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URGENT NEED TO INTRODUCE LIVESTOCK WASTE CONTROLS

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THERE IS AN URGENT NEED TO INTRODUCE CONTROLS ON LIVESTOCK WASTE TO PREVENT IRREVERSIBLE POLLUTION DAMAGES TO TOLO HARBOUR AND OTHER WATERWAYS, ACTING DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, MR ROBERT LAW, SAID TODAY (MONDAY).

AND THE NEW WASTE DISPOSAL (AMENDMENT) BILL WAS A "CORNERSTONE" IN THE PROGRAMME FOR TOLO HARBOUR, HE ADDED.

SPEAKING AT A LUNCHEON MEETING OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF VICTORIA, MR LAW SAID LIVESTOCK WASTE WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR SOMETHING LIKE 70 PER CENT OF ALL STREAM POLLUTION IN THE NEW TERRITORIES AND 50 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL ORGANIC POLLUTION ENTERING THE SEA.

A GREATER CONCERN WAS THAT THE POLLUTANTS FOUND THEIR WAYS INTO THE LARGE ENCLOSED BODIES OF WATER, SUCH AS THE TOLO HARBOUR. THE PROBLEM WITH TOLO HARBOUR WAS THAT IT WAS ALMOST LANDLOCKED, WITH VERY POOR DISPERSION CAPABILITIES, WHICH MEANT THAT POLLUTION LOADS THAT MIGHT BE JUST ACCEPTABLE FOR THE OPEN OCEAN WERE CATASTROPHIC IN TOLO.

"ON THE BASIS OF PRESENT KNOWLEDGE CONCERNING THE NUTRIENT AND ORGANIC POLLUTION LOADS ENTERING TOLO HARBOUR, WE BELIEVE THAT IF NO DRASTIC ACTION IS TAKEN IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE TO REDUCE THESE LOADS, WE MAY WELL PASS THE POINT OF NO RETURN IN TOLO, WHERE THE POLLUTION EFFECTS BECOME IRREVERSIBLE.

"WHAT THIS MEANS IS THAT RED TIDES COULD BECOME SO PREVALENT AS TO OVERLAP IN A SINGLE BLOOM, AND CONSEQUENT EXTREME SWINGS IN OXYGEN CONCENTRATION WOULD DESTROY MUCH OF THE REMAINING ANIMAL LIFE.

"EVENTUALLY, POLLUTED SEDIMENTS WOULD BUILD UP AND WE WOULD IN EFFECT HAVE A GIANT KAI TAK NULLAH."

MR LAW SAID THE GOVERNMENT HAD AN EIGHT-POINT ACTION PLAN TO DEAL WITH THE TOLO HARBOUR PROBLEM, WHICH INCLUDED MODIFICATION TO THE PROCESSES IN THE SHA TIN AND TAI PO SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS, THE POSSIBLE EXPORT OF THE TREATMENT WORKS EFFLUENT TO BETTER RECEIVING WATERS AND THE CONSCIENTIOUS IMPLEMENTATION OF THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO FACTORY DISCHARGE.

"BUT THE CORNERSTONE OF OUR PROGRAMME FOR TOLO, AND INDEED FOR CLEANING UP MOST OF OUR WATERWAYS, IS THE ENACTMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW WASTE DISPOSAL (AMENDMENT) BILL WHICH WAS INTRODUCED INTO LEGCO IN JUNE.

"THIS BILL PROVIDES THE LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK TO ALLOW US TO GET OUR HOUSE IN ORDER CONCERNING THE LIVESTOCK WASTE PROBLEM. IN DOING SO, THE GOVERNMENT IS INTENDING TO SPEND $509 MILLION OVER THE NEXT 10 YEARS."

ON FEARS THAT THE PROPOSED EFFLUENT TREATMENT STANDARDS UNDER THE WASTE DISPOSAL (AMENDMENT) BILL MIGHT BE IMPRACTICAL, MR LAW SAID THE GOVERNMENT INTENDED TO CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE, ON A WORKING FARM, SIMPLE TREATMENT FACILITIES AIMED AT ACHIEVING THE STANDARDS. PLANS TO CONSTRUCT THESE FACILITIES WOULD ALSO BE MADE AVAILABLE TO FARMERS.

