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PREMATURE TO DISCUSS WHITE PAPER NOW, SIR DAVID

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THE ACTING GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID AKERS-JONES, STRESSED THIS (MONDAY) EVENING THAT IT WOULD BE PREMATURE AND FAR TOO EARLY NOW TO BE TALKING ABOUT THE WHITE PAPER ON POLITICAL REVIEW.

HE WAS SPEAKING TO REPORTERS AFTER ATTENDING A SPRING RECEPTION OF THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION.

HE SAID: +I THINK THE NEXT THING IS THE ISSUE OF THE GREEN PAPER, AND THEN, HOPEFULLY, A GOOD PUBLIC DISCUSSION ABOUT IT, AND THEN THE WHITE PAPER. BUT TO START PUBLIC DEBATE NOW ABOUT WHEN PRECISELY THE WHITE PAPER IS GOING TO COME OUT -- IT SEEMS TO ME TO BE PREMATURE.

+WE'LL PUBLISH THE WHITE PAPER WHEN WE ARE READY AND WHEN THE PUBLIC DEBATE IS COMPLETE. BUT AS I SAID, THE THING NOW IS REALLY, AS A COMMUNITY, TO THINK ABOUT THE GREEN PAPER AND, WHEN IT'S PUBLISHED, TO COMPARE OUR REACTIONS TO IT, THEN WE HAVE THE WHITE PAPER. WE MUST PUBLISH THE WHITE PAPER AT THE RIGHT TIME.

+IT IS VERY IMPORTANT, IF THERE ARE CHANGES TO BE INTRODUCED IN 1988, THAT THE WHITE PAPER IS PUBLISHED IN SUFFICIENT TIME AND TO ALLOW FOR THE LEGISLATION AND THE CHANGES TO BE PUT IN PLACE.

+THESE ARE THE IMPORTANT POINTS TO CONSIDER REALLY IN THE TIMING. AND I'M SURE THAT IT WILL BE PUBLISHED IN TIME FOR ALL THOSE CHANGES, IF THERE ARE TO BE CHANGES TO TAKE PLACE,+ HE SAID.

ASKED ABOUT THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE WHITE PAPER AND THE TIMING OF THE BASIC LAW, SIR DAVID SAID THE TWO PROCESSES OF CONSULTATION WITH THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG WERE GOING ALONG AT THE SAME TIME AND THE RELATIONSHIP WAS QUITE OBVIOUS.

+THE COMMON DENOMINATOR OF THE EQUATION IS THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG,+ HE SAID.

SIR DAVID ADDED THAT HE WOULD NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE TIMING OF THE BASIC LAW WHILE CONSIDERING WHEN TO PUBLISH THE WHITE PAPER.

+THE TWO THINGS ARE SEPARATE, BUT THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG ARE THE COMMON DENOMINATOR AND THE CONSULTATION IS GOING ALONG AT THE SAME TIME.+

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FS TO PRESENT BUDGET WEDNESDAY
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HONG KONG'S BUDGET FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1987-88 WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ON WEDNESDAY (FEBRUARY 25).

THE PROCEEDINGS WILL START AT 2.30 PM, WHEN THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY, THE HON PIERS JACOBS, MOVES THE FIRST AND SECOND READINGS OF THE APPROPRIATION BILL 1987 AND OUTLINES HONG KONG'S ESTIMATED REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE FOR 1987-88.

THE ESTIMATED HEADS OF EXPENDITURE WILL BE SET OUT IN THE SCHEDULE OF THE BILL TO BE PUBLISHED IN AN EXTRAORDINARY GAZETTE THE SAME AFTERNOON.

DEBATE ON THE BILL WILL BE ADJOURNED UNTIL MARCH 18 AND 19, WHEN MEMBERS WILL EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS ON THE BUDGET PROPOSALS.

ON APRIL 1 AND 2 OFFICIALS WILL REPLY TO POINTS RAISED BY MEMBERS.

THIS WILL BE FOLLOWED BY THE COMMITTEE STAGE AND THIRD READING OF THE BILL ON MAY 6.

THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S SPEECH ON WEDNESDAY WILL BE BROADCAST LIVE OVER RTHK'S RADIO 1 (CHINESE) AND RADIO 3 (ENGLISH).

RTHK WILL ALSO BROADCAST LIVE THE OTHER BUDGET SITTINGS ON MARCH 18 AND 19, APRIL 1 AND 2 AND MAY 6 ON RADIO 1 (CHINESE) AND RADIO 3 (ENGLISH).

THE BUDGET SITTINGS WILL ALSO BE COVERED, IN NORMAL NEWSCASTS AND BULLETINS OF RTHK, COMMERCIAL RADIO, HK-TV8 AND ATV.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

GIS WILL PROVIDE FACILITIES ON WEDNESDAY (FEBRUARY 25) TO ENABLE MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES TO START WORK ON THEIR BUDGET STORIES EARLY IN THE DAY. MEDIA ORGANISATIONS ARE REQUESTED TO NOTE THAT NO PART OF THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S BUDGET SPEECH OR BUDGET RELATED DOCUMENTS WHICH THEY HAVE OBTAINED IN ADVANCE IS TO BE PUBLISHED OR BROADCAST BEFORE IT IS DELIVERED IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FROM 10.45 AM ON WEDNESDAY, MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE ABLE TO COLLECT THE FIRST, BACKGROUND, PART OF THE SPEECH AT THE GIS PRESS CONFERENCE ROOM, ON THE FIFTH FLOOR OF BEACONSFIELD HOUSE, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

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THOSE WHO WISH MAY STAY TO WORK ON THEIR COPIES. AT 12.30 PM, THERE WILL BE A CLOSED WORKING SESSION AT THE GIS PRESS CONFERENCE ROOM WHEN THOSE WHO THEMSELVES CHOOSE TO REMAIN WILL BE GIVEN THE SECOND PART OF THE SPEECH, WHICH CONTAINS THE REVENUE PROPOSALS. THEY WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO LEAVE THE ROOM UNTIL AFTER THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY HAS CONCLUDED HIS SPEECH.

OFFICERS FROM THE ECONOMIC SERVICES BRANCH AND FINANCE BRANCH WILL BE PRESENT FROM 11 AM TO ANSWER ANY QUESTION WHICH MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES MAY HAVE ON THE BACKGROUND TO THE SPEECH.

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED AND GIS OFFICERS WILL BE ON HAND TO OFFER HELP.

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SIR DAVID TO OPEN COMPUTER EDUCATION CENTRE
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THE COMPUTER EDUCATION CENTRE OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, WHICH CAME INTO OPERATION LAST DECEMBER, WILL BE OFFICIALLY OPENED BY THE ACTING GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID AKERS-JONES, ON THURSDAY (FEBRUARY 26).

LOCATED IN HOK YUEN STREET, HUNG HOM, IT WAS ESTABLISHED WITH A \$4.5 MILLION GRANT FROM THE MACLEHOSE FUND AS ONE OF THE DEPARTMENT'S MEASURES TO PROMOTE COMPUTER EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS.

THE CENTRE SERVES AS A TRAINING AND RESOURCE CENTRE FOR TEACHERS OF COMPUTER STUDIES AND THEIR PEERS IN OTHER SCHOOL SUBJECTS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN USING COMPUTERS IN CLASSROOM TEACHING.

THE CENTRE IS EQUIPPED WITH A SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF MICROCOMPUTERS, EDUCATIONAL SOFTWARE PACKAGES, CONTROL TECHNOLOGY DEVICES, AND A RANGE OF ELECTRONIC AND AUDIO-VISUAL EQUIPMENT FOR TRAINING AND RESEARCH PURPOSES.

THERE ARE TWO BASIC TRAINING UNITS AT THE CENTRE. THE FIRST CONDUCTS ADVANCED COURSES FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS OF COMPUTER STUDIES AND THE SECOND UNIT OFFERS COMPUTER AWARENESS AND LITERACY COURSES FOR PRIMARY AND SECONDARY TEACHERS OF OTHER SUBJECTS.

