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VILLAGERS MOVED FOR DEVELOPMENT
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THE LAST RESIDENTS OF SAM SHING HUI NEAR TUEN MUN HAVE NOW MOVED - MAKING WAY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN IMPORTANT STAGE OF THE \$300 MILLION HIGHWAY WHICH WILL EVENTUALLY LINK TUEN MUN NEW TOWN WITH TSUEN WAN, AND A RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL COMPLEX.

BUSINESS OPERATOR IN THE VILLAGE HAVE GONE TO A NEARBY RESITE AREA ON A RECLAIMED LAND AND RE-ESTABLISHED THEMSELVES WHILE NON-BUSINESS DWELLERS HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED PUBLIC HOUSING IN THE NEW SAN FAT ESTATE, TUEN MUN.

NEGOTIATIONS TO CLEAR THE AREA BEGAN BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF THE RESIDENTS AND THE DISTRICT OFFICE LAST AUGUST AND THE FIRST 90 FAMILIES VACATED THEIR PREMISES AT THE END OF OCTOBER.

A SECOND GROUP OF 93 BUSINESSES AND 263 FAMILIES LEFT IN MARCH, AND THE FINAL CLEARANCE, INVOLVING 96 FAMILIES AND 133 BUSINESS, WAS COMPLETED JUST A FEW DAYS AGO.

THE DISTRICT OFFICER TUEN MUN, MR. TONY BENNETT, SAID THE REMOVAL OPERATION HAD GONE SMOOTHLY, ALTHOUGH THERE HAD, UNDERSTANDABLY, BEEN SOME VERY HARD BARGAINING ALONG THE WAY.

THE VILLAGE'S FUNCTION OF SERVICING THE FISHING FLEET WILL CONTINUE FROM THE RESITE AREA, TO BE NAMED SAM SHING HUI MAIN STREET.

WHEN THE RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL COMPLEX IS COMPLETED IN A FEW YEARS, THOSE WHO HAVE MOVED AS A RESULT OF THE CLEARANCE WILL BE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO RETURN THERE.

+THUS,+ MR. BENNETT SAID, +ALTHOUGH THE COMMUNITY HAS BEEN DISPERSED TO SOME EXTENT, IT WILL BE GIVEN THE CHANCE TO COME TOGETHER AGAIN WHEN DEVELOPMENTS IN THE PRESENT AREA OF SAM SHING HUI IS COMPLETED.+

A TEMPORARY NEW HAWKER MARKET HAS BEEN OPENED ON THE RESITE AREA. BUILT AT A COST OF \$75,000, IT HAS 28 MARKET STALLS AND SIX FIXED-PITCH STALLS FOR A VARIETY OF TRADES.

ELIGIBILITY FOR THESE STALLS, WHICH WERE ALLOCATED BY BALLOT, WAS RESTRICTED TO THOSE WHO WERE ESTABLISHED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE AS HAVING EARNED THEIR LIVINGS AS HAWKERS IN SAM SHING HUI.

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NO BAN ON GARMENTS TO NIGERIA
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WORD HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM THE BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION IN LAGOS THAT GARMENTS MAY CONTINUE TO BE IMPORTED INTO NIGERIA, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY.

HE ADDED THAT CONFIRMATION TO THIS EFFECT HAD ALSO BEEN RECEIVED FROM THE NIGERIAN COMMISSION IN HONG KONG.

HE WAS REFERRING TO RECENT PRESS REPORTS ON THE CONFUSION AMONG EXPORTERS ON WHETHER THERE IS A BAN ON IMPORTS OF GARMENTS INTO NIGERIA.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE DEPARTMENT ISSUED A CIRCULAR ON MAY 5 STATING THAT THE NIGERIAN COMMISSION IN HONG KONG HAD INFORMED THE DEPARTMENT THAT IMPORTS OF GARMENTS WERE BANNED.

THE CIRCULAR WAS BASED ON A LETTER DATED APRIL 27 FROM THE NIGERIAN COMMISSION IN HONG KONG TO THE DEPARTMENT WHICH STATED THAT +GARMENTS, PIECE GOODS AND OTHER TEXTILES MATERIALS ARE BANNED.+

FOLLOWING THE ISSUE OF THE CIRCULAR, THE DEPARTMENT RECEIVED REPORTS FROM THE INDIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND FROM SEVERAL EXPORTERS THAT GARMENTS COULD STILL BE IMPORTED INTO NIGERIA.

