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GOVERNMENT SPENDING MASSIVE SUMS ON SLOPE STABILISATION  
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THE MANY STABILISED SLOPES THROUGHOUT HONG KONG ARE EXPECTED TO HOLD UP WELL AGAINST RAINS IN THE COMING MONSOON SEASON.

THESE SLOPES WITHSTOOD STRENUOUS TESTS IN FEBRUARY AND MARCH WHEN TORRENTIAL DOWNPOURS OF 291.2 MM AND 428 MM RESPECTIVELY WERE THE HEAVIEST FOR THE TWO MONTHS SINCE RECORDS STARTED IN 1884.

THE ABSENCE OF ANY SERIOUS LANDSLIDES DESPITE THIS ONSLAUGHT WAS LARGELY THE RESULT OF THE MASSIVE STABILISATION PROGRAMME ON SLOPES AND RETAINING WALLS CARRIED OUT SINCE 1977, SAID DR E.W. BRAND, PRINCIPAL GOVERNMENT GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEER WHO HEADS THE GEOTECHNICAL CONTROL OFFICE (GCO).

THIS WAS THE THIRD TIME IN LESS THAN A YEAR THAT STABILISED SLOPES HELD THEIR OWN AGAINST HEAVY RAINS, HE POINTED OUT. DURING THE SEVERE RAINSTORMS IN MAY AND AUGUST LAST YEAR, THERE WAS NO FAILURE OF ANY +ENGINEERED SLOPE+ INVOLVING CASUALTIES.

THE RAINSTORM IN MAY WAS DESCRIBED BY DR BRAND AS A +ONE IN 15 YEARS EVENT+ AND THAT IN AUGUST AS A +ONE IN EIGHT YEARS EVENT+. STATISTICALLY, HONG KONG WOULD ONLY HAVE TWO SEVERE RAINSTORMS IN ONE YEAR ONCE EVERY 120 YEARS, HE EXPLAINED.

THERE WERE INDEED MANY LANDSLIPS DURING THE TWO MONTHS, RESULTING IN 22 DEATHS IN MAY AND ANOTHER FIVE DEATHS IN AUGUST. THESE CASUALTIES, HOWEVER, WERE CONFINED ENTIRELY TO SQUATTER AREAS WHERE MEANINGFUL SLOPE STABILISATION WORK IS IMPOSSIBLE UNLESS THE SQUATTERS ARE CLEARED, DR BRAND POINTED OUT.

+WHAT WE DIDN'T HAVE IS A FAILURE OF ANY CONSEQUENCE OF ANY ENGINEERED SLOPE,+ HE STRESSED. THIS WAS IN SHARP CONTRAST TO THE CATASTROPHES WHICH HAD BEFALLEN HONG KONG ON SOME OCCASIONS IN THE PAST.

IN JUNE 1972, A 12-STORY BUILDING IN THE MID-LEVELS COLLAPSED, KILLING 55 PEOPLE. IN THE SAME YEAR, AND AGAIN IN 1976, SLOPES BEHIND A HOUSING ESTATE IN KOWLOON MELTED AWAY, KILLING 71 AND 18 PEOPLE RESPECTIVELY.

IT WAS BECAUSE OF THESE DISASTERS THAT THE GCO WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1977. THE OFFICE IS THE GOVERNMENT ORGANISATION CONCERNED WITH A WIDE RANGE OF GEOTECHNICAL ACTIVITIES, WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON THE STABILITY OF SLOPES AND ON THE GEOTECHNICAL ASPECTS OF SLOPE-RELATED PROJECTS.

ENGINEERS OF THE OFFICE IMMEDIATELY MOVED INTO ACTION AND HAVE SINCE STABILISED SEVERAL HUNDRED SLOPES AND RETAINING WALLS IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF HONG KONG AT A TOTAL COST OF SOME \$470 MILLION.

