOOKING TO FINANCE BRANCH FOR MORE RESOURCES TO CHECK MORE VEHICLES, FINES COULD BE INTRODUCED FOR VEHICLES THAT WERE SPOTTED AND REPORTED FOR EMITTING EXCESSIVE SMOKE, AND THESE VEHICLES COULD BE REQUIRED TO REPORT FOR TESTING TO AN AUTHORISED PRIVATE SECTOR GARAGE, RATHER THAN TO THE EPD'S OWN TESTING CENTRE.

OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL MEASURES THAT WOULD LEAD TO A REDUCED NEED FOR ADDITIONAL STAFF, IN PARTICULAR, WERE THE VERY IMPORTANT PROPOSALS TO REDUCE THE SULPHUR LEVEL IN FUEL OIL TO 0.5 PER CENT AND TO REMOVE FROM THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ORDINANCE THE CONCESSION THAT ALLOWED EXISTING POLLUTERS TO CONTINUE POLLUTING.

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ONE FINAL WAY IN WHICH THE EPD COULD REDUCE THE FUTURE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL STAFF, DR REED SAID, WAS BY PLACING MUCH MORE OF THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR POLLUTION CONTROL ON THE PEOPLE WHO WERE CAUSING THE POLLUTION.

"WE IN EPD ARE ALWAYS BEING PRESSED TO PROVIDE MORE AND MORE DETAILED ADVICE ON POLLUTION CONTROL TO THOSE WHO ARE CREATING THE PROBLEM.

"PROVIDING THIS ADVICE OCCUPIES MUCH SPECIALIST STAFF TIME AND I FEEL A CHANGE OF APPROACH IS NEEDED. WE SHOULD EXPECT INDUSTRIALISTS TO PUT THEIR OWN HOUSE IN ORDER, IF NECESSARY PAYING SOMEONE TO HELP THEM TO DO IT," HE SAID.

"IF WE THINK MORE ALONG THE SORT OF POSITIVE LINES I HAVE INDICATED, RATHER THAN BEMOANING THE FACT THAT WE HAVE INSUFFICIENT STAFF TO CARRY FORWARD OUR PROGRAMMES, THEN I FEEL WE STAND A GOOD CHANCE OF MEETING THE COMMITMENTS IN THE WHITE PAPER AND OF MAKING HONG KONG A MORE HEALTHY AND MORE PLEASANT PLACE IN WHICH TO LIVE," DR REED ADDED.

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DECLINE IN NUMBER OF INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS  
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THERE ARE SIGNS THAT THE UPWARD TREND IN INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS IN RECENT YEARS IS BEING CHECKED IN MOST TRADES.

ACCORDING TO STATISTICS RELEASED BY THE LABOUR ' DEPARTMENT TODAY (SATURDAY), 32,513 INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS, INVOLVING 69 FATALITIES, WERE REPORTED IN THE FIRST THREE QUARTERS OF THIS YEAR, REPRESENTING A DROP OF THREE PER CENT FROM THE 33,396 ACCIDENTS, AND 62 FATALITIES, RECORDED IN THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

THE NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS IN THE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY WAS DOWN BY FIVE PER CENT TO 14,637 AND 11 FATALITIES, WHILE THE MINING, QUARRYING, UTILITIES, TRANSPORT AND SERVICING INDUSTRIES REPORTED 3,190 ACCIDENTS AND 10 DEATHS, A DECREASE OF THREE PER CENT.

THE MOST SIGNIFICANT DECREASE WAS IN THE ELECTRONICS AND PLASTICS INDUSTRIES, WHERE THE NUMBERS OF ACCIDENTS FELL BY 23 PER CENT FROM 899 AND 1,248 TO 693 AND 967 RESPECTIVELY.

HOWEVER, THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY, WHICH ALONE ACCOUNTED FOR 14,686 ACCIDENTS AND 48 FATALITIES, REGISTERED AN INCREASE OF 0.2 PER CENT OVER THE FIRST THREE QUARTERS OF LAST YEAR.

THERE WAS ALSO A SLIGHT INCREASE IN ACCIDENTS IN BOTH THE TEXTILES AND WEARING APPAREL INDUSTRIES DURING THE PERIOD, FROM 2,730 CASES TO 2,895 AND FROM 2,162 CASES TO 2,256.

THE MAJOR CAUSES OF THE ACCIDENTS REMAINED VERY MUCH THE SAME AS THOSE IN PREVIOUS YEARS.

THEY INCLUDED STEPPING ON OR STRIKING AGAINST OBJECTS (10,241 CASES), LIFTING WEIGHTS WITHOUT USING MACHINERY (5,578 CASES), ACCIDENTS INVOLVING MACHINERY (4,989 CASES), FALL OF PERSONS (2,574 CASES), ACCIDENTS INVOLVING HAND TOOLS (2,119 CASES) AND FALLING OBJECTS (1,899 CASES).

OTHERS WERE DUE TO TRANSPORT, HOT OR CORROSIVE SUBSTANCES, EXPLOSION OR FIRE, ELECTRICITY AND SO ON.

OF THE 69 FATAL CASES, 38 INVOLVED WORKERS FALLING FROM A HEIGHT WHILE NINE INVOLVED WORKERS KILLED BY FALLING OBJECTS.

