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GOVERNOR TO OPEN SAI KUNG TANG SHIU KIN SPORTS GROUND
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THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, WILL OFFICIALLY OPEN THE NEWLY BUILT SAI KUNG TANG SHIU KIN SPORTS GROUND ON FRIDAY (MAY 27).

THE SPORTS GROUND, COMPLETED EARLY THIS YEAR, HAS BECOME A SPORTS CENTRE FOR YOUNGSTERS IN SAI KUNG, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY.

IT HAS BEEN FULLY BOOKED SINCE ITS OPENING IN MARCH AND MORE THAN 300 EVENTS HAVE BEEN HELD THERE.

THE SPORTS GROUND WAS BUILT AT THE COST OF \$6 MILLION, FUNDED JOINTLY BY THE GOVERNMENT AND SIR SHIU-KIN TANG.

THE SPORTS GROUND, WITH AN AREA OF 24 000 SQUARE METRES, IS LOCATED NEXT TO THE SAI KUNG POLICE STATION, WITHIN A WALKING DISTANCE OF THE TOWN CENTRE.

IT HAS A FULL-SIZE TURFED SOCCER PITCH WITH FLOODLIGHTS AND AN ELECTRONIC TIMER AND SCOREBOARD, A SIX-LANE ALL-WEATHER RUNNING TRACK AND A WIDE RANGE OF TRACK-AND-FIELD FACILITIES.

ITS OTHER FEATURES INCLUDE A BASKETBALL COURT WHICH CAN BE CONVERTED FOR VOLLEYBALL, A COVERED STAND FOR OVER 1 000 SPECTATORS, A REFRESHMENT KIOSK, CHANGING ROOMS AND SPECIAL FACILITIES FOR THE DISABLED.

SIR SHIU-KIN TANG, THE DIRECTOR OF URBAN SERVICES, MR BRIAN WILSON, AND THE DIRECTOR OF NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES, MR JOHN HEYWOOD, WILL JOIN THE GOVERNOR AT THE OPENING CEREMONY.

ALSO TAKING PART IN THE FUNCTION WILL BE THE REGIONAL SECRETARY (NEW TERRITORIES), MR HAIDER BARMA, THE DISTRICT OFFICER OF SAI KUNG, MR CHAN SUI-JEUNG, THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (OPERATIONS) OF THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES, MR BOWEN LEUNG, AND THE CHAIRMEN OF SAI KUNG AND HANG HAU RURAL COMMITTEES, MR CHUNG PUN AND MR YAU KEI.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE SPORTS GROUND AT 3.30 PM ON FRIDAY (MAY 27). INFORMATION OFFICERS OF THE NTSD WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST THE PRESS.

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NEW ID CARD SCHEME GETS GOOD RESPONSE

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A TOTAL OF 33 000 MEN BORN IN 1964 APPLIED FOR NEW HONG KONG IDENTITY CARDS BETWEEN MAY 2, WHEN THE NEW ID CARD SCHEME WAS LAUNCHED, AND LAST FRIDAY (MAY 20), A SPOKESMAN FOR THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY.

THIS FIGURE REPRESENTS 55 PER CENT OF THE ESTIMATED TOTAL NUMBER OF MEN IN THIS AGE GROUP.

+THE 19-YEAR-OLDS HAVE BEEN VERY CO-OPERATIVE IN COMING FORWARD, RESULTING IN THE SMOOTH RUNNING OF THE FIRST PHASE OF THE SCHEME,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

HE URGED THE REMAINING 45 PER CENT TO GET THEIR NEW CARDS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

+IN FACT, THERE ARE ONLY 12 WORKING DAYS LEFT BEFORE THE CLOSING DATE - JUNE 4,+ HE SAID.

HE ADVISED THEM NOT TO WAIT UNTIL THE LAST FEW DAYS.

+THE SOONER THEY APPLY, THE QUICKER THEY WILL GET THEIR NEW CARDS. IF THEY APPLY NOW, THEY CAN AVOID THE LAST MINUTE RUSH,+ HE SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN REMINDED THOSE WHO HAD NOT YET APPLIED THAT THE EIGHT NEW ID CARD ISSUING OFFICES ARE OPEN FROM 8 AM TO 9.30 PM, FROM MONDAYS TO SATURDAYS.

+SO IF THEY ARE BUSY IN THE DAYTIME, THEY CAN ALWAYS GO THERE IN THE EVENING OR AT WEEKENDS,+ HE SAID.

+THE APPLICANTS MUST BRING WITH THEM THEIR OLD ID CARDS, AND THE PROCESSING WILL TAKE ONLY HALF AN HOUR,+ HE ADDED.