MAY ORDERS-ON-HAND, EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL FIGURES RELEASED

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THE AVERAGE VOLUME OF ORDERS-ON-HAND (IN TERMS OF MONTHS) IN MAY 1987, AS REPORTED BY THE 200 LARGEST FIRMS IN THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR REMAINED AT ABOUT THE SAME LEVEL AS IN MAY 1986, BUT DECREASED SLIGHTLY COMPARED WITH APRIL 1987, ACCORDING TO THE RESULTS OF A SURVEY RELEASED TODAY (MONDAY) BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

COMPARING MAY 1987 WITH THE SAME MONTH IN 1986, A SIGNIFICANT DECREASE IN THE VOLUME OF ORDERS-ON-HAND WAS RECORDED IN THE PLASTIC PRODUCTS INDUSTRY, WHILE A SLIGHT DECREASE WAS REGISTERED FOR THE ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS INDUSTRY.

HOWEVER, THESE WERE OFFSET BY THE SIGNIFICANT INCREASES IN THE VOLUME OF ORDERS-ON-HAND RECORDED IN ALL OTHER INDUSTRIES SURVEYED, PARTICULARLY IN THE FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS AND TEXTILES INDUSTRIES.

COMPARED WITH APRIL 1987, THE ORDERS POSITION IN THE PLASTIC PRODUCTS AND FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS INDUSTRIES DROPPED SIGNIFICANTLY, WHILE THAT IN ALL OTHER INDUSTRIES SURVEYED SHOWED LITTLE CHANGE.

EMPLOYMENT IN THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR IN MAY 1987 INCREASED WHEN COMPARED WITH THE PREVIOUS MONTH, BUT DECREASED SLIGHTLY COMPARED WITH MAY 1986.

COMPARED WITH APRIL 1987, THE FOOD AND DRINKS, PLASTIC PRODUCTS AND ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS INDUSTRIES RECORDED SOME INCREASES IN EMPLOYMENT, WHILE THE FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS INDUSTRY REPORTED A SLIGHT DECLINE.

COMPARED WITH MAY 1986, EMPLOYMENT IN THE WEARING APPAREL, PLASTIC PRODUCTS AND FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS INDUSTRIES DROPPED, WHILE THAT IN ALL OTHER INDUSTRIES SURVEYED INCREASED.

PAYROLL IN THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR INCREASED IN MAY 1987 WHEN COMPARED WITH APRIL 1987 AND MAY 1986. ON THE OTHER HAND, PER CAPITA EARNINGS REMAINED ALMOST UNCHANGED COMPARED WITH APRIL 1987, BUT INCREASED APPRECIABLY COMPARED WITH MAY 1986.

COMPARED WITH APRIL 1987, PAYROLL INCREASED MODERATELY IN MOST INDUSTRIES SURVEYED BUT DECREASED IN THE PLASTIC PRODUCTS INDUSTRY. PER CAPITA EARNINGS ALSO INCREASED IN MOST INDUSTRIES SURVEYED BUT DECREASED IN THE PLASTIC PRODUCTS AND ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS INDUSTRIES.

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COMPARED WITH MAY 1986, SUBSTANTIAL INCREASES IN PAYROLL AND IN PER CAPITA EARNINGS WERE RECORDED IN MOST INDUSTRIES SURVEYED, PARTICULARLY IN THE TEXTILES, FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS AND ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS INDUSTRIES.

IN THE CONSTRUCTION SECTOR, EMPLOYMENT, PAYROLL AND PER CAPITA EARNINGS ALL INCREASED IN MAY 1987 COMPARED WITH APRIL 1987 AND MAY 1986. THE INCREASES OVER MAY 1986 WERE SUBSTANTIAL.

IN THE SERVICES SECTORS, OVERALL EMPLOYMENT IN MAY 1987 WAS ABOUT THE SAME AS IN APRIL 1987, BUT PAYROLL AND PER CAPITA EARNINGS DECREASED SLIGHTLY.

AMONG THE VARIOUS SERVICES SECTORS, SOME DECREASES IN PAYROLL AND IN PER CAPITA EARNINGS WERE RECORDED IN HOTELS AND PUBLIC UTILITIES FOLLOWING THEIR ISSUE OF BONUSES IN APRIL 1987.