FORTY-EIGHT OF THE FATAL CASES WERE IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY.

OTHER FATALITIES RELATED TO ELECTRICITY (EIGHT CASES), ACCIDENTS INVOLVING MACHINERY (FIVE CASES), EXPLOSION OR FIRE (FOUR CASES), TRANSPORT (TWO CASES), HOT OR CORROSIVE SUBSTANCE (ONE CASE), AND LIFTING WEIGHTS WITHOUT USING MACHINERY (ONE CASE). ONE OTHER CASE IS STILL BEING INVESTIGATED.

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FIRE PREVENTION CAMPAIGN TO START TOMORROW  
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AN EXHIBITION WILL BE HELD TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AT EDINBURGH PLACE IN CENTRAL TO MARK THE LAUNCHING OF THIS YEAR'S FIRE PREVENTION CAMPAIGN.

"THE MAIN THEME OF THIS YEAR'S CAMPAIGN IS ELECTRICAL FAULT WHICH IS REGARDED AS A MAJOR CAUSE OF DOMESTIC AND INDUSTRIAL FIRES." A SPOKESMAN FOR THE FIRE PREVENTION CAMPAIGN PUBLICITY WORKING GROUP SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

"ELECTRICAL FAULTS CAN BE AVOIDED IF REGULAR MAINTENANCE OF POWER POINTS AND APPLIANCES IS CARRIED OUT BY PROFESSIONALS." HE ADDED.

TWO SETS OF DISPLAY PANELS, ONE ON ELECTRIC FAULTS AND THE OTHER ON COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PREVENTION, WILL BE MOUNTED. THERE WILL ALSO BE A LION DANCE AND DEMONSTRATION ON FIRE FIGHTING TECHNIQUES.

A MODERN VESSEL IN THE FIREBOAT FLEET, FIREBOAT NO. 6, WILL BE BERTHED AT QUEEN'S PIER AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO GO ON BOARD TO LOOK AT ITS FACILITIES.

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A FIRE PREVENTION BOOKLET, A DESK CALENDAR AND OTHER SOUVENIRS SPONSORED BY KWONG ON BANK WILL BE DISTRIBUTED.

THE LAUNCHING CEREMONY WILL BEGIN AT 2 PM WITH THE DIRECTOR OF FIRE SERVICES, MR JOHN MARCH, DOTTING THE EYES OF THE LIONS TO MARK THE START OF THIS YEAR'S CAMPAIGN.

OTHER GUESTS ATTENDING THE CEREMONY WILL BE MRS MARCH: PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY (HONG KONG AND KOWLOON) OF THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION, MR RAYMOND WONG: DEPUTY CHIEF FACTORY INSPECTOR OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT, MR CHAN HON-TING: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (SQUATTER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT) OF THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT, MR GREGORY CHAN: DEPUTY CHIEF INSPECTOR OF SCHOOLS OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, MRS KONG LI CHI-HO: AND SENIOR MANAGING DIRECTOR OF KWONG ON BANK LTD., MR KENNETH LEUNG.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE 1989-90 FIRE PREVENTION CAMPAIGN LAUNCHING CEREMONY TO BE HELD AT 2 PM AT EDINBURGH PLACE, CENTRAL. GIS OFFICERS WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST.

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RTHK TRAFFIC CHANNEL BEGINS SERVICE ON MONDAY

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THE NEW TRAFFIC CHANNEL OPERATED BY RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG, RADIO 7, WILL BEGIN SERVICE ON MONDAY, PROVIDING FIRST-HAND TRAFFIC NEWS AND INFORMATION FOR DRIVERS AND OTHER ROAD USERS.

RADIO 7 WILL BROADCAST ON AM 621.

THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF BROADCASTING (RADIO), MR SIMON LUN, SAID 14 GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND PRIVATE ORGANISATIONS WILL BE SUPPORTING THE OPERATION OF RADIO 7.

THESE INCLUDE THE POLICE, THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT, TAXI PAGING CHANNELS AND TUNNEL COMPANIES.

IN ADDITION TO PROVIDING THE LATEST INFORMATION, THE TRAFFIC CHANNEL WILL ALSO CARRY ON-THE-SPOT OBSERVATIONS BY THREE TRAFFIC ANNOUNCERS WHO WILL BE STATIONED AT ELIZABETH HOUSE IN CAUSEWAY BAY, OI MAN ESTATE IN HO MAN TIN AND TIN SUM ESTATE IN SHA TIN, BETWEEN 7.45 AM AND 9 AM.

THE THREE TRAFFIC ANNOUNCERS -- MR HO KAM-KONG, MR CHEUNG WING-HANG AND MR LO HEUNG-CHUEN -- WILL PROVIDE TRAFFIC DETAILS FROM THESE POINTS EVERY 15 MINUTES DURING THIS PEAK-HOUR PERIOD.

THE CHANNEL WILL OPERATE FROM 6 AM TO MIDNIGHT.

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SOCIAL WORKER - A REWARDING PROFESSION

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PART OF THE LETTER READ LIKE THIS: "I DIDN'T LIKE THE STAFF HERE WHEN I FIRST ARRIVED. BUT AFTER ALL THESE DAYS. I'VE COME TO LEARN THAT THEY REALLY CARE FOR US."

