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OWNERS TO DO MORE TO ENSURE BUILDING SAFETY

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BUILDING OWNERS SHOULD DO MORE TO COMPLEMENT THE GOVERNMENT'S ENDEAVOURS TO IMPROVE BUILDING SAFETY, THE DIRECTOR OF BUILDINGS AND LANDS, MR TONY EASON, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

IN AN OPENING ADDRESS TO THE BUILDING SURVEYORS CONFERENCE 1991 ORGANISED BY THE HONG KONG INSTITUTE OF SURVEYORS AND THE ROYAL INSTITUTION OF CHARTERED SURVEYORS (HONG KONG BRANCH), MR EASON SAID ASSISTANCE WOULD BE PROVIDED FOR BUILDING OWNERS AND EFFORTS WOULD BE MADE TO BRING HOME THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES TO THEM MORE CLEARLY.

MR EASON SAID THE PROCESS OF APPROVING RELATIVELY SIMPLE ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO BUILDINGS WOULD BE MADE MORE STRAIGHTFORWARD AND ACCESS TO COPIES OF ORIGINAL BUILDING PLANS EASIER.

"ON THE PRESSURE SIDE, WE WILL BE EXAMINING NEW POWERS WHICH WOULD ENABLE THE BUILDING AUTHORITY TO REQUIRE OWNERS TO HAVE INSPECTIONS AND SURVEYS OF THEIR BUILDINGS CARRIED OUT, TO PRODUCE CERTIFICATES OF STRUCTURAL SAFETY AND TO ENSURE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR," HE SAID.

HE ADDED THAT REGISTRATION OF UNAUTHORISED BUILDING WORKS AGAINST LAND TITLE WOULD ALSO BE PURSUED.

ON THE PROGRESS OF THE SURVEY ON OLD BUILDINGS, MR EASON SAID PRE-WAR BUILDINGS WERE AT PRESENT THE TOP PRIORITY FOR DETAILED SURVEY AND BY ABOUT MAY THIS YEAR THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE OFFICE WOULD MOVE ON TO LOOK AT POST-WAR BUILDINGS.

HE SAID ENFORCEMENT ACTION WOULD BE TARGETTED AT THE SAME TIME AGAINST POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS APPENDAGES OVERHANGING PUBLIC STREETS FROM PRIVATE BUILDINGS.

"WE WILL ALSO BE STEPPING UP OUR PROSECUTION AND PUBLICITY EFFORTS," HE ADDED.

MR EASON ALSO URGED THE PROFESSIONALS TO PLAY A PART IN SEEKING WAYS AND MEANS TO ATTACK THE PROBLEM OF BUILDING SAFETY, PARTICULARLY IN OLDER BUILDINGS.

"IN FACT, I KNOW SOME MEMBERS ARE ALREADY DOING SO AND WILL BE CONTRIBUTING TO THE EFFORT WHICH WILL BE REQUIRED TO INFORM AND EDUCATE BUILDING OWNERS AND USERS ON THE PROBLEM OF BUILDING SAFETY AND RELATED MATTERS.

"BUT PERHAPS THERE IS MORE THAT COULD BE DONE TO GET DIRECT SERVICES AVAILABLE TO THOSE WHO HAVE DIFFICULTY AFFORDING THEM," MR EASON SAID.

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SIR ROBERT HO TUNG CHARITABLE FUND 1990 ALLOCATION
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THE SIR ROBERT HO TUNG CHARITABLE FUND HAS MADE GRANTS TOTALLING \$11,935,764 TO 40 CHARITABLE ORGANISATIONS IN HONG KONG.

THIS WAS ANNOUNCED TODAY (SATURDAY) BY DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE, MR RICKY FUNG, WHO IS THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ALLOCATION COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE FOR ADVISING THE GOVERNOR ON ALLOCATIONS FROM THE FUND.

MR FUNG SAID MAJOR GRANTS IN 1990 INCLUDED A SUM OF \$2,673,690 MADE TO THE TUNG WAH GROUP OF HOSPITALS. OUT OF THAT AMOUNT, \$1,627,000 WAS FOR PURCHASING PHYSIOTHERAPY EQUIPMENT FOR THE TUNG WAH EASTERN HOSPITAL; \$508,000 FOR PURCHASING A 4-CHANNEL ELECTROLYTE ANALYZER AND A MOBILE X-RAY UNIT FOR THE KWONG WAH HOSPITAL; AND \$538,690 FOR PROVIDING FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO ITS KWAN FONG CHILD CARE CENTRE.