COMPARED WITH MAY 1986, OVERALL EMPLOYMENT IN THE SERVICES SECTORS INCREASED DESPITE A SLIGHT DECREASE RECORDED IN HOTELS. PAYROLL AND PER CAPITA EARNINGS IN ALL THE SERVICES SECTORS SURVEYED RECORDED SIGNIFICANT INCREASES OVER MAY 1986.

THE PERCENTAGE CHANGES IN ORDERS-ON-HAND, EMPLOYMENT AND PER CAPITA EARNINGS ARE SHOWN IN TABLES 1 AND 2 BELOW.

THE SURVEY COVERED A PANEL OF 200 LARGEST MANUFACTURING COMPANIES AND THE 50 LARGEST COMPANIES IN THE CONSTRUCTION AND SELECTED SERVICES SECTORS, CHOSEN BY REFERENCE TO THEIR EMPLOYMENT SIZES IN SEPTEMBER 1986.

AS THE SAMPLE WAS NOT DRAWN ON A RANDOM BASIS, THE DEPARTMENT CAUTIONED THAT THE MAGNITUDE OF CHANGE INDICATED BY TEH SURVEY MIGHT NOT REFLECT THE EXPERIENCE OF THE ECONOMY AS A WHOLE. NEVERTHELESS, THESE RESULTS ARE EXPECTED TO PROVIDE A USEFUL INDICATION OF THE DIRECTION OF CHANGE FOR A QUICK ASSESSMENT OF DEVELOPMENTS IN THE ECONOMY IN THE SHORT TERM.

THE SURVEY REPORT FOR MAY 1987 IS NOW ON SALE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS SALES CENTRE, GENERAL POST OFFICE BUILDING AND AT THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT PUBLICATIONS SALES COUNTER, 19/F., WANCHAI TOWER I, 12 HARBOUR ROAD, WAN CHAI, AT $1.50 PER COPY.

ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE SURVEY RESULTS MAY BE MADE TO THE INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION STATISTICS SECTION OF THE DEPARTMENT AT 5-8234820.

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Table 1 : Orders-on-hand in manufacturing industries

Industry	Orders-on-hand for May 1987 (months)	Increase over Apr. 87 (%)	Increase over May 86 (%)
All Industries	4.48	-1	*
Wearing apparel	4.95	*	3
Textiles	2.82	*	8
Plastic products	3.54	-9	-13
Fabricated metal products	4.42	-3	15
Electrical and electronic products	5.04	*	-2
Others	4.38	*	2

Table 2 : Employment and earnings

Industry/Services	Persons engaged at the end of May 1987 Increase over Apr. 87 (%)	Increase over May 86 (%)	Per capita earnings in May 87 (HK$)	Increase over Apr. 87 (%)	Increase over May 86 (%)
Manufacturing	2	-1	3,691	*	13
Food and drinks	1	5	4,168	1	5
Wearing apparel	*	-7	3,216	3	11
Textiles	*	4	4,139	6	21
Plastic products	7	-9	3,187	-8	9
Fabricated metal products	-1	-4	3,540	3	18
Electrical and electronic products	4	1	3,454	-1	15
Others	1	2	4,738	-2	4
Construction#	2	10	5,290	3	12
Services	*	2	6,160	-1	10
Banks	*	5	5,878	1	10
Hotels	1	-1	3,910	-9	13
Public utilities	*	*	6,125	-4	9
Others	1	5	7,220	1	10

* Changes within ±0.5%

\# Persons engaged cover company employees only; site workers employed by labour-only sub-contractors are not included.

Note : Unlike "orders-on-hand" and "per capita earnings" which are average figures, the total number of persons engaged by the firms surveyed is not meaningful information on its own (because this is a panel survey) and is therefore not shown.

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ILLEGAL STRUCTURES PREVENT GAS MAINS MAINTENANCE

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A NUMBER OF ILLEGAL STRUCTURES IN NORTH POINT WHICH ARE PREVENTING THE MAINTENANCE OR REPLACEMENT OF GAS MAINS ARE TO BE DEMOLISHED, A BUILDING AUTHORITY SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (MONDAY).