THIS IS A LETTER WRITTEN BY A FORMER RESIDENT TO SOCIAL WORKER MRS ANNA MAK. SUPERINTENDENT OF A SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT INSTITUTION.

THE DEPARTMENT HAS SEVEN INSTITUTIONS TO PROVIDE REMAND AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES FOR JUVENILE OFFENDERS AND YOUTH IN NEED OF STATUTORY CARE AND PROTECTION.

"IT GAVE ME QUITE A THRILL WHEN I LEARNT THAT THE EFFORTS WE MADE HAD NOT BEEN WASTED." SHE SAID.

"RESIDENTS IN SWD INSTITUTIONS ARE NOT MUCH DIFFERENT FROM OTHER TEENAGERS WHO ARE LEADING A NORMAL LIFE. EXCEPT THAT THE OTHERS ARE TAKEN CARE OF IN THEIR FAMILY.

"WHAT WE ARE TRYING TO DO IS TO PROVIDE CHARACTER TRAINING IN A RESIDENTIAL SETTING WITH A VIEW TO CHANGING THEIR BEHAVIOUR AND SOCIAL ATTITUDE THROUGH SOCIAL WORK TECHNIQUES AND SKILLS." SHE SAID.

OUTLINING THE TRAINING PROGRAMMES IN THE INSTITUTIONS, SHE SAID THEY COVERED THREE MAJOR ASPECTS, NAMELY MORAL, ACADEMIC AND PREVOCATIONAL TRAINING.

"AS RESIDENTS ARE MOSTLY REBELLIOUS ADOLESCENTS WITH DEVIANT BEHAVIOUR. MORAL TRAINING IS STRONGLY EMPHASISED.

"THEY WOULD BE HELPED TO ADOPT A SET OF POSITIVE AND SOCIALLY ACCEPTABLE VALUES. BEHAVIOUR AND ATTITUDE THROUGH CASEWORK COUNSELLING AND GROUP WORK APPROACHES." SHE ADDED.

ON PREVOCATIONAL TRAINING. MRS MAK SAID THE PROGRAMME AIMED AT PROVIDING BASIC TRADE KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS TO RESIDENTS AND CULTIVATING IN THEM A POSITIVE WORK ATTITUDE.

"SINCE SEPTEMBER LAST YEAR, QUALIFIED TEACHERS HAVE BEEN EMPLOYED TO ASSIST OUR RESIDENTS IN THEIR ACADEMIC PURSUITS." MRS MAK SAID.

"THE SCHEME HAS GAINED FULL SUPPORT OF OUR SOCIAL WORK STAFF. WE THINK IT IS IDEAL THAT ACADEMIC TEACHING CAN BE ENTRUSTED TO QUALIFIED TEACHERS. THUS RELEASING SOCIAL WORK STAFF TO CONCENTRATE ON COUNSELLING AND RELATED SERVICES.

"WE ARE STILL IN THE PROCESS OF WORKING OUT AN EFFECTIVE AND PRACTICABLE SYSTEM. WHEN NEW MEASURES ARE INTRODUCED. IT IS COMMON FOR ALL PARTIES. TEACHERS AND SOCIAL WORKERS, TO ALLOW TIME FOR ADJUSTMENT." MRS MAK SAID.

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APART FROM THE ABOVE TRAINING PROGRAMMES, MRS MAK SAID OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES SUCH AS CAMPING, OUTINGS AND OBSERVATIONAL VISITS WERE REGULARLY ORGANISED.

"OUR AIM IS TO HELP THESE TEENAGERS REINTEGRATE INTO THE COMMUNITY. BUT WHETHER THE GOAL CAN BE ACHIEVED DEPENDS LARGELY ON THE ATTITUDE OF THEIR FAMILY AND THE PUBLIC." MRS MAK CONTINUED.

SHE CALLED ON THE PUBLIC TO UNDERSTAND AND ACCEPT THESE TEENAGERS.

"ONLY BY SHOWING OUR UNDERSTANDING AND CARE CAN THESE CHILDREN BE PREVENTED FROM GOING ASTRAY." SHE SAID.

NOTING THAT SOCIAL WORKERS IN THE INSTITUTION WERE WORKING ON SHIFT DUTY. SHE SAID THEY HAD TO ASSUME THE ROLE OF GUARDIAN OF THE RESIDENTS, LOOKING AFTER THEIR DAILY LIVES APART FROM ATTENDING TO THEIR NEEDS FOR COUNSELLING AND GUIDANCE.

"THAT IS A DEMANDING AND CHALLENGING JOB," SHE SAID.

COMMENTING ON WHETHER IRREGULAR WORKING HOURS AND THE DEMANDING JOB NATURE OF AN INSTITUTION WOULD INTERFERE WITH WORKERS' FAMILY AND SOCIAL LIFE. MRS MAK SAID: "WORKERS IN RESIDENTIAL INSTITUTIONS DO NEED MORAL SUPPORT FROM THEIR FAMILY AS WELL AS THEIR COLLEAGUES.

"I AM LUCKY TO HAVE A TEAM OF WORKERS WITH IDEALS AND GREAT DEDICATION IN THEIR WORK.

"I REALLY ENJOY MY WORK THOUGH I DID HAVE A RATHER PAINSTAKING ADJUSTMENT PERIOD WHEN I FIRST ARRIVED HERE." SHE SAID.