THE DEPARTMENT THEREFORE REQUESTED THE BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION IN LAGOS TO SEEK CLARIFICATION ON THE MATTER. THE BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION REPLIED YESTERDAY SAYING THAT ITS UNDERSTANDING IS THAT GARMENTS CAN STILL BE IMPORTED INTO NIGERIA.

THE DEPARTMENT HAS NOW OBTAINED CONFIRMATION FROM THE NIGERIAN COMMISSIONER, MR. M. ABUBAKAR, THAT THE BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION'S UNDERSTANDING IS CORRECT AND THAT +WEARING APPAREL MAY STILL BE IMPORTED.+

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CAS VOLLEY BALL TOURNAMENT

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

FIFTEEN CIVIL AID SERVICES CADET TEAMS FROM DIFFERENT DISTRICTS WILL COMPETE IN AN INTER-UNIT VOLLEY BALL TOURNAMENT AT THE CAS KOWLOON TRAINING CENTRE AT 204, ARGYLE STREET, KOWLOON AT 10 A.M. TOMORROW (SUNDAY).

THE TOURNAMENT WILL ADOPT A SINGLE ELIMINATION SYSTEM, AND THE FINAL MATCH TO DECIDE THE CHAMPION TEAM WILL TAKE PLACE AT 10 A.M. ON JUNE 20 AT THE SAME PLACE.

THE CAS CADET CORPS COMMANDANT, MR. HENRY KU, WILL OFFICIATE THE OPENING OF THE TOURNAMENT AND ADDRESS THE GATHERING TOMORROW.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY TOMORROW, AND THE PRIZE PRESENTATION BY THE CAS DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION, MR. HO TSE-KIN, AFTER THE FINAL MATCH ON JUNE 20.

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APPLICATION FOR EVENING TECHNICAL CLASSES

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THE MORRISON HILL, KWAI CHUNG AND KWUN TONG TECHNICAL INSTITUTES ARE NOW JOINTLY INVITING APPLICATIONS FOR EVENING CLASSES DUE TO COMMENCE IN SEPTEMBER.

THERE WILL, ALTOGETHER, BE 55 COURSES ON DIFFERENT SUBJECTS INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION, ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING, MECHANICAL ENGINEERING, PRINTING, TEXTILE AND CLOTHING. COURSES ARE ALSO OFFERED FOR COMMERCIAL STUDIES AND GENERAL STUDIES.

COURSES AT CRAFT LEVEL ARE TAUGHT MAINLY IN CHINESE, WHILE THOSE AT TECHNICIAN LEVEL IN ENGLISH.

BESIDES THE THREE TECHNICAL INSTITUTES, CLASSES WILL ALSO BE HELD AT ABOUT 20 OTHER CENTRES ON BOTH SIDES OF THE HARBOUR.

THE CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS MAY 26. APPLICATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE MORRISON HILL TECHNICAL INSTITUTE, CITY DISTRICT OFFICES AND THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT OFFICE.

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WEATHER IN APRIL SEASONABLE
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THE WEATHER IN APRIL WAS QUITE SEASONABLE - RATHER COOL IN THE FIRST TWO WEEKS BUT WARMED UP RAPIDLY DURING THE SECOND HALF OF THE MONTH.

HOWEVER, IT WAS THE FOURTH CONSECUTIVE MONTH WITH RAINFALL BELOW NORMAL. THE ACCUMULATED RAINFALL FOR THE FIRST FOUR MONTHS OF THE YEAR WAS ONLY 147.4 MM WHICH IS ABOUT HALF OF THE NORMAL AMOUNT.

NEARLY HALF OF MONTH'S RAINFALL WAS RECORDED ON APRIL 12 AND 13 WHEN HEAVY SHOWERS AND ISOLATED THUNDERSTORMS WERE EXPERIENCED DUE TO THE PROXIMITY OF A TROUGH OF LOW PRESSURE.

THE MEAN TEMPERATURE WAS 21.1 DEGREES CELSIUS, 0.2 DEGREE CELSIUS BELOW NORMAL. THE HIGHEST TEMPERATURE OF 30.1 DEGREES CELSIUS WAS RECORDED ON APRIL 29, AND THE MINIMUM OF 15.6 DEGREES CELSIUS ON APRIL 4.

THE STRONG MONSOON SIGNAL WAS HOISTED ON TWO OCCASIONS ON APRIL 4 AND 23.

DURING THE MONTH, THREE AIRCRAFT WERE DIVERTED FROM KAI TAK AIRPORT DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS.

NOTE TO EDITORS: A MORE DETAILED WEATHER REPORT BY THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY WILL BE DISTRIBUTED IN THE GIS PRESS BOXES.

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