THE STRUCTURES ARE IN A LANE AT THE REAR OF 29 - 31 AND 41 - 55 FORT STREET, AND 330 - 348 AND 368 - 394 KING'S ROAD, AND THE AUTHORITY WANTS THEM CLOSED PRIOR TO DEMOLITION.

"WE WILL BE APPLYING IN THE DISTRICT COURT, HONG KONG, FOR A CLOSURE ORDER ON AUGUST 4 AND POSTED A NOTICE TO THIS EFFECT ON A CONSPICUOUS PART OF THE STRUCTURES TODAY," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

HE SAID THE OCCUPIERS WERE TOLD IN MARCH TO DEMOLISH THE STRUCTURES THEMSELVES, BUT THEY HAD IGNORED THE INSTRUCTION.

"THESE STRUCTURES ARE IN A PRIVATE LANE WHERE GAS MAINS CANNOT BE PROPERLY MAINTAINED OR REPLACED DUE TO THEIR PRESENCE," HE SAID.

"THEY ALSO OBSTRUCT THE MEANS OF ESCAPE FROM ADJOINING BUILDINGS.

"THEREFORE, A FIRE HAZARD TO THE OCCUPANTS OF THE BUILDINGS EXISTS.

"THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD FULLY SUPPORTS THE CLEARANCE OPERATION AGAINST THE ILLEGAL STRUCTURES IN VIEW OF THE HAZARD THEY POSE," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

HE SAID A CLOSURE ORDER WAS NECESSARY SO THAT DEMOLITION, WHICH WOULD FOLLOW IMMEDIATELY AFTER IT WAS OBTAINED, COULD BE CARRIED OUT WITHOUT DANGER TO OCCUPIERS OR THE PUBLIC.

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ENTRY SCHEME FOR MACAU RESIDENTS

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THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (MONDAY) THAT EX-CHINA RESIDENTS OF MACAU WHO ARE MARRIED TO HONG KONG RESIDENTS AND WHOSE MACAU IDENTITY CARDS WERE ISSUED IN FEBRUARY, MARCH AND APRIL 1980 MAY APPLY, TOGETHER WITH THEIR CHILDREN, TO JOIN THEIR HUSBANDS IN HONG KONG.

APPLICATIONS CAN BE SUBMITTED AS FROM AUGUST 4, 1987 (TUESDAY) BY THE HONG KONG SPONSORS IN PERSON TO THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT, 61 MODY ROAD, TSIM SHA TSUI EAST, KOWLOON.

ANYONE WHO WISHES TO MAKE ENQUIRIES ABOUT THIS ENTRY SCHEME MAY CALL THE DEPARTMENT'S INFORMATION OFFICE ON 3-7333126.

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ORDINANCE ENSURES PROPER TRAINING FOR APPRENTICE

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YOUNG PEOPLE EMPLOYED IN 42 DESIGNATED TRADES ARE REMINDED OF THEIR PROTECTION UNDER THE APPRENTICESHIP ORDINANCE THAT THEIR INTERESTS ARE BEING LOOKED AFTER BY THEIR EMPLOYERS.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND INDUSTRIAL TRAINING DEPARTMENT SAID THAT UNDER THE ORDINANCE, EMPLOYERS MUST DRAW UP AN APPRENTICESHIP CONTRACT WHEN ENGAGING YOUNG PEOPLE AGED BETWEEN 14 AND UNDER 19 WITHIN THE DESIGNATED TRADES AND HAVE IT REGISTERED WITH THE DEPARTMENT.

HE SAID THE AIM OF THE ORDINANCE IS TO ENSURE AN ORGANISED TRAINING FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AND A REGULAR SUPPLY OF SKILLED LABOUR FOR DEVELOPMENT OF INDUSTRIES.

CONTRACTS FOR APPRENTICES ABOVE THE AGE OF 19 OR IN NON-DESIGNATED TRADES CAN ALSO BE REGISTERED VOLUNTARILY.

AN APPRENTICESHIP CONSISTS OF THREE TO FOUR YEARS ON-THE-JOB TRAINING, DURING WHICH THE APPRENTICE WILL ATTEND PART-TIME COURSES RELEVANT TO THEIR TRAINING AT A TECHNICAL INSTITUTE OR THE POLYTECHNICS.