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#### RETURN OF MIGRANTS WILL BE WELCOME

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IT IS ENCOURAGING TO LEARN THAT MORE AND MORE FORMER HONG KONG RESIDENTS WHO HAVE MIGRATED ABROAD ARE THINKING OF RETURNING TO THE TERRITORY AND RE-ESTABLISHING THEIR BUSINESSES HERE. THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR DAVID LAN, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

MR LAN MADE THE REMARK DURING A MEETING WITH TWO MEMBERS OF THE TORONTO CHINESE BUSINESS ASSOCIATION. MR HERBERT CHANG AND MR JOSEPH AU-YEUNG, WHO ARE IN HONG KONG ON A BUSINESS TRIP.

THE REGIONAL SECRETARY SAID THIS WAS PARTICULARLY HEARTENING BECAUSE EMIGRATION FROM HONG KONG WAS LIKELY TO CONTINUE AT A HIGH LEVEL IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS AND IT WAS IMPERATIVE THAT MEASURES BE TAKEN TO FILL THE GAPS LEFT BEHIND BY THOSE LEAVING.

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"APART FROM ELEVATING SUITABLE PEOPLE FROM WITHIN HONG KONG, A MOST OBVIOUS POTENTIAL SOURCE OF TALENTS IS, OF COURSE, OUR FORMER RESIDENTS BECAUSE THEY ALREADY KNOW HOW HONG KONG OPERATES AND WILL HAVE NO PROBLEM IN ADOPTING TO THE LOCAL ENVIRONMENT.

"THE GOVERNMENT AND MANY LOCAL COMPANIES ARE ALREADY RECRUITING FROM CHINESE COMMUNITIES IN THE UNITED STATES, CANADA AND AUSTRALIA. ACTIVE CONSIDERATION IS BEING GIVEN AS TO WHAT CAN BE DONE TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR THESE PEOPLE TO RETURN AND TO STAY," MR LAN SAID.

MR CHENG, WHO IS ALSO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MANDARIN CLUB IN TORONTO, TOLD THE REGIONAL SECRETARY THAT MORE AND MORE FORMER HONG KONG RESIDENTS IN TORONTO AND ELSEWHERE ARE PAYING MORE FREQUENT VISITS TO THE TERRITORY AND ARE MAKING ENQUIRIES ABOUT NEW BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES HERE.

MR LAN SAID IT WAS ONLY NATURAL THAT PEOPLE WHO WERE BORN AND BROUGHT UP IN HONG KONG WOULD REMAIN STRONGLY ATTACHED TO THE TERRITORY AS MANY OF THEM STILL HAVE RELATIVES AND FRIENDS HERE. IT WAS HARDLY SURPRISING THAT SOME OF THEM WOULD CHOOSE TO RETURN, HE SAID, ADDING THAT THEY WOULD OF COURSE BE WARMLY WELCOMED.

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ELDERLY PEOPLE STILL FULL OF VITALITY

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ELDERLY PEOPLE CAN STILL BE FULL OF VITALITY AND LEAD AN EVENTFUL LIFE. THE REGIONAL OFFICER (EAST KOWLOON) OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT, MR LOK MAN-PAN, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF A HEALTH PROMOTION PROGRAMME FOR THE ELDERLY IN KWUN TONG, MR LOK SAID TO ACHIEVE THIS THE ELDERLY MUST STRIVE TO REMAIN FIT BOTH PHYSICALLY AND MENTALLY.

"IT IS ALSO NECESSARY FOR THEM TO LIVE AN ACTIVE SOCIAL LIFE AND TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE COMMUNITY."

HE ADVISED THE ELDERLY TO PAY MORE ATTENTION TO NUTRITION, HAVE ADEQUATE EXERCISE, AND CULTIVATE SOME INTERESTS.

THE PROGRAMME IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT ELDERLY SERVICE JOINT FUNCTION COMMITTEE AND KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD TO AROUSE ELDERLY PEOPLE'S AWARENESS OF HEALTH CARE AND THE PUBLIC'S CONCERN FOR THE ELDERLY.

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VISITORS TAKE LUNG FUNCTION TEST AT EXHIBITION

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PEOPLE VISITING THE "OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH PERSPECTIVE: CONSTRUCTION AND QUARRYING INDUSTRIES" EXHIBITION IN SHA TIN HAVE SHOWN GREAT INTEREST IN TRYING THE FREE LUNG FUNCTION TEST.

WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF NURSING STAFF FROM THE OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH DIVISION OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT, VISITORS TESTED THEIR LUNG FUNCTION AND CHECKED THE STATE OF THEIR HEALTH BY USING A SPIROMETER.

THE EXHIBITION, WHICH IS ORGANISED BY THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT AND CO-ORGANISED BY THE OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH COUNCIL, IS OPEN FROM 10 AM TO 7 PM DAILY UNTIL TUESDAY (NOVEMBER 28) AT THE NEW TOWN PLAZA IN SHA TIN.

IT FEATURES PHOTOGRAPHS AND SAMPLES ILLUSTRATING THE VARIOUS OCCUPATIONAL DISEASES AND HAZARDS FREQUENTLY FOUND IN THE CONSTRUCTION AND QUARRYING INDUSTRIES.

