



# DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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## RUNWAY EXTENSION IN USE IN A FEW WEEKS.

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THE BOUNDARIES OF THE PROHIBITED ENTRY AREA SURROUNDING THE APPROACHES TO THE AIRPORT RUNWAY AT KAI TAK HAVE BEEN REVISED TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF SHIPS AND AIRCRAFT WHEN THE EXTENDED RUNWAY COMES INTO OPERATION LATER THIS MONTH.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE BOUNDARIES OF THE PROHIBITED ANCHORAGE IN THE SOUTH-EASTERN APPROACHES TO THE RUNWAY HAVE ALSO BEEN AMENDED ALONG WITH THOSE OF THE KOWLOON BAY QUARANTINE ANCHORAGE, AND THE HUNG HOM FAIRWAY EXTENDED EASTWARDS.

THE NEW ARRANGEMENTS, CONTAINED IN THE MERCHANT SHIPPING (CONTROL OF PORTS) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 1974, ARE EFFECTIVE FROM TODAY (FRIDAY). THE EXTENDED RUNWAY IS SCHEDULED TO COME INTO OPERATION ON MAY 16 AND BY THAT TIME MARINE TRAFFIC WILL BE FULLY CONVERSANT WITH THE NEW ARRANGEMENTS.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE MARINE DEPARTMENT EXPLAINED THAT THE REALIGNMENTS WERE NECESSARY BECAUSE PART OF THE PRESENT KOWLOON BAY QUARANTINE ANCHORAGE LIES WITHIN THE RANGE OF AN INSTRUMENT LANDING SYSTEM (ILS) GLIDE PATH EQUIPMENT WHICH IS TO BE INSTALLED IN THE SOUTH-EASTERN END OF THE EXTENDED RUNWAY PROMONTORY.

THIS EQUIPMENT SENDS OUT ULTRA HIGH FREQUENCY SIGNALS WHICH INDICATE TO THE PILOT WHETHER THE PLANE IS FLYING WITHIN THE CORRECT GLIDE PATH, AND HELPS HIM TO LAND OR TAKEOFF SAFELY, HE SAID.

AS THE RADIO SIGNALS CAN BE DISTORTED BY METAL OBJECTS, SUCH AS THE SUPERSTRUCTURE OF A VESSEL WHICH PROTRUDES ABOVE A PREDETERMINED ANGLE TO THE EQUIPMENT, THE BOUNDARIES OF THE ANCHORAGE ARE BEING REVISED TO KEEP SHIPS AT A SAFE DISTANCE SO AS TO ELIMINATE INTERFERENCE.

THE REVISION OF THE PROHIBITED ANCHORAGE ON THE OTHER HAND TAKES INTO ACCOUNT THE REQUIREMENT BY THE INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANISATION FOR A SAFE APPROACH AND TAKE-OFF CLIMB AREA/SURFACE FOLLOWING THE EXTENSION OF THE RUNWAY.

THE KOWLOON BAY QUARANTINE ANCHORAGE IS NOW RENAMED EASTERN QUARANTINE ANCHORAGE. THE NEW PROHIBITED ANCHORAGE NOW EXTENDS FROM THE EASTERN EXTREMITY OF THE REVISED PROHIBITED ENTRY AREA IN A SOUTH-EASTERLY DIRECTION TO LEI YUE MUN.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE HUNG HOM FAIRWAY IS EXTENDED EASTWARDS AND A NEW EASTERN FAIRWAY IS ESTABLISHED TO ENSURE THAT VESSELS APPROACHING THE PORT THROUGH LEI YUE MUN DO NOT INTERFERE WITH THE FLIGHT PATH OF AIRCRAFT USING THE RUNWAY.

THESE REGULATIONS ALSO PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A DANGEROUS GOODS ANCHORAGE AT JUNK BAY. THE ANCHORAGE WILL BE USED AS A HOLDING AREA FOR SHIPS WHICH HAVE SUFFERED DAMAGE AND ON WHICH A SERIOUS RISK OF FIRE, EXPLOSION OR POLLUTION STILL EXIST.

VESSELS INTENDED FOR DEMOLITION BUT WHICH HAVE NOT YET BEEN GAS FREED MAY ALSO BE HELD IN THIS ANCHORAGE. MARINE DEPARTMENT NOTICES AND NOTICES TO MARINERS HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO ADVISE SHIPS USING THE HARBOUR OF THESE NEW ARRANGEMENTS.

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JANUARY ACCOUNTS SHOW \$185 MILLION SURPLUS

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THE GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 1974 SHOW A SURPLUS OF \$185 MILLION COMPARED WITH A SURPLUS OF \$343 MILLION IN JANUARY LAST YEAR.