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THE CENTRE HAS A SEPARATE UNIT TO ORGANISE COURSES AND SEMINARS ON COMPUTER CONTROL TECHNOLOGY. THE UNIT IS EQUIPPED WITH ROBOTS, BUGGIES, COMMUNICATION DEVICES, PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARDS, SUPPORTING SOFTWARE PACKAGES AND COMPUTERS FOR TEACHERS TO CONDUCT EXPERIMENTS.

IT ALSO HAS A SOFTWARE REVIEW UNIT PROVIDING FACILITIES FOR THE REVIEW AND DEVELOPMENT OF COMPUTER ASSISTED INSTRUCTIONS OR COMPUTER ASSISTED LEARNING PACKAGES FOR USE IN CLASSROOM TEACHING.

IN ADDITION, THERE IS A LIBRARY TO PROVIDE REFERENCE MATERIALS AND RESOURCES FOR COURSE PARTICIPANTS AND TEACHER-MEMBERS OF THE CENTRE. IT IS STOCKED WITH A COLLECTION OF BOOKS AND JOURNALS ON COMPUTER SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY.

SINCE IT CAME INTO OPERATION LAST DECEMBER, THE CENTRE HAS BEEN OFFERING A SERIES OF SHORT COURSES ON COMPUTER AWARENESS FOR 150 SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S COMPUTER EDUCATION CENTRE AT 19 HOK YUEN STREET, HUNG HOM, KOWLOON, AT 3 PM ON THURSDAY.

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HOLMES TO OPEN NEW FIRE SERVICES HQ
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THE FIRST PERMANENT HEADQUARTERS BUILDING OF THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT WILL BE OFFICIALLY OPENED ON THURSDAY (FEBRUARY 26) BY THE DIRECTOR OF FIRE SERVICES, MR ROBERT HOLMES.

THE \$70 MILLION BUILDING, LOCATED AT 1 HONG CHONG ROAD, TSIM SHA TSUI EAST, HAS BEEN BUILT TO ACCOMMODATE A MAXIMUM OF 3 000 STAFF.

THE OPENING WILL REPRESENT A MILESTONE FOR MR HOLMES, WHO WILL BE RETIRING TOWARDS THE END OF THE YEAR AFTER MORE THAN 30 YEARS' SERVICE IN HONG KONG.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY AT 11 AM ON THURSDAY AND TO TAKE PART IN A CONDUCTED TOUR OF THE FIRE SERVICES HEADQUARTERS BUILDING AT 1 HONG CHONG ROAD, TSIM SHA TSUI EAST.

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SOUTHERN SEEKS SUPPORT FOR YOUDE FUND
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THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD IS APPEALLING TO DISTRICT BODIES AND RESIDENTS ORGANISATIONS TO SUPPORT THE SIR EDWARD YOUDE FUND.

THE BOARD HAS SET UP A WORKING GROUP TO CO-ORDINATE FUND RAISING EFFORTS AND ITS DONATION DRIVE WILL LAST UNTIL THE END OF APRIL.

LETTERS WILL BE SENT TO THE DISTRICT'S SIX AREA COMMITTEES AND MORE THAN 250 LOCAL VOLUNTARY AGENCIES, MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES, RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATIONS, FISHERMEN'S ASSOCIATIONS AND COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL BODIES.

IN THE LETTER, THE WORKING GROUP CHAIRMAN, MR ALBERT POON, WILL URGE RESIDENTS TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE WORTHY CAUSE SO THAT MORE YOUNG PEOPLE CAN HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO RECEIVE HIGHER EDUCATION.

RESIDENTS MAY MAKE DONATIONS THROUGH THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICE AND SUB-OFFICES IN ABERDEEN CENTRE, WAH FU AND STANLEY. RECEIPTS WILL BE ISSUED AND RESIDENTS WHO DO NOT REQUIRE A RECEIPT CAN PLACE THEIR DONATIONS IN BOXES AT THE THREE OFFICES.

+ALL DONATIONS, NO MATTER HOW SMALL, ARE WELCOME,+
MR POON ADDS.

A SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICE SPOKESMAN SAID THE DISTRICT HAS ALREADY RECEIVED ABOUT \$121 000 FROM RESIDENTS. A NUMBER OF SCHOOLS HAVE ALSO OBTAINED BOXES FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICE FOR COLLECTING DONATIONS.