THESE INCLUDE SILICOSIS, ASBESTOSIS, CONTACT DERMATITIS, POISONING CAUSED BY ORGANIC SOLVENTS AS WELL AS DEAFNESS CAUSED BY NOISE.

IN ADDITION TO SLIDE SHOWS, A NEWLY-PRODUCED 18-MINUTE VIDEO ON SILICOSIS IS BEING SCREENED TO EXPLAIN THE CAUSES OF THE DISEASE AND THE PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES THAT CAN BE TAKEN.

VISITORS CAN ALSO OBTAIN INFORMATION ON SOME 1,000 CHEMICALS COMMONLY USED IN LOCAL INDUSTRIES FROM A COMPUTER TOXICOLOGY DATA BANK.

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CLEAN COUNTRYSIDE CONCERT TO BE HELD TOMORROW

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A CLEAN COUNTRYSIDE CONCERT, ORGANISED BY THE JOINT URBAN COUNCIL/REGIONAL COUNCIL KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN STEERING COMMITTEE, WILL BE HELD TOMORROW (SUNDAY), BEGINNING AT 1.30 PM AT HOK TAU, PAT SIN LENG COUNTRY PARK.

DURING THE CONCERT, KEEP CLEAN MESSAGES WILL BE DISSEMINATED THROUGH A VARIETY OF PERFORMANCES BY POPULAR SINGERS AND THROUGH GAMES WITH THE SPECTATORS.

THE AUDIENCE WILL BE REMINDED IN PARTICULAR OF THE NEED TO DISPOSE OF REFUSE PROPERLY AFTER ENJOYING VARIOUS FACILITIES AT THE COUNTRY PARKS.

THE PROGRAMME WILL BE PRODUCED AND BROADCAST LIVE BY COMMERCIAL RADIO I FROM 2 PM TO 3 PM.

/THE CHAIRMAN .....

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNTRY PARK BOARD AND MEMBER OF THE KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN STEERING COMMITTEE. MR CARLOS CHEUNG HON-KAU. MEMBER OF THE URBAN COUNCIL'S PUBLIC HEALTH SELECT COMMITTEE. MR LAM CHAK-PIU. AND DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES. DR LAWRENCE LEE. WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CLEAN COUNTRYSIDE CONCERT TO BEGIN AT 1.30 PM TOMORROW (SUNDAY).

A VAN (RC4633) WILL PICK UP REPORTERS AT MIDDLE ROAD. TSIM SHA TSUI (BEHIND PENINSULA HOTEL) AND LEAVE FOR HOK TAU. PAT SIN LENG COUNTRY PARK AT 11.45 AM SHARP. GIS OFFICERS WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST.

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NEW MEDICAL LIBRARY IN QMH OPENS

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LIBRARY FACILITIES FOR STAFF OF THE HOSPITAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT HAVE BEEN FURTHER IMPROVED WITH THE OPENING OF A NEW MEDICAL LIBRARY IN QUEEN MARY HOSPITAL.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE HOSPITAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT SAID THE NEW LIBRARY, WHICH IS LOCATED AT THE QMH EXTENSION, IS THE LARGEST MEDICAL LIBRARY UNDER THE HOSPITAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT AT PRESENT.

"THE NEW LIBRARY OCCUPIES AN AREA OF 535 SQUARE METRES, AND INITIALLY IT CONTAINS SOME 2,500 VOLUMES OF BOOKS, 212 TITLES OF JOURNALS AND 100 ITEMS OF AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS INCLUDING VIDEO CASSETTE TAPES, AUDIO CASSETTE TAPES, SOUND SLIDE PROGRAMMES, MICROFILM AS WELL AS MICROFICHES.

"MORE BOOKS AND AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS ARE BEING PROCESSED AND ADDED TO THE LIBRARY STOCK." THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE LIBRARY PROVIDES A TOTAL OF 75 SEATS, OF WHICH 50 ARE STUDY CARRELS WHICH WOULD ENABLE LIBRARY USERS TO READ IN A QUIET ENVIRONMENT.

THE SPOKESMAN NOTED THAT THE LIBRARY WOULD CATER MAINLY TO THE INFORMATION NEEDS OF QMH STAFF, BUT OTHER STAFF OF THE HOSPITAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT WOULD ALSO HAVE ACCESS TO THE MATERIALS.

HE ADDED THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAD PLANS TO SET UP NEW MEDICAL LIBRARIES IN OTHER REGIONAL HOSPITALS.

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"THE TUEN MUN HOSPITAL WILL HOUSE A MEDICAL LIBRARY OF SIMILAR SIZE. BOOKS AND OTHER MATERIALS ARE BEING PURCHASED AND THE LIBRARY IS EXPECTED TO BE OPENED OVER THE NEXT FEW MONTHS." HE SAID.

ACCORDING TO THE DEPARTMENT'S PLAN, ANOTHER NEW MEDICAL LIBRARY WILL BE ESTABLISHED IN QUEEN ELIZABETH HOSPITAL AROUND SUMMER NEXT YEAR, AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THE HOSPITAL EXTENSION.

THE LIBRARY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME OF THE HOSPITAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT WILL ALSO COVER EXISTING MEDICAL LIBRARIES IN PRINCESS MARGARET HOSPITAL AND CASTLE PEAK HOSPITAL AS WELL AS THE LONG-ESTABLISHED NURSING SCHOOL LIBRARIES.