THOSE 19-YEAR-OLDS WHO ARE AWAY FROM HONG KONG AND WILL NOT BE BACK BEFORE THE CLOSING DATE, MUST APPLY WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THEIR RETURN.

ANY PEOPLE, INCLUDING 19-YEAR-OLDS, WHO WANT TO HAVE THEIR LOST OR DAMAGED ID CARDS REPLACED, OR THEIR PARTICULARS CHANGED, SHOULD GO TO THE REGULAR REGISTRATION OF PERSONS OFFICES, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE NEW ID CARD SCHEME SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO 5-7956066 (CHINESE LANGUAGE) OR 5-7909393 (ENGLISH LANGUAGE).

HONG KONG INDUSTRIALISTS FIND MISSION TO EUROPE FRUITFUL
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NINE LOCAL INDUSTRIALISTS REPRESENTING A WIDE RANGE OF INDUSTRIES WHO TOOK PART IN A MISSION TO SWEDEN AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, HAVE RECENTLY RETURNED WITH PLANS FOR POSSIBLE CO-OPERATION AGREEMENTS.

THE 12-DAY MISSION, ORGANISED BY THE INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT AND SPONSORED BY OFFICIAL ORGANISATIONS IN THE TWO COUNTRIES, WAS LED BY THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY, MR PAUL WONG. OTHER OFFICIAL DELEGATES INCLUDED MR VIC MILLER, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF THE HONG KONG INDUSTRIAL ESTATES CORPORATION AND MR JOHN LO, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF TEK DEVICES LTD.

+I CONSIDER THIS WAS A VERY USEFUL EXERCISE FOR HONG KONG MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY,+ MR JOHN LO SAID.

+I AM HAPPY TO SAY THAT THE MISSION WAS A SUCCESS, JUDGING FROM THE RESPONSE FROM THE OVERSEAS INDUSTRIALISTS. THE PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN THE HONG KONG AND OVERSEAS INDUSTRIALISTS HAVE LAID THE FOUNDATION UPON WHICH TECHNOLOGY TRANSFERS WILL BE ABLE TO DEVELOP,+ HE ADDED.

COMMENTING ON THE SUCCESS OF THE MISSION, MR CHARLES LEUNG, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF YING KEE SAFE AND FURNITURE MANUFACTURING CO. LTD., SAID, +I AM PLEASED WITH THE MISSION ARRANGEMENTS, WHICH ENABLE ME TO NEGOTIATE WITH OVERSEAS MANUFACTURERS OF ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY. MEANWHILE, WE ARE NEGOTIATING WITH SEVERAL COMPANIES FOR CO-OPERATION IN THE MANUFACTURE OF SAFES OF SOPHISTICATED DESIGNS.+

+MY PARTICIPATION WAS VERY FRUITFUL. IT GAVE ME AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLORE A NEW AREA OF TECHNOLOGY IN MACHINERY DESIGN AND PRODUCTION WHICH WE HAVE BEEN LOOKING FOR IN ORDER TO UPGRADE THE CAPABILITY AND QUALITY OF OUR MACHINE TOOLS,+ MR C. CHIANG, DIRECTOR OF CHEN HSONG MACHINERY LTD., SAID.

THE ITINERARY OF THE MISSION INCLUDED SEMINARS IN STOCKHOLM, GOTHENBURG, STUTTGART AND MUNICH WHICH PROVIDED OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE DELEGATION TO MEET WITH POTENTIAL PARTNERS.

DISCUSSIONS WERE ALSO HELD WITH THE SWEDISH TRADE COUNCIL, THE GOTHENBURG AND WESTERN SWEDEN GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, THE STUTTGART CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE BAVARIAN STATE MINISTRY OF ECONOMICS AND TRANSPORT.

IN THE INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS FOLLOWING THE SEMINARS, THE DELEGATES WERE ABLE TO FURTHER DISCUSS POSSIBLE INDUSTRIAL CO-OPERATION ARRANGEMENTS.

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POLICEMAN ON BEAT IS FRIEND IN TIMES OF NEED

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TO MANY PEOPLE, THE POLICEMAN ON THE BEAT IS OFTEN THE FIRST AND PERHAPS THE ONLY AVAILABLE FRIEND IN TIMES OF NEED.

THIS IS BORNE OUT BY THE FACT THAT 8 320 PEOPLE APPROACHED PATROLLING POLICEMEN FOR VARIOUS KINDS OF ASSISTANCE DURING THE FIRST QUARTER OF THIS YEAR. THIS REPRESENTED AN INCREASE OF 29.4 PER CENT OVER THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD IN 1982.