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ILLEGAL STRUCTURES CLEARED IN KOWLOON CITY
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AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT CLEARANCE OPERATION TO REMOVE 27 ILLEGAL STRUCTURES AND 11 OVERSIZED CANOPIES IN REAR LANES IN HUNG HOM AREA BEGAN TODAY (MONDAY).

THE ILLEGAL STRUCTURES AND CANOPIES IN EIGHT REAR LANES ARE BOUNDED BY PAK KUNG STREET, SHUN YUNG STREET, WO CHUNG STREET, FAT KWONG STREET AND MA TAU WAI ROAD.

THE OPERATION, EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED BY TOMORROW (TUESDAY), IS CO-ORDINATED BY THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT OFFICE AND JOINTLY CARRIED OUT BY THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT, BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT, URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND THE POLICE.

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AMONG THE STRUCTURES CLEARED, FIVE WERE USED FOR DOMESTIC PURPOSE, WHILE 22 WERE FOR STORAGE AND COMMERCIAL USES.

SIX FAMILIES COMPRISING 13 PEOPLE AFFECTED BY THE OPERATION HAVE BEEN OFFERED REHOUSING IN TEMPORARY HOUSING AREAS AND PUBLIC HOUSING BLOCKS.

THE TWO-DAY CLEARANCE IS PART OF AN ON-GOING PROGRAMME TO IMPROVE THE DISTRICT'S ENVIRONMENT.

SINCE THE PROGRAMME STARTED IN 1982, THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT OFFICE HAS CARRIED OUT 44 CLEARANCE OPERATIONS TO REMOVE ABOUT 500 ILLEGAL STRUCTURES IN REAR LANES TOGETHER WITH OTHER GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS.

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TOWN PARK PLANNED FOR YUEN LONG
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A 7.6-HECTARE TOWN PARK IS TO BE BUILT AT YUEN LONG TO PROVIDE RESIDENTS WITH ACTIVE AND PASSIVE RECREATIONAL FACILITIES.

MAJOR FACILITIES WILL INCLUDE TWO LAKES, A PAGODA, CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA, TERRACE GARDEN AND RAVINE GARDEN, A PERFORMING AREA WITH COVERED STAGE AND THREE SOCCER PITCHES.

WORK IS EXPECTED TO START IN SEPTEMBER AND BE COMPLETED IN EARLY 1989.

TO FACILITATE DEVELOPMENT OF THE TOWN PARK, AT SHUI NGAU LING, ALL EXISTING ROADS, TRACKS AND FOOTPATHS WITHIN THE WORKS AREA ARE TO BE CLOSED BEFORE BEING DEMOLISHED AND LATER REPLACE BY A COMPREHENSIVE NEW FOOTWAY SYSTEM AND EIGHT MINOR FOOTBRIDGES.

MAJOR FOOTWAYS WHICH CAN BE USED AS ACCESS FOR EMERGENCY AND SERVICE VEHICLES WILL ALSO BE CONSTRUCTED.

THROUGHOUT THE CONSTRUCTION PERIOD, TEMPORARY PEDESTRIAN AND VEHICULAR ACCESS TO THE SCOUT HALL NEARBY WILL BE MAINTAINED.

TEMPORARY PEDESTRIAN ACCESS WILL ALSO BE PROVIDED TO THE WAR MEMORIAL ON TWO DAYS EACH MAY AND TO THE CLAN GRAVES AND THE KAM TAP AREA DURING THE CHING MING AND CHUNG YEUNG FESTIVALS.

ON COMPLETION OF THE WORKS, PERMANENT ACCESS TO THE SCOUT HALL, WAR MEMORIAL, CLAN GRAVES AND KAM TAP AREA WILL BE AVAILABLE.

DETAILS OF THE ROAD WORKS IN THE AFFECTED AREA ARE GIVEN IN THE LATEST GAZETTE.

OBJECTIONS TO THE PROJECT SHOULD REACH THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT BY APRIL 21.