INSPECTORS FROM THE APPRENTICESHIP SECTION OF THE TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND INDUSTRIAL TRAINING DEPARTMENT WILL VISIT REGISTERED APPRENTICES REGULARLY TO SUPERVISE ON TRAINING PROGRESS AND TO ASSIST EMPLOYERS IN DEALING WITH PROBLEMS ARISING FROM TRAINING.

UPON COMPLETION OF THE TRAINING, REGISTERED APPRENTICES WILL BE ISSUED A CERTIFICATE WHICH IS COMMENDED BY MAJOR ORGANISATIONS IN HONG KONG AS A LEVEL OF ACCEPTANCE FOR SKILLED WORKERS.

FURTHER ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE ORDINANCE AND APPRENTICESHIP SCHEME CAN BE MADE AT BRANCH OFFICES OF THE APPRENTICESHIP SECTION. THESE OFFICES ARE LOCATED AT HONG KONG (5-893241 EXT. 155), TO KWA WAN (3-7151326), TSIM SHA TSUI (3-667463), KWAI CHUNG (0-297039) AND KWUN TONG (3-491109).

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SEMINAR ON CAREERS EDUCATION
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ABOUT 100 CAREERS TEACHERS WILL PARTICIPATE AT THE 9TH SEMINAR ON CAREERS EDUCATION TO BE HELD AT THE INSTITUTE OF CHINESE STUDIES, CHINESE UNIVERSITY, IN SHA TIN ON WEDNESDAY (JULY 22).

THE ONE-DAY EVENT IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE YOUTH EMPLOYMENT ADVISORY SERVICE OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT, THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AND THE HONG KONG ASSOCIATION OF CAREERS MASTERS AND GUIDANCE MASTERS.

THE SEMINAR WILL INCLUDE TALKS ON ASPIRATIONS OF YOUNG SCHOOL LEAVERS IN THE CHOICE OF CAREERS, AND WAYS TO DEAL WITH ASPIRATIONS OF YOUNG SCHOOL LEAVERS IN THE EMPLOYMENT MARKETS. THESE WILL BE FOLLOWED BY A PANEL DISCUSSION ON PROBLEMS IN CAREERS GUIDANCE.

GUEST SPEAKERS INCLUDE DR LEUNG KWOK OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY, CHINESE UNIVERSITY AND MR YING WANG-BUN OF THE HONG KONG INSTITUTE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT.

THE COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR, MR DARWIN CHEN, AND THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR Y.T. LI, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY WHICH STARTS AT 10 AM ON WEDNESDAY AT THE INSTITUTE OF CHINESE STUDIES, CHINESE UNIVERSITY, SHA TIN.

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COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER SECTION FARES ON KMB ROUTES
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MEMBERS OF THE TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE OF THE NORTH DISTRICT BOARD WILL MEET ON WEDNESDAY (JULY 22) TO CONSIDER THE INTRODUCTION OF SECTION FARES ON KMB ROUTES IN THE DISTRICT.

THEY WILL CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITY OF INTRODUCING SECTION FARES FOR ROUTE 77K, PLYING BETWEEN SHEUNG SHUI AND YUEN LONG WEST, AS WELL AS ROUTE 69 FROM CHOI YUEN TO YUEN CHAU KOK.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO DISCUSS PEDESTRIAN SAFETY AT THE JUNCTION OF LUNG SUM ROAD AND JOCKEY CLUB ROAD OUTSIDE TIN PING ESTATE AND IMPROVEMENT TO THE VENTILATION SYSTEM IN THE CONCOURSE OF THE FANLING AND SHEUNG SHUI RAILWAY STATIONS.

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OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE THE 1986 ACTION PROGRAMME REVIEW ON PEDESTRIAN BLACK SPOTS; PROPOSALS FOR INSTALLATION OF PARKING METERS IN SHEK WU HUI AND IMPROVEMENT TO TRAFFIC FLOW OUTSIDE SHEUNG SHUI RAILWAY STATION.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE NORTH DISTRICT BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE MEETING ON WEDNESDAY (JULY 22) AT 2 PM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE, JOCKEY CLUB ROAD, FANLING.