CARITAS MEDICAL CENTRE WAS GRANTED \$1,728,000, OUT OF WHICH \$679,000 WAS FOR THE PURCHASE OF AN INDEPENDENT DIAGNOSTIC CONSOLE FOR SOMATOM SCANNER; \$549,000 FOR THE PURCHASE OF AN ULTRASOUND SCANNER FOR MATERNITY WARDS; AND \$500,000 FOR THE PURCHASE OF AN OPERATION MICROSCOPE.

PO LEUNG KUK RECEIVED A GRANT OF \$1,076,806 FOR THE RENOVATION OF THE KUK'S MAIN BUILDING, WEST WING BUILDING AND THE VALLEY ROAD NURSERY.

A SUM OF \$979,100 WAS GRANTED TO THE HONG KONG TUBERCULOSIS, CHEST AND HEART DISEASES ASSOCIATION, OF WHICH \$287,000 WENT TO THE RUTTONJEE SANATORIUM FOR THE PURCHASE OF VARIOUS ITEMS OF MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, AND \$692,100 FOR THE GRANTHAM HOSPITAL TO PURCHASE A WASHER/EXTRACTOR.

A GRANT OF \$795,110 WAS GIVEN TO THE FAMILY PLANNING ASSOCIATION OF HONG KONG FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A COMPUTERISED CLIENTELE MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM.

HONG KONG BUDDHIST HOSPITAL WAS GRANTED \$770,000 FOR THE PURCHASE OF A PORTABLE X-RAY MACHINE AND AN AUTOCLAVE FOR POROUS LOAD.

OUR LADY OF MARYKNOLL HOSPITAL WAS GRANTED \$509,300 FOR THE PURCHASE OF AN AUTOCLAVE FOR ITS CENTRAL STERILE SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT.

METHODIST EPWORTH VILLAGE COMMUNITY CENTRE - SOCIAL WELFARE RECEIVED A GRANT OF \$421,265 FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF ITS EXISTING ELECTRICAL WIRING.

ALICE HO MIU LING NETHERSOLE HOSPITAL AND THE DUCHESS OF KENT CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL WERE GIVEN GRANTS OF \$340,000 AND \$327,000 RESPECTIVELY FOR THE PURCHASE OF MEDICAL EQUIPMENT.

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THE SIR ROBERT HO TUNG CHARITABLE FUND IS ONE OF THE LARGEST CHARITABLE TRUSTS IN HONG KONG. IT WAS SET UP WITH A BEQUEST OF \$500,000 BY THE LATE SIR ROBERT HO TUNG ON HIS DEATH IN 1956.

IN 1966, THE CAPITAL OF THE FUND WAS INCREASED THROUGH THE INJECTION OF \$4.95MILLION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SIR ROBERT'S WILL, FROM THE CHINA CHARITABLE FUND SET UP BY HIM. THE SIR ROBERT HO TUNG CHARITABLE FUND IS ADMINISTERED BY THE HONG KONG BANK TRUSTEE LTD.

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POLICE OFFICERS PLAY ARDUOUS ROLE

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THE YEARS AHEAD ARE GOING TO BE DIFFICULT FOR HONG KONG AND THE ROLE POLICE OFFICERS WILL NEED TO PLAY SOMETIMES BE ARDUOUS, FRUSTRATING AND, AS EVENTS HAVE PROVED IN RECENT WEEKS, DANGEROUS.

THIS WAS STATED BY THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, MANAGEMENT, MR GEORGE HINDHAUGH, WHEN HE ADDRESSED A PASSING OUT PARADE AT THE POLICE TRAINING SCHOOL THIS (SATURDAY) MORNING.

POINTING OUT THAT THE MATERIAL REWARDS FOR THE POLICE FORCE HAD BEEN IMPROVED SOMEWHAT OVER RECENT YEARS, MR HINDHAUGH HOPED THAT THE SPECIAL NATURE OF POLICE SERVICE WOULD HAVE BEEN RECOGNISED TO A MUCH GREATER DEGREE.

RECOGNISING THE CONCERN THAT OFFICERS FELT ABOUT THEIR FUTURE AND THE INCREASING DIFFICULTY OF POLICING THE STREETS, MR HINDHAUGH CALLED ON THE GRADUATING OFFICERS TO DEDICATE THEMSELVES TO THE SERVICE OF THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG WHICH HE DESCRIBED AS AN HONOURABLE AND WORTHWHILE COMMITMENT.