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ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETS TOMORROW
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AT A MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE OF THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD TOMORROW (TUESDAY), MEMBERS WILL RAISE QUESTIONS REGARDING ENVIRONMENTAL NUISANCES CAUSED BY COOKED FOOD STALLS AND ADVERTISING POSTERS PUT UP ON WALLS OUTSIDE COMMERCIAL PREMISES.

QUESTIONS WILL ALSO ASKED REGARDING VACANT COOKED FOOD STALLS IN LOCKHART ROAD MARKET AND THE SETTING UP OF A BUILDING MANAGEMENT CO-ORDINATION TEAM IN THE DISTRICT.

THE PUBLIC IS WELCOME TO ATTEND THE MEETING WHICH WILL BE HELD IN THE DISTRICT OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM ON THE EIGHTH FLOOR OF TUNG WAH MANSION AT 201 HENNESSY ROAD AT 4 PM.

THOSE INTERESTED SHOULD CONTACT THE DISTRICT BOARD SECRETARIAT ON 5-8921239 TO RESERVE A SEAT.

THE PUBLIC IS ALSO WELCOME TO ATTEND THE MEETING OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES OF THE DISTRICT BOARD : COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE ON MARCH 3 AT 4 PM; TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE ON MARCH 10 AT 4 PM; AND THE CULTURE AND RECREATION COMMITTEE ON MARCH 17 AT 4 PM.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING AT 4 PM TOMORROW.

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HAMMOND INSPECTS FOOD PRODUCTION PLANT
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THE COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR, MR TONY HAMMOND, SPENT THIS (MONDAY) AFTERNOON VISITING A LARGE FOOD PRODUCTION FACTORY -- THE GARDEN COMPANY -- AT SHAM TSENG IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

HE WAS GREETED ON ARRIVAL BY THE COMPANY'S MANAGING DIRECTOR, MR STEPHEN CHEUNG, AND WAS SHOWN AROUND THE BUN AND BISCUIT PLANTS WHERE PRODUCTION IS FULLY MECHANISED.

DURING THE TOUR, MR HAMMOND LEARNED THAT THE COMPANY EMPLOYED AROUND 1 600 WORKERS AND MAINTAINED GOOD LABOUR RELATIONS THROUGH JOINT CONSULTATION.

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HE WAS PARTICULARLY PLEASED TO LEARN THAT THE COMPANY HAD SET UP A SAFETY COMMITTEE COMPRISING A SAFETY OFFICER AND SUPERVISORS OF DIFFERENT LINES OF PRODUCTION, TO PROMOTE INDUSTRIAL SAFETY AMONG WORKERS.

BEFORE CONCLUDING HIS VISIT, MR HAMMOND HAD A DISCUSSION WITH THE MANAGEMENT ON A WIDE RANGE OF SUBJECTS INCLUDING LABOUR LAWS, LABOUR RELATIONS AND INDUSTRIAL SAFETY MATTERS.

THE VISIT WAS THE FIRST IN A SERIES THIS YEAR TO ENABLE THE COMMISSIONER TO FAMILIARISE HIMSELF WITH LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN THE INDUSTRIAL AND LABOUR SCENE.

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SCREENING PLANT BEING BUILT AT NORTH POINT
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WORK ON CONSTRUCTING A SEWAGE SCREENING PLANT AT HEALTHY STREET WEST, NORTH POINT, HAS STARTED FOLLOWING THE AWARD OF A \$17.35 MILLION CONTRACT BY THE CIVIL ENGINEERING SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

DESIGNED TO SERVE 370 000 PEOPLE, THE PLANT WILL PROVIDE SCREENING AND DEGRITTING FACILITIES BEFORE DISCHARGE INTO THE HARBOUR VIA A NEW MULTI-PORT SUBMARINE OUTFALL OFF HEALTHY STREET WEST.

THE PROJECT INCLUDES BUILDING AN INLET PUMPING STATION, SCREENING CHAMBERS, GRIT TRAPS, PLANT HOUSE, A TRANSFORMER HOUSE, AN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, ANCILLARY STRUCTURES, LANDSCAPING, AND ASSOCIATED PIPEWORKS AND ROADWORKS.