THE HOSPITAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT NOW HAS 13 MEDICAL LIBRARIES.

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KWAI TSING TO PROMOTE INDUSTRIAL SAFETY

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THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT BOARD WILL HOLD A CARNIVAL AND A SERIES OF EXHIBITIONS TO PROMOTE INDUSTRIAL SAFETY AND HEALTH IN THE DISTRICT.

THE CARNIVAL, WITH TELEMATCHES AND STALL GAMES, WILL BE HELD TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AT THE HING FONG ROAD PLAYGROUND. IT WILL BEGIN AT 2 PM.

FIVE EXHIBITIONS WILL BE HELD AT SEPARATE LOCATIONS BETWEEN NOVEMBER 30 AND DECEMBER 17.

THE DISTRICT BOARD HAS ALLOCATED ABOUT \$150,000 FOR THE ACTIVITIES.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE CARNIVAL TOMORROW WILL BE KWAI TSING DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR LEE WING-TAT; CHAIRMAN OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE RIGHTS OF INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENT VICTIMS, MR LAU CHIN-SHEK; MEMBER OF THE OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH COUNCIL, MR PETER Y.T. CHEUNG; CHIEF FACTORY INSPECTOR OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT, MR YIP YUK-LUN; AND ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER OF KWAI TSING, MR REX W.Y. CHANG.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT INDUSTRIAL SAFETY AND HEALTH CARNIVAL WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 2 PM TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AT THE HING FONG ROAD PLAYGROUND (NEXT TO KWAI FONG MTR STATION).

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BOTTLED DRINKING WATER SAFE FOR CONSUMPTION

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THE HYGIENE ADVISER OF THE MUNICIPAL SERVICES BRANCH, DR M.B. ALI, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY) THAT TESTS ON THE 12 SAMPLES OF BOTTLED DRINKING WATER COLLECTED FROM THE LOCAL MARKET HAD BEEN COMPLETED AND THE WATER HAD PROVED TO BE SUITABLE FOR CONSUMPTION.

THE SAMPLES WERE GATHERED FOR LABORATORY TESTS FOLLOWING REPORTS FROM MACAU THAT TWO BRANDS OF BOTTLED DRINKING WATER FROM HONG KONG SUPPLIERS WERE FOUND TO BE CONTAMINATED WITH BACTERIA.

TEST RESULTS SHOWED THAT ALL OF THE SAMPLES WERE FREE OF COLIFORM ORGANISM.

"STAFF OF THE MUNICIPAL SERVICES BRANCH HAVE ALWAYS BEEN VIGILANT ON FOOD ITEMS AND BEVERAGES ON SALE IN THE LOCAL MARKET FOR PUBLIC HEALTH REASONS," DR ALI SAID.

THE MUNICIPAL SERVICES BRANCH WILL CONTINUE TO MONITOR THE SITUATION.

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TAI PO FISH CULTURE ZONE FACILITIES ON AGENDA

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MEMBERS OF THE TAI PO DISTRICT BOARD'S WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES WILL DISCUSS HOW TO IMPROVE THE FISH CULTURE ZONE FACILITIES IN THE DISTRICT AT THE GROUP'S MEETING ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 27).

THEY WILL ALSO DISCUSS THE GOVERNMENT'S ACTIONS TO DEAL WITH FLOATING REFUSE.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE WORK TARGETS AND THE WORKING GROUP'S MEETING SCHEDULE FOR THE NEXT 18 MONTHS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE MEETING OF THE TAI PO DISTRICT BOARD'S WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES TO BE HELD ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 17) AT THE DISTRICT BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF TAI PO COMMERCIAL CENTRE, 152 KWONG FUK ROAD, TAI PO.

THE MEETING WILL START AT 9.30 AM.

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ORIENTEERING COMPETITION IN SOUTHERN TOMORROW

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TWENTY TEAMS OF ABOUT 60 ORIENTEERING ENTHUSIASTS FROM SOUTHERN DISTRICT WILL PUT THEIR SKILLS TO THE TEST IN A COMPETITION IN THE SCENIC TAI TAM COUNTRY PARK TOMORROW (SUNDAY).

THE "ORIENTEERING IN TAI TAM" COMPETITION IS ORGANISED AS PART OF THE CURRENT SOUTHERN DISTRICT FESTIVAL BY THE DISTRICT FESTIVAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE (DFOC) IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE HONG KONG SCOUT ASSOCIATION AND THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICE.

IT AIMS TO PROMOTE RESIDENTS' INTEREST IN SPORTS PURSUITS.

OFFICIATING AT A STARTING CEREMONY AT 10 AM WILL BE SOUTHERN ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MR DAVID LEUNG; CHAIRMAN OF THE DFOC'S RECREATIONAL AND CULTURAL PROGRAMMES WORKING GROUP, MR JOSEPH CHAN; DFOC MEMBERS MR LAM HON-KEUNG, MR TENNY HUNG AND MR CHAN KWONG; AND A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION.

THE STARTING AND FINISHING POINT IS NEAR THE COUNTRY PARK MANAGEMENT CENTRE IN TAI TAM RESERVOIR ROAD, WHICH IS ABOUT 10 MINUTES' WALK FROM PARKVIEW.