"IT IS VERY ENCOURAGING BECAUSE INDIVIDUAL POLICE OFFICERS ARE BEING APPROACHED BY MORE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC," A POLICE SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

"IT ALSO PROVES THE VALUE OF MAINTAINING A STRONG POLICE PRESENCE IN THE STREETS," HE ADDED.

THIS UPWARD TREND WAS ACCOMPANIED BY A STEADY INCREASE IN THE TOTAL NUMBER OF REQUESTS FOR POLICE ASSISTANCE IN THE FIRST QUARTER.

BETWEEN JANUARY AND MARCH 1983, POLICE RECEIVED 158 650 SUCH REQUESTS, A RISE OF FOUR PER CENT OVER THE CORRESPONDING QUARTER IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

AND, OUT OF THIS TOTAL, 116 225 OR ABOUT THREE-QUARTERS OF THESE REQUESTS WERE FOR ASSISTANCE ON MATTERS NOT RELATED TO CRIME AT ALL.

"THESE INCLUDED ASSISTANCE IN SETTLING DOMESTIC DISPUTES, NUISANCE COMPLAINTS, ATTENDING TO ACCIDENT VICTIMS, LOOKING FOR LOST CHILDREN, HANDLING FOUND PROPERTY AND EVEN DEALING WITH STRAY DOGS AND SNAKES," THE SPOKESMAN NOTED.

HE POINTED OUT THAT ALTHOUGH THE HANDLING OF THESE CASES MAY NOT REQUIRE SHREWD DETECTIVE ABILITIES, IT CERTAINLY NEEDS SWIFT ACTION, A GOOD GENERAL KNOWLEDGE, A LOT OF COMMON SENSE, AND ABOVE ALL, PATIENCE AND UNDERSTANDING.

"THE FACT THAT INDIVIDUAL OFFICERS HAVE DEALT WITH THESE REQUESTS PROMPTLY REFLECTS FAVOURABLY ON THE EFFICIENCIES OF THE FORCE AND HAS GONE A LONG WAY TOWARDS IMPROVING THE RAPPORT BETWEEN THE PUBLIC AND THE POLICE," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"THE STEADY INCREASE IN REQUESTS FOR POLICE HELP, PARTICULARLY IN MATTERS NOT RELATING TO CRIME, IS MOST HEARTENING BECAUSE IT INDICATES THAT SUSTAINED POLICE PUBLIC RELATIONS EFFORTS ARE PAYING DIVIDENDS AND THAT PEOPLE ARE LOOKING TO THE POLICE AS FRIENDS THEY WILL TURN TO IN TIMES OF NEED," HE ADDED.

APART FROM REQUESTS FOR GENERAL ASSISTANCE, ANOTHER 19 155 PEOPLE, OR 12.1 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL, REQUESTED POLICE HELP IN CRIME-RELATED MATTERS WHILE A FURTHER 23 270 OR 14.7 PER CENT ASKED FOR ASSISTANCE IN RELATION TO MISCELLANEOUS AND MINOR NARCOTICS OFFENCES.

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ANALYSING THE WAYS IN WHICH THESE REQUESTS WERE MADE, THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE MOST POPULAR METHOD CONTINUED TO BE MAKING REPORTS AT POLICE STATIONS IN PERSON, WHICH ACCOUNTED FOR 67 432 CASES OR 42.5 PER CENT OF TOTAL REQUESTS.

THIS WAS FOLLOWED BY REQUESTS MADE BY TELEPHONE.

"DURING THE QUARTER, 43 850 REQUESTS WERE RECEIVED OVER THE TELEPHONE, 32 947 OR OVER 75 PER CENT OF WHICH WERE MADE TO THE 999 CONTROL CENTRES," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"IT IS OBVIOUS THAT MORE PEOPLE REALISE THAT THIS IS THE MOST DIRECT AND QUICKEST WAY TO GET HELP FROM THE POLICE," HE NOTED.

NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICE UNITS AND REPORT CENTRES CONTINUED TO BE HIGHLY UTILISED WITH 38 945 REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE -- 24.5 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL -- RECEIVED AT VARIOUS CENTRES THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY DURING THE FIRST QUARTER.

IN THE SAME PERIOD, 103 REQUESTS WERE RECEIVED BY MARINE POLICE LAUNCHES ON PATROL.

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MODERN APPROACH IN MONITORING SEVERE WEATHER
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STATE-OF-THE-ART TECHNOLOGY AND EQUIPMENT HAVE PROVIDED THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY WITH THE TOOLS TO DETECT AND TRACK SEVERE WEATHER SYSTEMS.