CONSTRUCTION IS EXPECTED TO TAKE TWO YEARS. THE PROJECT WILL RESULT IN THE QUALITY OF WATER OFF NORTH POINT AND NEIGHBOURING AREA BEING MUCH IMPROVED.

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MORE STUDY ROOMS AVAILABLE IN KWUN TONG
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THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD WILL OPEN FOUR TEMPORARY STUDY ROOMS BETWEEN MARCH 1 AND MAY 31 FOR STUDENTS TO PREPARE FOR EXAMINATIONS.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD'S SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE, MR LI WAH-MING, SAID THE COMMITTEE WAS CONCERNED ABOUT THE PROVISION OF STUDY ROOM PLACES IN THE DISTRICT AND MEMBERS FOUND IT NECESSARY TO PROVIDE MORE FACILITIES FOR STUDENTS DURING THE EXAMINATION PERIOD.

THE FOUR STUDY ROOMS ARE THE ZION YOUTH SERVICES CENTRE IN KO CHIU ROAD ESTATE (3-492957), CARITAS SOCIAL CENTRE IN NGAU TAU KOK (3-7502707), THE SALVATION ARMY-LOK WAH CHILDREN YOUTH CENTRE (3-7580480) AND THE HONG KONG EVANGELICAL CHURCH-KO CHIU READING CENTRE (3-405489).

FOR DETAILS OF THE OPENING DAYS AND HOURS STUDENTS ARE WELCOME TO CONTACT THE FOUR STUDY ROOMS.

THE DISTRICT BOARD HAS ALLOCATED \$24 400 TO LOCAL VOLUNTARY AGENCIES FOR PROVIDING THE TEMPORARY STUDY ROOMS FOR STUDENTS. THIS PRACTICE HAS BEEN ADOPTED BY THE BOARD SINCE 1983.

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REST GARDEN BEING BUILT FOR SAU MAU PING
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A REST GARDEN COVERING AN AREA OF 4 200 SQUARE METRES IS TO BE CONSTRUCTED AT HIU KWONG STREET TO MEET THE RECREATIONAL NEEDS OF RESIDENTS OF SAU MAU PING.

THE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT HAS AWARDED A \$1.41 MILLION CONTRACT FOR THE PROJECT.

FACILITIES TO BE PROVIDED INCLUDE TWO PAVILIONS, ARBOURS, PLANTERS, A CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA WITH PLAY EQUIPMENT AND A STORE ROOM. AN AUTOMATIC LIGHTING SYSTEM WILL ALSO BE PROVIDED.

THERE WILL BE FIVE ENTRANCES TO THE REST GARDEN ON THE SIDE OF HIU KWONG STREET. BOLLARDS WILL BE ERECTED AT EACH ENTRANCE.

CONSTRUCTION WILL START EARLY NEXT MONTH AND TAKE EIGHT MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

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FOSTER CARE UNIT OFFICE MOVES
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THE CENTRAL FOSTER UNIT OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT HAS MOVED FROM WAN CHAI TO ITS NEW OFFICE ON SECOND FLOOR, ODEON BUILDING, 28 SHU KUK STREET, NORTH POINT.

THE OFFICE BEGAN OPERATIONS TODAY (MONDAY). THE NEW TELEPHONE NUMBERS ARE: 5-618651, 5-618946 AND 5-618504.

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WATER STORAGE FIGURE
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STORAGE IN HONG KONG'S RESERVOIRS AT 9 AM TODAY (MONDAY) STOOD AT 56.6 PER CENT OF CAPACITY OR 331.606 MILLION CUBIC METRES.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR THE RESERVOIRS CONTAINED 355.830 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF WATER, REPRESENTING 60.7 PER CENT OF CAPACITY.

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PERMANENT ROAD CLOSURE IN SHEUNG SHUI
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THE SECTION OF ROAD A1 BETWEEN CALTEX PETROL STATION AND JOCKEY CLUB CLINIC IN SHEUNG SHUI WILL BE CLOSED PERMANENTLY FROM 10 AM TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

TRAFFIC WILL BE DIVERTED TO THE NEW ROAD 601 AND ROAD L9 TO REJOIN JOCKEY CLUB ROAD.

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