"FROM TIME TO TIME YOUR EFFORTS ARE NOT APPRECIATED; THE CRITICISM, THE DEMANDS AND OCCASIONALLY THE OUTRIGHT HOSTILITY WHICH IS LEVELLED AT YOU WILL OFTEN CAUSE DISMAY," HE SAID.

"DO NOT LET IT GET YOU DOWN," MR HINDHAUGH TOLD THE GRADUATES, "BECAUSE DESPITE ITS DIFFICULTIES AND FRUSTRATIONS, THE CAREER YOU HAVE EMBARKED UPON IS SECOND TO NONE AND IT WILL ALSO BRING YOU MOMENTS OF GREAT PRIDE AND ENJOYMENT."

MR HINDHAUGH ALSO REASSURED THEM THAT THEY WOULD HAVE THE SATISFACTION OF CARRYING OUT AN IMPORTANT SERVICE WHICH WAS CRUCIAL TO THE FUTURE OF HONG KONG AND WOULD HAVE THE SUPPORT OF TRUST OF ALL WHO HAD THE WELL-BEING OF THE TERRITORY AT HEART.

ON PARADE TODAY WERE 15 INSPECTORS AND 96 POLICE CONSTABLES WHO HAVE JUST COMPLETED THEIR BASIC TRAINING.

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SPECIAL ANTI-RABIES INOCULATION DRIVE IN FISHING PORTS
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THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT WILL SHORTLY LAUNCH A SPECIAL DOG INOCULATION DRIVE IN FISHING PORTS SO THAT FISHERMEN CAN HAVE THEIR DOGS IMMUNISED AGAINST RABIES.

THE DRIVE, A REGULAR EXERCISE LAUNCHED SINCE 1980, IS SPECIALLY TIMED FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF FISHERMEN, MOST OF WHOM WILL BE COMING BACK FROM SEA IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS TO CELEBRATE THE LUNAR NEW YEAR.

STARTING FROM JANUARY 21, THE DEPARTMENT'S MOBILE DOG INOCULATION TEAMS WILL GO TO THE TERRITORY'S SEVEN FISHING PORTS ONE AFTER THE OTHER AND MADE BOAT-TO-BOAT VISITS BETWEEN 10 AM TO 4 PM DAILY. THE WHOLE OPERATION WILL LAST FOR NINE WORKING DAYS UNTIL JANUARY 31.

THEY WILL VISIT THE FISHING PORTS IN ABERDEEN ON JANUARY 21 AND 22; CHEUNG CHAU ON JANUARY 23 AND 24; SAM MUN TSAI ON JANUARY 25 AND 26; SHAU KEI WAN AND SHA TAU KOK ON JANUARY 28 AND 29; AND CASTLE PEAK BAY AND SAI KUNG ON JANUARY 30 AND 31.

THE DEPARTMENT'S ACTING SENIOR VETERINARY OFFICER (HEALTH), DR K.K. LIU, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY) THAT THE DRIVE IS PART OF THE GOVERNMENT'S CONTINUING EFFORTS TO PREVENT THE OUTBREAK OF RABIES IN HONG KONG.

"THE TERRITORY REGAINED THE RABIES-FREE AREA STATUS IN JULY 1989 BY HAVING SUCCESSFULLY PREVENTED THE OUTBREAK OF ANY INDIGENOUS RABIES CASE IN THE PREVIOUS TWO YEARS," HE NOTED.

NEVERTHELESS, HE STRESSED THAT RABIES IS A DEADLY DISEASE TRANSMISSIBLE FROM ANIMALS TO HUMAN. DOGS ON FISHING VESSELS ARE PARTICULARLY VULNERABLE BECAUSE OF THEIR POSSIBLE CONTACTS WITH OTHER ANIMALS OUTSIDE HONG KONG.

"IT IS THEREFORE IMPORTANT THAT FISHERMEN'S DOGS ARE INOCULATED AGAINST THE DISEASE AT LEAST EVERY THREE YEARS TO KEEP UP THEIR IMMUNITY," DR LIU ADDED.

HE URGED FISHERMEN WHO OWN DOGS TO MAKE FULL USE OF THE SPECIAL INOCULATION SERVICE.

"A TOTAL OF 260 DOGS OWNED BY FISHERMEN WERE INOCULATED IN SIMILAR ANTI-RABIES INOCULATION DRIVES LAST YEAR," HE SAID.

UNDER THE DOGS AND CATS ORDINANCE, ALL DOGS OVER FIVE MONTHS OLD ARE REQUIRED TO BE LICENSED AND INOCULATED AGAINST RABIES. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL RENDER THE OWNER LIABLE TO A MAXIMUM FINE OF \$5,000 AND SIX MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT.