THE TEAMS WILL SET OFF AT INTERVALS TO SEARCH FOR MARKERS BEARING DIFFERENT SCORES IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE PARK ACCORDING TO A MAP TO BE PROVIDED BY THE ORGANISERS.

THE FIVE TEAMS WHICH SCORE THE HIGHEST MARKS WITHIN A SPECIFIED PERIOD WILL BE AWARDED TROPHIES AND SOUVENIRS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE COMPETITION.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE "ORIENTEERING IN TAI TAM" COMPETITION TO BE HELD TOMORROW (SUNDAY) FROM 10 AM TO 1 PM IN TAI TAM COUNTRY PARK.

THE STARTING AND PRIZE-PRESENTATION CEREMONIES WILL BE HELD NEAR THE COUNTRY PARK MANAGEMENT CENTRE IN TAI TAM RESERVOIR ROAD.

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'BE A GOOD CITIZEN' STICKERS

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STICKERS TO HELP PROMOTE CIVIC EDUCATION ARE NOW AVAILABLE FREE OF CHARGE AT THE NORTH DISTRICT ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS.

PREPARED BY THE NORTH DISTRICT STEERING COMMITTEE FOR THE PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION. THE 50,000 SETS OF STICKERS BEAR SIX DIFFERENT THEMES - "KNOW YOUR RIGHTS", "EXERCISE YOUR OBLIGATIONS", "OBEY THE LAW", "SERVE THE COMMUNITY", "HAVE REGARD FOR PUBLIC INTEREST", AND "LOVE YOUR FAMILY".

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE STEERING COMMITTEE SAID TODAY (SATURDAY) THAT THE STICKERS WERE AIMED AT INSTILLING A SENSE OF CIVIC-MINDEDNESS IN A LIGHT-HEARTED, YET EDUCATIONAL WAY.

RESIDENTS CAN OBTAIN THE STICKERS FROM THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE IN JOCKEY CLUB ROAD, FANLING; THE COMMUNITY AFFAIRS BRANCH OFFICE IN CHOI YUEN ESTATE, SHEUNG SHUI; AND THE PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICE CENTRES LOCATED AT SAN FUNG AVENUE, SHEUNG SHUI AND AT CHEUNG WAH ESTATE FANLING.

"SETS OF THE STICKERS ARE ALSO BEING DISTRIBUTED TO LOCAL PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS, AS WELL AS CIVIC EDUCATION GROUPS." THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

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PROMOTING CIVIC EDUCATION THROUGH COMPUTER STUDIES

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ABOUT 100 SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS ATTENDED A SEMINAR ON THE PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION THROUGH COMPUTER STUDIES AT THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S COMPUTER EDUCATION CENTRE TODAY (SATURDAY).

THE SEMINAR, ORGANISED BY THE COMPUTER EDUCATION CENTRE, AIMED TO EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITIES OF PROMOTING CIVIC EDUCATION THROUGH THE TEACHING OF COMPUTER STUDIES IN SCHOOLS.

IT WAS CHAIRED BY THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION (CHIEF INSPECTOR OF SCHOOLS), MR WONG SIK-WAH.

THE VICE-PRESIDENT AND SENIOR SYSTEM MANAGER OF THE BANK OF AMERICA, MR PETER CHAN, GAVE A TALK ON SECURITY IN THE COMPUTER BANKING SYSTEM AFTER WHICH AN OPEN FORUM WAS HELD FOR PARTICIPANTS TO EXCHANGE THEIR VIEWS.

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ROAD SAFETY DAY TOMORROW IN TAI PO

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A ROAD SAFETY DAY WILL BE HELD TOMORROW (SUNDAY) MORNING AT THE TAI PO PLAYGROUND IN HEUNG SZE WUI ROAD TO MARK THE CLOSING OF THE TAI PO DISTRICT ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN.

THERE WILL BE A PARADE BY A ROAD SAFETY TEAM, AN EXHIBITION ON ROAD SAFETY. A MOCK DRIVING EXERCISE FOR CHILDREN AND STALL GAMES.

THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR THOMAS YIU, AND THE DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR HO YUNG-SANG, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY AT 10.30 AM.

OTHER OFFICIATING GUESTS WILL INCLUDE THE POLICE DISTRICT COMMANDER, MR LEUNG FUNG-SHUN, AND CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE, MR TANG PUI-TAT.

THE EVENT IS ORGANISED BY THE WORKING GROUP ON TAI PO DISTRICT ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN AND SPONSORED BY THE TAI PO DISTRICT BOARD.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE TAI PO DISTRICT ROAD SAFETY DAY TO BE HELD TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AT THE TAI PO PLAYGROUND, HEUNG SZE WUI STREET, TAI PO. IT WILL BEGIN AT 10.30 AM.

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SEMINAR ON YOUTH AND LEADERSHIP IN TAI PO

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SIXTY YOUNG COMMUNITY WORK VOLUNTEERS IN TAI PO TOOK PART IN A SEMINAR ON YOUTH AND LEADERSHIP IN THE TAI PO COMMUNITY CENTRE THIS (SATURDAY) EVENING.

THE SEMINAR WAS AN EFFORT TO HELP GROOM YOUTH LEADERS IN THE DISTRICT.