OVER THE YEARS, THE OBSERVATORY HAS INSTALLED MODERN EQUIPMENT TO PROBE THE ATMOSPHERE, AND TO GATHER, PROCESS AND STORE WEATHER INFORMATION SO THAT IT CAN NOW ISSUE TIMELY WARNINGS ON TROPICAL CYCLONES AND OTHER SEVERE WEATHER SYSTEMS.

+THE DAYS ARE GONE WHEN WE HAD TO RELY ON SPOTTY AND SCATTERED INFORMATION FOR THIS TYPE OF IMPORTANT FORECAST,+ MR ROBERT LAU, SENIOR SCIENTIFIC OFFICER OF THE OBSERVATORY'S METEOROLOGICAL SERVICES DIVISION, SAID.

+TODAY, WE CAN DETECT AND TRACK ANY SEVERE WEATHER SYSTEM ONCE IT IS FORMED IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION, AND GIVE TIMELY WARNING TO THE PUBLIC IF IT POSES ANY THREAT TO HONG KONG,+ MR LAU SAID.

AMONG THE ADVANCED EQUIPMENT ACQUIRED IN RECENT YEARS IS A \$1.9-MILLION GROUND STATION FOR RECEIVING AND PROCESSING IMAGERIES FROM JAPAN'S METEOROLOGICAL SATELLITE.

THESE IMAGERIES ARE PICTURES OF TEMPERATURE DISTRIBUTIONS RECORDED BY SCANNING RADIOMETERS INSTALLED IN THE SATELLITE. THE PICTURES ARE TRANSMITTED VIA MICROWAVE BACK TO THE EARTH STATIONS.

OPERATING 35 800 KILOMETRES ABOVE THE EQUATOR AT 140 DEGREES EAST, THE SATELLITE CONTINUALLY MONITORS THE CHANGING WEATHER CONDITIONS OVER THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION,

+THIS EXTENSIVE COVERAGE CAN GIVE WEATHER FORECASTERS A BIRD'S EYE VIEW OF WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE ATMOSPHERE THROUGHOUT THE REGION,+ MR LAU EXPLAINED.

THIS OVERALL VIEW IS IMPORTANT IN WEATHER FORECASTING AS LOCAL WEATHER CONDITIONS CANNOT BE ISOLATED FROM THE GLOBAL WEATHER SYSTEMS, HE STRESSED.

+SMALL CUMULUS CLOUDS, VOLCANO ERUPTIONS AND SEA FOG CAN ALSO BE DETECTED BECAUSE OF THE SHARPNESS OF THE IMAGERIES,+ MR LAU EXPLAINED.

+BY ANALYSING THE SATELLITE IMAGERIES, WE CAN DETECT AND TRACK SEVERE WEATHER PHENOMENA, SUCH AS TROPICAL CYCLONES AND THUNDERSTORMS,+ HE SAID.

THE SATELLITE GROUND RECEIVING STATION CAN ALSO DISPLAY A SERIES OF IMAGERIES IN ANIMATION ON A TELEVISION SCREEN.

+BY OBSERVING THE SERIES -- WHICH REPRESENTS THE MOVEMENTS AND DEVELOPMENT OF WEATHER SYSTEMS OVER A PERIOD OF TIME -- HONG KONG'S METEOROLOGISTS CAN TRACK TROPICAL CYCLONES ANYWHERE IN THE WESTERN PACIFIC AND THE SOUTH CHINA SEA REGION,+ MR LAU ADDED.

THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY IS ALSO EQUIPPED WITH A WEATHER RADAR FOR MONITORING PRECIPITATION, THUS PROVIDING INSTANT INFORMATION ON RAINFALL WITHIN THE RADIUS OF 240 NAUTICAL MILES FROM FEI NGO SHAN.

+BY STUDYING THE PATTERN AND INTENSITY OF RADAR ECHOES, OUR WEATHERMEN CAN BETTER ESTIMATE AND FORECAST THE DURATION AND AMOUNT OF RAINFALL AROUND HONG KONG,+ MR LAU SAID.

THE USE OF ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY, EQUIPMENT AND TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES HAS TURNED HONG KONG INTO A MAJOR GLOBAL CENTRE FOR THE EXCHANGE OF WEATHER INFORMATION.

WITHIN ASIA, THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY IS NOW LINKED DIRECTLY TO BEIJING BY LAND LINE, TOKYO BY SUBMARINE CABLE AND BANGKOK BY SATELLITE.