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GO-METRIC CALL FOR SALE OF VEGETABLES AND FRUIT

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RESIDENTS TODAY (SATURDAY) ARE URGED TO USE THE METRIC UNITS IN THE SALE OF VEGETABLES AND FRUIT IN MARKETS.

METRIC SCALE COUNTERS, MANNED BY STAFF OF THE METRICATION COMMITTEE, ARE SET UP TODAY AND TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AT THE MARKETS OF THE SHEUNG WAN AND THE LOCKHART ROAD UC COMPLEXES TO AROUSE LOCAL RESIDENTS, AWARENESS AND TO FAMILIARISE THEM WITH THE USE OF METRIC UNITS.

"THE TARGET OF METRICATION FOR THE YEAR 1990/91 IS THE NON-PREPACKAGED FOOD TRADE PARTICULARLY THE SALE OF VEGETABLES AND FRUIT," A SPOKESMAN FOR THE METRICATION COMMITTEE SAID.

CUSTOMERS AND STALL-HOLDERS WERE ENCOURAGED TO TRY THE METRIC SCALES AT THE COUNTERS SO AS TO COMPARE THEM WITH THE TRADITIONAL CHINESE UNITS IN THE SALE OF VEGETABLES AND IMPERIAL UNITS IN THE SALE OF FRUIT.

THE METRIC SCALE COUNTER SCHEME WAS FIRST INTRODUCED IN 1983 AND WAS REPEATED IN 1984, 1985 AND 1988.

"AS THE SCHEME HAD DRAWN FAVOURABLE PUBLIC RESPONSE' THE COMMITTEE, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT, HAD IDENTIFIED EIGHT UC MARKETS TO RUN THE METRIC SCALE COUNTERS AGAIN THIS YEAR," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE METRIC SCALE COUNTERS ARE OPEN DURING THE BUSIEST TRADING HOURS FROM 10 AM TO 12 NOON ON THE FOLLOWING DATES AND VENUES:

DATE	MARKET
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JANUARY 12 AND 13	SHEUNG WAN LOCKHART ROAD
JANUARY 19 AND 20	SAI WAN HO KOWLOON CITY
JANUARY 26 AND 27	SHUI WO NGAU CHI WAN
FEBRUARY 2 AND 3	FA YUEN STREET PO ON ROAD

THE PUBLICITY DRIVE ALSO INCLUDED A TELEVISION API (ANNOUNCEMENT IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST) WHICH HAS BEEN SCREENED SINCE NOVEMBER LAST YEAR. A POSTER ON THE SAME THEME HAD ALSO BEEN PRODUCED AND DISTRIBUTED TO ALLPUBLIC MARKETS, CONSUMER ADVICE CENTRES AND SUPERMARKETS.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE METRICATION COMMITTEE, MR JAMES WU MAN-HON, TODAY JOINED IN WITH THE STAFF AT THE METRIC SCALE COUNTERS OF THE TWO MARKETS TO DISTRIBUTE METRIC CONVERSION TABLES AND SOUVENIR RED PACKETS TO VISITORS.

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FIGHT CRIME AND ANTI-NARCOTICS CARNIVAL IN TSUEN WAN

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MORE THAN 1,000 TSUEN WAN RESIDENTS TODAY (SATURDAY) TOOK PART IN A DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME AND ANTI-NARCOTICS CARNIVAL AT THE SHA TSUI ROAD PLAYGROUND.

THE CARNIVAL WAS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE (DFCC) AND THE ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS TO PROMOTE FIGHT CRIME AND ANTI-NARCOTICS MESSAGES.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY, THE ACTING SECRETARY FOR SECURITY, MR IAN STRACHAN, SAID CRIMES, IN PARTICULAR VIOLENT ONES' INCREASED AND DRUG ABUSE REMAINED A SEVERE PROBLEM LAST YEAR.

"THE USE OF FIREARMS IN THE PURSUIT OF CRIME HAS ALSO CAUSED US A GREAT CONCERN," MR STRACHAN SAID, ADDING THAT THE FIGHT AGAINST CRIME AND DRUGS REMAINED VIGOROUS AND EFFECTIVE.

HE NOTED THAT THE POLICE HAD STEPPED UP THEIR RAIDS ON VICE ESTABLISHMENTS, MAHJONG PALROURS AND OTHER PLACES FREQUENTED BY CRIMINALS OVER THE PAST FEW MONTHS.