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TONG MEI ROAD CLOSED FOR ROAD WORK

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THE NORTHBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF TONG MEI ROAD BETWEEN LARCH STREET AND TUNG CHAU STREET, MONG KOK WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM TOMORROW (TUESDAY) BETWEEN 1 AM AND 5 AM FOR ROAD WORK.

THE PERIOD OF CLOSURE ARE: JULY 21 TO JULY 25; JULY 28 TO AUGUST 1; AUGUST 4 TO AUGUST 8; AND AUGUST 11 TO AUGUST 15.

DURING THE CLOSURE, LARCH STREET BETWEEN TONG MEI ROAD AND FIR STREET WILL BE CONVERTED TO ONE WAY WESTBOUND AND A TEMPORARY SLIP ROAD WILL BE CONSTRUCTED TO LINK TUNG CHAU STREET WITH TONG MEI ROAD.

MOTORISTS ON TONG MEI ROAD NORTHBOUND HEADING FOR LAI CHI KOK ROAD WILL BE DIVERTED VIA LARCH STREET, LIME STREET, TUNG CHAU STREET, THE SLIP ROAD AND TONG MEI ROAD NORTHBOUND.

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NEW ROAD AND LRT RESERVE IN TUEN MUN PROPOSED

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GOVERNMENT IS PROPOSING TO BUILD A NEW ROAD AND FORM A LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT (LRT) RESERVE IN TUEN MUN BETWEEN THE SWIMMING POOL AND WU KING ESTATE.

THE NEW ROAD WOULD BE A DUAL CARRIAGEWAY BETWEEN 7.3 AND 10 METRES IN WIDTH WITH AN ASSOCIATED BRIDGE ACROSS THE NULLAH, FORMING PART OF THE NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT.

THE LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT RESERVE, ALSO INCLUDING A BRIDGE OVER THE NULLAH TO CARRY LRT VEHICLES, WILL FORM PART OF THE REGIONAL LINKS OF THE LRT SYSTEM.

ALSO INCLUDED INTHE PROPOSAL ARE FOOTWAYS AND CYCLEWAYS ALONG THE CARRIAGEWAY AND LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT RESERVE; AND CONSTRUCTION OF RETAINING WALLS, DRAINAGE WORKS AND OTHER ANCILLARY WORKS.

DETAILS OF THE PROPOSED WORKS HAVE BEEN PUBLISHED IN A NOTICE IN THE LATEST GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

WRITTEN OBJECTIONS MUST REACH THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT BEFORE SEPTEMBER 15.

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SALT WATER CUT IN WONG TAI SIN

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SALT WATER SUPPLY TO WANG TAU HOM AND UPPER WONG TAI SIN ESTATES WILL BE TURNED OFF ON THURSDAY (JULY 23) FROM 10 AM TO 5 PM FOR MAINS WORK.

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WATER CUT IN SOUTHERN, TSUEN WAN

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN SOUTHERN DISTRICT WILL BE TURNED OFF ON THURSDAY (JULY 23) FROM 10 PM TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR MAINS WORK.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT ALL PREMISES AT REPULSE BAY ROAD BETWEEN WONG NAI CHUNG GAP ROAD AND ISLAND ROAD, SOUTH ISLAND SCHOOL AND 45-65, DEEP WATER BAY ROAD.

ON THE SAME DAY, FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN TSUEN WAN WILL BE TURNED OFF FROM 8 PM TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY SO THAT MAINS WORK CAN BE CARRIED OUT.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT PREMISES AT TAI HA STREET, TAI WO HAU ROAD, SHEK TAU STREET, SHEUNG KOK STREET, 23-75 TEXACO ROAD, TAI WO HAU ESTATE, BLOCKS 1-18 KWAI CHUNG ESTATE, TAI WO HAU COTTAGE AREA, TAI WO HAU MTR STATION, TAI WO HAU PARK AND 15-23 CASTLE PEAK ROAD.

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WATER STORAGE FIGURE

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STORAGE IN HONG KONG'S RESERVOIRS AT 9 AM TODAY (MONDAY) STOOD AT 63.3 PER CENT OF CAPACITY OR 371.102 MILLION CUBIC METRES.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR THE RESERVOIRS CONTAINED 364.955 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF WATER, REPRESENTING 62.3 PER CENT OF CAPACITY.

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