+IN EXCHANGE FOR OUR WEATHER INFORMATION, THESE THREE CENTRES RELAY THEIRS TO US ROUND THE CLOCK,+ HE SAID.

TODAY, 2 500 METEOROLOGICAL STATIONS AROUND THE WORLD EXCHANGE WEATHER DATA WITH HONG KONG, COMPARED WITH ONLY ABOUT 100 IN THE LATE 1940'S.

THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY NOW USES COMPUTERS TO PROCESS, ANALYSE AND STORE THE VAST POOL OF GLOBAL WEATHER INFORMATION.

+WITH ALL THESE DATA AND CAPABILITY, WE ARE IN A MUCH BETTER POSITION TODAY TO FORECAST GENERAL WEATHER CONDITIONS AND ISSUE TIMELY WARNINGS ON TROPICAL CYCLONES AND OTHER HAZARDOUS WEATHER,+ MR LAU SAID.

MASS MEDIA MANPOWER SURVEY REPORT PUBLISHED

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A REPORT ON THE MANPOWER SURVEY OF THE MASS MEDIA CONDUCTED IN DECEMBER 1981 BY THE JOURNALISM TRAINING BOARD OF THE FORMER HONG KONG TRAINING COUNCIL HAS JUST BEEN PUBLISHED.

THE REPORT, ON SALE AT \$14 A COPY AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE IN CENTRAL, SETS OUT TO GIVE IN ENGLISH AND CHINESE, AN OVERALL REVIEW OF THE MANPOWER AND TRAINING SITUATION IN THE MASS MEDIA INDUSTRY.

COMMENTING ON THE FINDINGS OF THE SURVEY, MR SHUM CHOI-SANG, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD, SAID, +AS REFLECTED BY THE SURVEY FINDINGS, IN-HOUSE PRACTICAL TRAINING PROGRAMMES ARE SCARCE.+

THE HONG KONG TRAINING COUNCIL WAS REPLACED BY THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL IN FEBRUARY, 1982.

MR CHOI ADDED THAT IF THE MASS MEDIA WERE TO PROVIDE THE PUBLIC WITH ACCURATE INFORMATION AND COMMENTS, THE PROFESSIONAL SKILLS, SALARIES AND LEVELS OF EDUCATION OF JOURNALISTS HAD TO BE IMPROVED.

+THIS IS PROMPTED BY THE FACT THAT GENERAL EDUCATIONAL LEVELS CONTINUE TO BE RAISED AND THE DEMANDS ON THE MASS MEDIA BECOME MORE COMPLEX AND SOPHISTICATED,+ HE SAID.

IN THE REPORT, THE BOARD HAS MADE A NUMBER OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPROVING JOURNALISM TRAINING IN HONG KONG.

MR SHUM POINTED OUT THAT ONE OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS WAS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A MINIMUM PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATION FOR JOURNALISTS, POSSIBLY WITH THE HELP OF THE JOURNALISM TRAINING BOARD.

HE EMPHASISED THAT THE BOARD, EMPLOYERS IN THE INDUSTRY, PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD WORK TOGETHER TO IMPLEMENT THE PROGRAMMES.

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FREE EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL EMPLOYMENT SERVICE OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT ARE COMPLETELY FREE OF CHARGE, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT STRESSED TODAY (SUNDAY).

HE WAS COMMENTING ON REPORTS THAT PEOPLE POSING AS OFFICERS FROM THE SERVICE HAD BEEN SOLICITING MONEY FROM JOB-SEEKERS.

THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT THE SERVICE NOW OPERATES 15 BRANCH OFFICES IN MAJOR INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL AREAS ON HONG KONG ISLAND AS WELL AS IN KOWLOON AND THE NEW TERRITORIES, PROVIDING FREE SERVICES TO BOTH EMPLOYERS AND JOB-SEEKERS.

THE SERVICE REGISTERS ALL CATEGORIES OF JOB-SEEKERS, RANGING FROM UNSKILLED WORKERS AND LABOURERS TO UNIVERSITY GRADUATES AND PROFESSIONALS.

JOB-SEEKERS WHO POSSESS POST-SECONDARY OR PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS MAY REGISTER WITH THE SPECIAL REGISTER.

TO RECRUIT STAFF, AN EMPLOYER ONLY NEEDS TO CONTACT ANY BRANCH OFFICE OF THE SERVICE BY TELEPHONE OR IN PERSON, GIVING PARTICULARS OF VACANT POSTS, TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT, PLUS SKILLS, EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED.

AS SOON AS A VACANCY ORDER IS RECEIVED, STAFF OF THE SERVICE WILL SELECT SUITABLE CANDIDATES FROM THE REGISTER OF JOB-SEEKERS FOR INTRODUCTION TO THE PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYER.