"NEW LEGISLATION AIMED AT COMBATING ORGANISED CRIME IS BEING DRAFTED TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK AGAINST SUCH CRIMES AND THE PUBLIC WILL BE CONSULTED ON THIS LEGISLATION IN THE FORM OF A WHITE BILL THIS YEAR," HE SAID.

MR STRACHAN NOTED THAT THE ABUSE OF BOTH ILLEGAL DRUGS SUCH AS HEROIN AND CANNABIS, AND DRUGS WHICH COULD BE PRESCRIBED LEGALLY FOR MEDICAL PURPOSES, WAS STILL A MAJOR PROBLEM IN OUR COMMUNITY.

"INTENSIFIED PUBLICITY HAS BEEN DIRECTED AT THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE, INSTILLING IN THEM A POSITIVE ATTITUDE TO LIFE AND A SENSE OF SELF-ESTEEM, AND ENCOURAGING THEM TO SAY NO TO ALL DRUGS," HE SAID.

ALSO SPEAKING AT THE CEREMONY, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE TSUEN WAN DFCC, MR DAVID HO, SAID VARIOUS ACTIVITIES INCLUDING THE TSUEN WAN CITIZEN FIGHT CRIME AWARD SCHEME, WATCHMEN LIAISON SCHEME AND A FIGHT CRIME SEMINAR WERE ORGANISED DURING THE YEAR.

MR HO URGED RESIDENTS TO CONTINUE TO GIVE FIRM SUPPORT TO THE POLICE IN STAMPING OUT CRIME.

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HEALTH CARNIVAL FOR ELDERLY ON SUNDAY

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A "HEALTH CARNIVAL" FOR ELDERLY PEOPLE IN CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT WILL BE HELD AT THE KING GEORGE V MEMORIAL PARK, EASTERN STREET, TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AFTERNOON.

THE CARNIVAL, FEATURING HEALTH TALKS AS WELL AS POP AND CANTONESE OPERA SINGING, WILL START AT 2 PM.

JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE WESTERN DISTRICT COMMUNITY CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE WITH SPONSORSHIP FROM THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT BOARD, THE CARNIVAL AIMS AT PROVIDING HEALTH ADVICE AND ENTERTAINMENT TO THE DISTRICT'S ELDERLY RESIDENTS.

THE SHEK TONG TSUI CARITAS YOUTH CENTRE, CENTRAL AND WESTERN OUTREACHING SOCIAL WORK TEAM OF THE YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION, MEN CHUNG SOCIAL SERVICES CENTRE, WESTERN DISTRICT POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS OFFICE AND ST. JAMES' SETTLEMENT CENTRAL AND WESTERN MULTI-SERVICE CENTRE FOR THE ELDERLY ALSO HELPED ORGANISE THE CARNIVAL.

OFFICIATING AT THE CARNIVAL WILL BE THE ASSISTANT CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICER, MISS MONICA CHEN, AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE WESTERN COMMUNITY CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, MRS IRENE LEE.

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ATTENTION NEWS EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT'S "HEALTH CARNIVAL FOR THE ELDERLY" TO BE HELD AT THE KING GEORGE V MEMORIAL PARK, EASTERN STREET, TOMORROW (SUNDAY). THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL START AT 2 PM.

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ROAD SAFETY CARNIVAL IN KOWLOON CITY

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A CARNIVAL TO PROMOTE ROAD SAFETY WILL BE HELD AT THE ARGYLE STREET PLAYGROUND IN KOWLOON CITY TOMORROW (SUNDAY), BEGINNING AT 2 PM.

THE CARNIVAL IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE, THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE FORCE, THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT BOARD AND THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT OFFICE.

ADMISSION TO THE CARNIVAL IS FREE. THERE WILL BE A BAND PARADE, GAME STALLS, A SCHOOL ROAD SAFETY PATROL TEAMS PARADE AND A LUCKY DRAW.

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AN EXHIBITION OF THE SKID-CAR DISPLAY AND MODEL JEEP-DRIVING WILL ALSO BE HELD.

THE CARNIVAL WILL ALSO FEATURE A SIMULATED ROAD SAFETY TOWN WHICH HELPS PARTICIPANTS TO KNOW MORE ABOUT TRAFFIC SIGNS.

MEANWHILE, A VIDEO ON "KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT TRAFFIC BLACK SPOTS" WILL ALSO BE SHOWN.