THIS HAS RESULTED IN A TOTAL SURPLUS OF \$325 MILLION FOR THE FIRST TEN MONTHS OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1973-74.

TOTAL REVENUE FOR THE MONTH AT \$630 MILLION WAS \$81 MILLION LESS THAN IN JANUARY 1973 LARGELY AS A RESULT OF LOWER RECEIPTS FROM STAMP DUTIES AND LAND PREMIA. THE TOTAL REVENUE FOR THE FIRST TEN MONTHS OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1973-74 WAS \$4,178 MILLION -- \$235 MILLION MORE THAN THE SAME PERIOD THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

TOTAL EXPENDITURE AMOUNTED TO \$445 MILLION, AN INCREASE OF \$77 MILLION OVER THE SAME MONTH LAST YEAR. THIS BRINGS THE TOTAL EXPENDITURE FOR THE FIRST TEN MONTHS OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR TO \$3,853 MILLION, WHICH WAS \$812 MILLION MORE THAN THE SAME PERIOD THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

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TAI PO TAU TREATMENT WORKS

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EXTENSION WORK HAS BEEN COMPLETED ON THE TAI PO TAU TREATMENT WORKS, DOUBLING THE DAILY OUTPUT OF FRESH WATER TO MEET THE INCREASING DEMAND FROM SHEUNG SHUI, TAI PO AND FANLING RESIDENTS.

THE NEW INSTALLATIONS INVOLVED IN THE WORK, WHICH BEGAN AT THE BEGINNING OF LAST YEAR AND TOOK 15 MONTHS TO COMPLETE, CONSIST OF ONE CLARIFIER AND TWO SAND FILTERS WHOSE OUTPUT IS SIX MILLION GALLONS PER DAY.

THE CAPACITY OF THE WORKS HAS NOW INCREASED FROM SIX MILLION GALLONS TO 12 MILLION GALLONS PER DAY.

THE COST OF THE PROJECT, INCLUDING THE SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF THE TREATMENT PLANT, IS \$3.5 MILLION.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT SAID WORK WILL SOON START ON THE NEXT STAGE OF THE EXTENSION OF THE SHEUNG SHUI/TAI PO WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM WHICH WILL COMPRISE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SERVICE RESERVOIR AND THE LAYING OF MAINS.

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REACHING-OUT TO VILLAGE CHILDREN

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A REACHING-OUT PROGRAMME PROVIDING RECREATIONAL AND SPORTS ACTIVITIES FOR 450 CHILDREN FROM THREE VILLAGES IN TSUEN WAN DISTRICT WILL TAKE PLACE ON SUNDAY (MAY 5) AFTERNOON. IT WILL BE HELD AT THE TSUEN WAN PUBLIC SCHOOL IN ROUTE TWISK.

THE CHILDREN, WHOSE AGES RANGE FROM SEVEN TO 14, LIVE IN THE THREE NEIGHBOURING VILLAGES OF PAK TIN PUI, FU YUNG SHA AND SAI LAU KOK.

THIS EVENT HAS BEEN ARRANGED FOR THEM BY THE THREE VILLAGES RESIDENTS WELFARE ASSOCIATION AND THE SOCIAL SERVICES GROUP, ONE OF THE SELF-PROGRAMMING YOUTH GROUPS UNDER THE SPONSORSHIP OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT'S PRINCESS ALEXANDRA COMMUNITY CENTRE IN TSUEN WAN.

THE ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR THE DAY WILL START OFF WITH AN OPENING CEREMONY PRESIDED OVER BY MR. LAM FEI, PRESIDENT OF THE THREE VILLAGES RESIDENTS WELFARE ASSOCIATION, AND MRS. MARGARET AU, WARDEN OF THE COMMUNITY CENTRE.

THE CHILDREN WILL THEN BE DIVIDED INTO SMALL GROUPS LED BY SOME 40 VOLUNTEERS FROM THE SELF-PROGRAMMING YOUTH GROUP TO PARTICIPATE IN VARIOUS GROUP AND MASS GAMES.

APART FROM PROVIDING ENTERTAINMENT AND GROUP EXPERIENCE TO THESE VILLAGE CHILDREN, MRS. MARGARET AU SAID THIS EVENT PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY FOR SELF-PROGRAMMING GROUP MEMBERS TO CO-OPERATE WITH LOCAL COMMUNITY LEADERS IN SERVING THEIR YOUNG COUNTER-PARTS THROUGH ORGANISING SYSTEMATIC COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMMES.

IT IS ALSO ANOTHER STEP IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE VOLUNTEER SPIRIT, SHE ADDED.

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NOTE TO EDITORS: YOU ARE WELCOME TO COVER THIS FUNCTION. IT WILL START AT 2.00 P.M. AND FINISH AT 5.00 P.M. ON SUNDAY, MAY 5.