WHETHER THE EMPLOYER OFFERS EMPLOYMENT TO A CANDIDATE OR WHETHER THE CANDIDATE ACCEPTS THE OFFER IS ENTIRELY VOLUNTARY.

VACANCIES NOTIFIED BY EMPLOYERS ARE DISPLAYED AT ALL OFFICES OF THE SERVICE, ENABLING JOB-SEEKERS TO MAKE PRELIMINARY SELECTION BY MEASURING THEIR OWN SKILLS, QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPECTATIONS WITH THE REQUIREMENTS AND TERMS OF THE VACANCIES.

THE SERVICE IS EQUIPPED WITH A FACSIMILE SYSTEM TO TRANSMIT PARTICULARS TO ALL ITS BRANCH OFFICES SO THAT SUITABLE CANDIDATES CAN BE SELECTED FROM THE COMBINED POOL OF REGISTERED JOB-SEEKERS AND INTRODUCED TO THE EMPLOYER WITHIN A SHORT TIME.

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MORE PUPILS TAKING PART IN SCHOOL MEDICAL SERVICE

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THERE HAS BEEN A STEADY INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF SCHOOL CHILDREN TAKING PART IN THE SCHOOL MEDICAL SERVICE.

AT THE END OF THE LAST FINANCIAL YEAR, ENROLMENT STOOD AT 281 563 PUPILS FROM 859 SCHOOLS, AN INCREASE OF ABOUT 36 700 PUPILS, OR 15 PER CENT, OVER THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

A TOTAL OF 251 PRIVATE DOCTORS ARE TAKING PART IN THE SCHEME, WHICH IS DESIGNED TO PROVIDE ECONOMICAL MEDICAL TREATMENT TO SCHOOL CHILDREN FROM PRIMARY ONE TO FORM THREE.

MORE THAN 80 PER CENT OF THE PARTICIPATING SCHOOL CHILDREN ARE IN THE SIX TO 12 YEARS AGE GROUP.

UNDER THE SCHEME, WHICH IS VOLUNTARY FOR DOCTORS, SCHOOLS AND PUPILS, THE PUPIL PAYS \$5 A YEAR AND RECEIVES MEDICAL ATTENTION AND MEDICINE FROM A DOCTOR CHOSEN BY THE SCHOOL.

A PUPIL MAY JOIN THE SCHEME AT ANY TIME OF THE YEAR AND IS ENTITLED TO 12 MONTHS' MEDICAL TREATMENT FROM THE DATE OF ENROLMENT.

THE SCHEME IS HEAVILY SUBSIDISED BY THE GOVERNMENT, WHICH CONTRIBUTES \$50 A YEAR FOR EACH PUPIL ENROLLED.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE SCHOOL MEDICAL SERVICE BOARD SAID ALTHOUGH PARTICIPATION IN THE SCHEME WAS LESS THAN 35 PER CENT OF SOME 800 000 ELIGIBLE SCHOOL CHILDREN, THERE WERE MANY REASONS WHY MORE HAD NOT JOINED.

ALTERNATIVES OPEN TO PARENTS INCLUDED THEIR OWN FAMILY DOCTORS, CHARITABLE ORGANISATIONS OFFERING LOW-COST MEDICAL ATTENTION AND GOVERNMENT OUTPATIENT CLINICS, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THERE WAS ALSO THE TRADITIONAL HERBALIST WHO CHARGED A FEE PER VISIT, HE ADDED.

+ANOTHER REASON FOR THE COMPARATIVELY LOW ENROLMENT COULD BE THAT THE HEALTH OF THE SCHOOL POPULATION AS A WHOLE IS SOUND, LEADING SOME SCHOOL PRINCIPALS AND PARENTS TO SEE LITTLE IMMEDIATE BENEFIT IN AN INSURANCE-ORIENTED MEDICAL SCHEME,+ HE SAID.

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ROAD PROJECT FOR TSING YI

THE TSUEN WAN NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT OFFICE OF THE NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT PROPOSES TO CONSTRUCT A NUMBER OF NEW ROADS NEAR TSING YI TOWN AND TO EXTEND TSING YI ROAD, CHING HONG ROAD AND CHUNG MEI ROAD TO SERVE THE NEARBY HOUSING ESTATES, A HOME OWNERSHIP SCHEME, AND THE FUTURE TOWN CENTRE.