OFFICIATING AT THE CARNIVAL WILL BE THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR WONG SIK-KONG; KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT OFFICER, MR DUNCAN PESCOD; POLICE DISTRICT COMMANDER, MR DAVID DEPTFORD AND POLICE STAFF OFFICER (TRAFFIC/KOWLOON), MR DAVID TALLON.

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STUDENTS TO GET A GLIMPSE OF WORKPLACES

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MORE THAN 600 SECONDARY STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO TAKE A LOOK AT THE WORLD OF WORK UNDER A WORK ORIENTATION PROGRAMME ORGANISED BY THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT'S CAREERS ADVISORY SERVICE (CAS).

"THE YEAR-LONG CAREERS EDUCATION PROJECT HAS BEEN WELL-RECEIVED BY BOTH STUDENTS AND CAREERS TEACHERS, WITH SOME 650 STUDENTS FROM 24 SCHOOLS PARTICIPATING IN THE FIRST PHASE WHICH ENDED LAST MONTH," SENIOR LABOUR OFFICER MRS CLARE SIU SAID.

"THE PROGRAMME AIMS TO HELP STUDENTS GAIN AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE REAL WORKING ENVIRONMENT SO THAT THEY CAN MAKE BETTER PLANS FOR THEIR FUTURE," MRS SIU SAID.

UNDER THE NEXT PHASE OF THE PROGRAMME, FORM 3 TO FORM 7 STUDENTS IN WONG TAI SIN, WAN CHAI, TSUEN WAN, ISLANDS AND EASTERN DISTRICTS WILL VISIT 22 DIFFERENT ESTABLISHMENTS.

"THESE ESTABLISHMENTS HAVE BEEN CAREFULLY SELECTED TO COVER A WIDE RANGE OF INDUSTRIES AND PROFESSIONS INCLUDING THE MASS MEDIA, HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS, BANKS, FACTORIES, AIRLINES AND TRANSPORT COMPANIES, ADVERTISING AND TRADING FIRMS, LABORATORIES, TRAINING INSTITUTES AND GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS.

"STUDENTS WILL BE SHOWN AROUND THE FACILITIES AND BRIEFED BY COMPANY STAFF OF DIFFERENT ASPECTS OF THE COMPANIES' OPERATION," MRS SIU NOTED.

THE CAS PROVIDES A LARGE VARIETY OF SERVICES TO YOUNG PEOPLE SEEKING CAREERS GUIDANCE THROUGH ITS FOUR CAREERS INFORMATION CENTRES THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY.

EACH CENTRE HAS A REFERENCE LIBRARY EQUIPPED WITH AN AUDIO-VISUAL UNIT WITH SOUND-ON-SLIDES, VIDEO AND AUDIO TAPE RECORDINGS, AND PUBLICATIONS ON EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND FURTHER EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES.

"STUDENTS, CAREERS TEACHERS AND OTHER PEOPLE INTERESTED ARE WELCOME TO MAKE USE OF THESE FACILITIES AND SEEK CAREERS ADVICE OF INFORMATION AT THESE CENTRES," MRS SIU SAID.

THE CENTRES ARE SITUATED AT:

- * SOUTHORN CENTRE, 16/F
130 HENNESSY ROAD
WAN CHAI
HONG KONG
TEL: 835 2044
- * TO KWA WAN MARKET AND GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 9/F
165 MA TAU WAI ROAD
KOWLOON
TEL: 715 3635
- * TAI HING GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 2/F
16 TSUN WEN ROAD
TUEN MUN
NEW TERRITORIES
TEL: 463 6855
- * CHANWAY SHOPPING CENTRE, 2/F, SHOP 8B
11-17 SHA TIN CENTRE STREET
SHATIN
NEW TERRITORIES
TEL: 601 5101

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THE CHINESE LANGUAGE TEACHING CENTRE OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S ADVISORY INSPECTORATE WILL BE HOLDING TWO HALF-DAY COURSES TO INTRODUCE METHODS OF ORGANISING VARIOUS EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES IN TEACHING PUTONGHUA IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

THE COURSES WILL BE HELD FROM 2.30 PM TO 4.30 PM ON FEBRUARY 7 AND FROM 9.30 AM TO 11.30 AM ON FEBRUARY 8 AT TO KWA WAN MARKET AND GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 165 MA TAU WAI ROAD.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID 50 PARTICIPANTS WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR EACH COURSE.

SCHOOLS WISHING TO NOMINATE TEACHERS SHOULD APPLY TO THE CHINESE LANGUAGE TEACHING CENTRE IN MA TAU WELL ROAD BY JANUARY 15.

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