OMELCO MEMBERS MISS MARIA TAM AND MR SZETO WAH, AND REGIONAL COUNCILLOR MR LAI KAM-CHEUNG ADDRESSED THE SEMINAR AND SHARED THEIR EXPERIENCES IN COMMUNITY WORK WITH THE AUDIENCE.

THE SEMINAR WAS PART OF THE YOUTH LEADERSHIP TRAINING PROGRAMME ORGANISED BY THE WORKING GROUP ON TAI PO YOUTH FESTIVAL AND SPONSORED BY THE TAI PO DISTRICT BOARD.

THE TRAINING PROGRAMME ALSO INCLUDES VISITS TO GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND CAMPING ACTIVITIES.

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NEW KMB ROUTE NO. 270

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT A KMB AIR-CONDITIONED COACH ROUTE, NO. 270 (TIN PING - TAI PING), WILL BE INTRODUCED ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 27).

THE COACH SERVICE WILL OPERATE AT A BASIC FREQUENCY OF 12 MINUTES AND WILL SERVE SHEUNG SHUI KCR STATION EN-ROUTE.

A FARE OF \$1.80 WILL BE CHARGED PER SINGLE JOURNEY.

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TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS ON HK ISLAND

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 27). SEVERAL ROAD SECTIONS ON HONG KONG ISLAND WILL BE DESIGNATED URBAN CLEARWAYS.

IN THE MID-LEVELS. THE NORTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF CONDUIT ROAD FROM A POINT ABOUT 13 METRES EAST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH CASTLE ROAD TO A POINT ABOUT 120 METRES EAST OF THE SAME JUNCTION (EXCLUDING THE LAYBY OUTSIDE HOUSE NUMBER 54) WILL BE MADE AN URBAN CLEARWAY ROUND-THE-CLOCK FOR ABOUT EIGHT WEEKS BECAUSE OF DRAINAGE WORKS.

IN WAN CHAI. THE WESTERN KERBSIDE LANE OF TAI WONG STREET EAST FROM ITS JUNCTION WITH JOHNSTON ROAD TO A POINT ABOUT 50 METRES TO THE SOUTH WILL BECOME A 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY URBAN CLEARWAY FOR ABOUT FOUR WEEKS TO FACILITATE CABLE LAYING WORKS.

IN ADDITION. THE FOLLOWING ROAD SECTIONS IN SHAU KEI WAN WILL BECOME PEAK HOUR (7 AM - 10 AM AND 4 PM - 7 PM) DAILY URBAN CLEARWAYS FOR ABOUT FOUR WEEKS TO FACILITATE ROAD WORKS:

- \* A KUNG NGAM VILLAGE ROAD BETWEEN A POINT ABOUT 65 METRES EAST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH A KUNG NGAM ROAD AND A POINT ABOUT 90 METRES EAST OF THE SAME JUNCTION; AND
- \* THE A KUNG NGAM VILLAGE ROAD CUL-DE-SAC BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH A KUNG NGAM VILLAGE ROAD AND A POINT ABOUT 10 METRES SOUTH OF THE SAME JUNCTION.

NO VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS WITHIN THE RESTRICTED AREAS.

ALSO FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY. A KUNG NGAM ROAD NORTH OF A KUNG NGAM VILLAGE ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FOR ABOUT FOUR WEEKS.

DURING THE CLOSURE. AFFECTED VEHICLES INCLUDING WESTBOUND CMB BUS ROUTE 85 WILL BE DIVERTED VIA A KUNG NGAM VILLAGE ROAD.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN SHAM SHUI PO

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 27) TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED FOR SIX WEEKS TO FACILITATE THE DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT WORK IN SHAM SHUI PO.

THE RIGHT-TURN FROM KWONG LEE ROAD EASTBOUND ONTO FAT TSEUNG STREET SOUTHBOUND WILL BE BANNED. MOTORISTS FROM KWONG LEE ROAD EASTBOUND HEADING FOR FAT TSEUNG STREET SOUTHBOUND MAY TRAVEL VIA KWONG LEE ROAD EASTBOUND, PRATAS STREET, WAI WAI ROAD, TONKIN STREET, KWONG LEE ROAD AND FAT TSEUNG STREET SOUTHBOUND.

THE LEFT-TURN FROM FAT TSEUNG STREET NORTHBOUND ONTO KWONG LEE ROAD WESTBOUND WILL BE BANNED. MOTORISTS FROM FAT TSEUNG STREET NORTHBOUND HEADING FOR KWONG LEE ROAD WESTBOUND MAY TRAVEL VIA FAT TSEUNG STREET NORTHBOUND, KWONG LEE ROAD EASTBOUND, PRATAS STREET, WAI WAI STREET, TONKIN STREET AND KWONG LEE ROAD WESTBOUND.

THE VEHICULAR TURNING MOVEMENTS FROM KWONG LEE ROAD INTO MAN FAT STREET WILL BE BANNED. MOTORISTS HEADING FOR MAN FAT STREET ARE ADVISED TO TRAVEL VIA CHEUNG FAT STREET INSTEAD.

AT THE SAME TIME, MAN FAT STREET WILL BE DESIGNATED A BAN ZONE EXCEPT FOR ACCESS 24 HOURS DAILY.

ALL VEHICLES, EXCEPT THOSE WITH PERMITS ISSUED BY THE COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT AND FOR ACCESS, WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM ENTERING THE BAN ZONE.

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