THE PROJECT, WHICH FORMS PART OF THE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME FOR TSING YI TOWN, WILL ALSO INCLUDE THE CONSTRUCTION OF FIVE FOOTBRIDGES AT DIFFERENT LOCATIONS TO PROVIDE SAFE CROSSING FOR PEDESTRIAN.

A NOTICE CONCERNING THE PROPOSED WORKS WAS PUBLISHED IN THE LATEST GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

A PLAN SHOWING THE PROJECT CAN BE SEEN AT THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, CENTRAL ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING, MAIN ENTRANCE LOBBY; THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE, 9-1/2 MILESTONE, CASTLE PEAK ROAD, 3RD FLOOR, HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK BUILDING, TSUEN WAN; THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT OFFICE, 210 CASTLE PEAK ROAD, 2ND FLOOR, TSUEN WAN; AND THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT OFFICE, TSING YI SUB-OFFICE, 113 CHING WAI HOUSE, CHEUNG CHING ESTATE, TSING YI, NEW TERRITORIES.

ANY OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSAL MUST BE SENT TO THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS BY JULY 19, 1983.

PIER TO EXPAND DOCKYARD FACILITIES

THE GOVERNMENT INTENDS TO CONSTRUCT A SHIPLIFT PIER AT YAU MA TEI WITHIN THE LIMITS OF A 0.58-HECTARE AREA OF FORESHORE AND SEABED.

THE PIER IS TO INCREASE THE CAPACITY OF GOVERNMENT DOCKYARD FACILITIES TO MEET THE MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS OF THE EXPANDING GOVERNMENT FLEET.

THE EXTENT OF THE AREA AFFECTED IS DESCRIBED IN A NOTICE PUBLISHED IN THE LATEST GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

ANY OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSAL SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO THE DIRECTOR OF LANDS WITHIN TWO MONTHS.

THE NOTICE, IN ENGLISH AND CHINESE, WITH ITS RELATED PLAN CAN BE SEEN ON NOTICE BOARDS NEAR THE SITE.

THE PLAN MAY ALSO BE SEEN AT THE SURVEY DIVISION OF THE LANDS DEPARTMENT, 5TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG OR THE YAU MA TEI DISTRICT OFFICE, GROUND FLOOR, 490-492 NATHAN ROAD, HOP FAT COMMERCIAL CENTRE, KOWLOON.

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MORE POST OFFICES ACCEPTING ON-DEMAND SPEEDPOST ITEMS
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SIX MORE POST OFFICES WILL ACCEPT ON-DEMAND SPEEDPOST ITEMS, STARTING FROM JUNE 1, THE POSTMASTER GENERAL ANNOUNCED TODAY.

THEY ARE THE ABERDEEN, CAUSEWAY BAY, TSAT TSZ MUI, WONG CHUK HANG, TSUEN WAN AND KWAI FONG POST OFFICES.

THE EXTENSION WILL BRING THE NUMBER OF POST OFFICES ACCEPTING ON-DEMAND SPEEDPOST ITEMS TO 15.

THE EXISTING NINE POST OFFICES OFFERING THIS FACILITY ARE: THE GENERAL POST OFFICE, KOWLOON CENTRAL POST OFFICE, TSIM SHA TSUI POST OFFICE, INTERNATIONAL MAIL CENTRE, HENNESSY ROAD POST OFFICE, CHEUNG SHA WAN POST OFFICE, GILLIES AVENUE POST OFFICE, SAN PO KONG POST OFFICE AND KWUN TONG POST OFFICE.

THIS EXTENSION OF ACCEPTANCE SERVICES WILL MAKE IT MORE CONVENIENT FOR THE PUBLIC TO POST URGENT DOCUMENTS, SAMPLES OF GOODS AND MERCHANDISE TO 21 COUNTRIES IN THE SPEEDPOST NETWORK.

FURTHER INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE POST OFFICE ENQUIRY BUREAU AT 5-2671222.

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MODEL PEDESTRIANS IN EASTERN
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THIRTY EASTERN DISTRICT RESIDENTS WERE SELECTED MODEL PEDESTRIANS THIS (SUNDAY) MORNING FOR THEIR OBEDIENCE AND GOOD OBSERVANCE OF ROAD SAFETY REGULATIONS.

TEAMS OF ADJUDICATORS MADE THE SELECTION AT SIX DIFFERENT LOCATIONS IN THE DISTRICT WHERE TRAFFIC WAS HEAVY.

THE MODEL PEDESTRIANS, INCLUDING WORKERS, HOUSEWIVES AND STUDENTS, WERE EACH PRESENTED, ON THE SPOT, WITH A SPECIAL AWARD DESIGNED IN THE FORM OF A TRAFFIC LIGHT.