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CARITAS' TOWN YOUTH CENTRE OPEN DAY

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR. KENNETH TOPLEY, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPEN DAY FOR CARITAS' TOWN YOUTH CENTRE AT 3 O'CLOCK TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AFTERNOON.

THE YOUTH CENTRE IS LOCATED ON THE 14TH FLOOR OF ON LOK YUEN BUILDING AT 25, DES VOEUX ROAD, CENTRAL.

COPIES OF MR. TOPLEY'S SPEECH IN ENGLISH AND CHINESE WILL BE AVAILABLE IN G.I.S. TOMORROW.

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CONSUMER ADVISORY SERVICE

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THE FOLLOWING PRICES WERE REALISED TODAY (FRIDAY) AT SALES UNDER THE RICE CONTROL SCHEME AND AT THE VEGETABLE MARKETING ORGANISATION WHOLESALE MARKET AND THE FISH MARKETING ORGANISATION WHOLESALE MARKET AT CHEUNG SHA WAN, KOWLOON:

SUPPLIES AND WHOLESALE PRICES OF RICE

GRADE OF RICE CHINA RICE	AVAILABILITY OF SUPPLY	WHOLESALE PRICE(\$/CATTY) AVERAGE
SEE NEW		
- OLD CROP	--	-
- NEW CROP	GOOD	2.21
S.C.JIEN		
- OLD CROP	--	-
- NEW CROP	GOOD	2.16
PO NGAI	GOOD	1.72
CHU CHU	--	-
THAI RICE		
100% WHOLE	--	-
10-15% BROKENS	--	-
A1 SUPER EXTRA	GOOD	1.92
A1 SUPER	--	-
WHOLE GLUTINOUS	GOOD	2.03
U.S. RICE	GOOD	1.94
AUSTRALIAN RICE	GOOD	1.92
PAKISTAN RICE	--	-
TAIWAN RICE	--	-

SUPPLIES AND WHOLESALE PRICES OF SWINE

(CALL SOURCES)

AVAILABILITY OF SUPPLY	WHOLESALE PRICES OF PORKER (\$/PICUL-LIVE WEIGHT)
GOOD	305

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SUPPLIES AND WHOLESALE PRICES OF MARINE FISH

(FHO CHEUNG SHA WAN WHOLESALE FISH MARKET)

SPECIES	AVAILABILITY OF SUPPLY	WHOLESALE PRICE (\$/CATTY)		
		HIGH	LOW	MODE
GOLDEN THREAD	NORMAL	4.50	2.80	3.50
BIG-EYES	GOOD	2.50	0.70	1.50
SQUID	NORMAL	4.20	2.70	3.60
HAIR-TAILS	GOOD	1.50	0.70	1.30
LIZARD FISHES	NORMAL	2.30	1.30	1.80
CROAKERS	LIMITED	1.30	0.80	1.20
CUNGER-PIKE-EELS	GOOD	1.60	1.10	1.40
MELON COAT	--	NO SALES		
BREAMS	NORMAL	5.50	2.50	4.00
YELLOW BELLY	GOOD	2.10	0.50	1.20
MACKERELS	GOOD	4.10	3.20	3.50
RED GOAT FISH	GOOD	0.70	0.40	0.50
FORK-TAIL	NORMAL	1.50	0.60	1.20
HORSE-HEAD	NORMAL	5.50	3.00	4.20
MELON SEED	LIMITED	2.00	1.00	1.80
POMFRETS	SCARCE	9.00	7.50	8.00
GARROUPAS	NORMAL	7.50	5.00	6.00
YELLOW CROAKER	--	NO SALES		

SUPPLIES AND WHOLESALE PRICES OF LOCALLY PRODUCED VEGETABLES  
(V.M.O. CHEUNG SHA WAN WHOLESALE VEGETABLE MARKET)

TYPE OF VEGETABLE	AVAILABILITY OF SUPPLY	WHOLESALE PRICE (\$/CATTY)		
		HIGH	LOW	MODE
FLOWERING CABBAGE	LIMITED	1.60	0.80	1.20
WHITE CABBAGE	GOOD	0.50	0.10	0.30
CHINESE LETTUCE	GOOD	0.50	0.10	0.30
WATER SPINACH	GOOD	0.80	0.20	0.60
CHINESE KALE	LIMITED	1.40	0.50	1.00
STRING BEANS	--	--	--	--
SPRING ONION	NORMAL	1.00	0.20	0.60
SPINACH	SCARCE	1.00	0.40	0.70
WATER CRESS	NORMAL	0.80	0.20	0.60
LEAF MUSTARD CABBAGE	NORMAL	0.50	0.10	0.35
CHINESE SPINACH	NORMAL	0.60	0.15	0.40
TOMATO	NORMAL	1.40	0.40	0.80

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