THE EVENT WAS PART OF THE DISTRICT'S MONTH-LONG ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN WHICH BEGAN ON MAY 16 TO EDUCATE LOCAL RESIDENTS, PARTICULARLY THOSE BETWEEN THE AGES OF FIVE AND 18, ON ROAD REGULATIONS.

THE ADJUDICATORS INCLUDED THE POLICE DIVISIONAL COMMANDER FOR CAUSEWAY BAY, MR C.P. LEUNG; THE POLICE DIVISIONAL COMMANDER FOR CHAI WAN, MR Y.W. CHOW; DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS; STAFF OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICE AND CHAIRMEN OF AREA COMMITTEES.

IN THE AFTERNOON, A CARNIVAL FEATURING A ROAD SAFETY TOWN, A POP CONCERT AND A DISPLAY OF VINTAGE CARS WAS HELD AT THE VICTORIA PARK.

/CAPTAIN SAFETY,

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CAPTAIN SAFETY, A CHARACTER CREATED TO PROMOTE THE CAMPAIGN, SHARED THE FUN WITH THOUSANDS OF CHILDREN AND TAUGHT THEM ROAD SAFETY RULES.

AS PART OF THE CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES, POLICE REPRESENTATIVES ARE ORGANISING SEMINARS AND SLIDE SHOWS FOR SCHOOLS IN THE DISTRICT.

THE POLICE WILL ALSO STEP UP ACTION AGAINST PEOPLE VIOLATING ROAD SAFETY REGULATIONS.

IN ADDITION, A VARIETY SHOW ON ROAD SAFETY WILL BE HELD AT 1.30 PM ON JUNE 4 AT THE YUE WAN SQUARE FOR CHAI WAN RESIDENTS.

TODAY'S CARNIVAL WAS OPENED BY THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR H.T. LUI; THE POLICE DISTRICT COMMANDER FOR EASTERN, MR F.S. KAVANAGH; AND THE POLICE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT (TRAFFIC HONG KONG ISLAND), MR J.H. WALKER.

SPONSORED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD, THE CAMPAIGN HAS BEEN ORGANISED BY THE EASTERN DISTRICT ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE CHAIRED BY A LOCAL COMMUNITY LEADER, MR CHEUNG KAM-TIM.

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WING FONG STREET MARKET STALLS FOR BIDDING * * * * *

TWENTY-SIX STALLS AT THE WING FONG STREET MARKET IN KWAI CHUNG WILL BE PUT UP FOR BIDDING ON THURSDAY (MAY 26).

THE BIDDING WILL START AT 10 AM IN THE KWAI FONG COMMUNITY HALL, LAI FONG STREET, KWAI CHUNG, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

ONE STALL IS DESIGNATED FOR SELLING FISH, TWO FOR SELLING FROZEN MEAT, THREE FOR SELLING POULTRY, SIX FOR SELLING FRESH MEAT, NINE FOR SELLING DRY GOODS, FOUR FOR SELLING WET GOODS AND THE REMAINING ONE FOR SELLING ICE.

THE UPSET MONTHLY RENTALS RANGE FROM \$600 TO \$3 000.

SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS MAY START BUSINESS ON JUNE 1 ON A THREE-YEAR CONTRACT, AND SHOULD PAY THE RENTAL QUARTERLY, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

BIDDERS ARE REQUESTED TO BRING ALONG THEIR IDENTITY CARDS AND FIVE PHOTOGRAPHS.

FURTHER ENQUIRIES SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE HAWKERS AND MARKETS SECTION OF THE KWAI CHUNG URBAN SERVICES OFFICE ON TELEPHONE 0-253624.

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ROAD FOR NT VILLAGE
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THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION PLANS TO CONSTRUCT A 245-METRE-LONG LOCAL DISTRIBUTOR ROAD TO PROVIDE VEHICULAR AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESS TO SIU HANG VILLAGE FROM SAN WAI VILLAGE, BYPASSING THE GALLIPOLI LINES CAMP.

THE PROJECT WILL BE CARRIED OUT UNDER THE LOCAL PUBLIC WORKS MACHINERY.

A NOTICE CONCERNING THE PROPOSED WORKS WAS PUBLISHED IN THE LATEST GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

A PLAN SHOWING THE PROJECT CAN BE SEEN AT THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, CENTRAL ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING MAIN ENTRANCE; THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE, NORTH AND NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE AT OLD DISTRICT OFFICE BUILDING, TAI PO MARKET, NEW TERRITORIES.

ANY OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSAL MUST BE SENT TO THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS BY JULY 19, 1983.

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