+PREVENTIVE WORK WAS INITIALLY FOCUSED ON LARGE FILL OR MAN-MADE SLOPES. IT WAS FELT THESE SLOPES POSED THE GREATEST DANGER TO LIFE AND PROPERTY AT TIMES OF EXTREMELY HEAVY RAINSTORMS,+ DR BRAND SAID.

/HE EXPECTED .....

HE EXPECTED THAT THESE AND OTHER SLOPES ALREADY STABILISED WOULD CONTINUE TO WITHSTAND THIS YEAR'S UNUSUALLY WET SEASON, NOTING: +TO THE BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE, ALL THE LARGE FILL SLOPES THAT POSED A DANGER HAVE NOW BEEN SATISFACTORILY DEALT WITH.+

STABILISATION WORK ON LARGE FILL SLOPES HAVE ACCOUNTED FOR THE MAJOR PORTION OF THE TOTAL EXPENDITURE ON THE GCO'S LANDSLIDE PREVENTIVE PROGRAMME.

+WE ARE NOW FOCUSING ON SOIL CUT SLOPES, ROCK CUT SLOPES, RETAINING WALLS AND BOULDER STABILISATION,+ DR BRAND EXPLAINED.

+BECAUSE OF THE SHIFT IN EMPHASIS, WE ARE NOW DEALING WITH A GROWING NUMBER OF SLOPES,+ HE SAID.

AS THE COST INVOLVED IS GENERALLY MUCH LOWER THAN FOR FILL SLOPES, THE TOTAL ANNUAL COST OF THE PROGRAMME IS LIKELY TO REMAIN AT ITS PRESENT LEVEL OF ABOUT \$50 MILLION, DR BRAND EXPLAINED.

BESIDES THE GCO'S LANDSLIP PREVENTIVE PROGRAMME, OTHER GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS SPEND SOME \$60 MILLION A YEAR ON VARIOUS FORMS OF SLOPE SAFETY MEASURES.

THE LARGEST SINGLE LANDSLIP PREVENTION PROJECT IN HONG KONG NOW NEARING COMPLETION IS BEING CARRIED OUT AT A COST OF APPROXIMATELY \$60 MILLION BY THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT TO STABILISE THE HUGE SLOPE BEHIND THE TSZ WAN SHAN ESTATE, DR BRAND SAID.

A SUM OF OVER \$23 MILLION HAS ALSO BEEN PROVIDED FOR BASIC IMPROVEMENTS TO BE CARRIED OUT IN 1983-84 BY THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT IN A NUMBER OF SQUATTER AREAS.

BESIDES PROVIDING BASIC SERVICES AND FIRE PREVENTION WORKS, THE PROGRAMME INVOLVES FIRST AID MEASURES TO REDUCE THE RISK OF LANDSLIPS, BUT DR BRAND EMPHASISED THAT THESE MEASURES COULD NOT RENDER THE SQUATTER AREAS SAFE FROM LANDSLIDES.

LOOKING AHEAD, DR BRAND DISCLOSED THAT THE GCO WOULD CARRY OUT STABILISATION WORK ON 39 SLOPES IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF HONG KONG DURING THE 1983-84 FISCAL YEAR.

THE GCO HAS RECENTLY COMPLETED A TERRITORY-WIDE NETWORK OF 42 AUTOMATIC RAINGAUGES WHICH FEED RAINFALL READINGS AT DIFFERENT LOCATIONS VIA TELEPHONE LINES TO A COMPUTER IN THE GCO EVERY 15 MINUTES.

THIS SYSTEM PROVIDES EARLY WARNINGS ABOUT WHERE INCIDENTS ARE LIKELY TO OCCUR DURING HEAVY RAINSTORMS SO THAT SPEEDY ACTIONS CAN BE TAKEN. FOREWARNINGS CAN BE ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT TO SQUATTER AREAS THREATENED BY LANDSLIDES.

IN THE LONG TERM, THE GCO WILL USE INFORMATION COLLECTED FROM THE SYSTEM TO ESTABLISH SCIENTIFIC CRITERIA RELATING LANDSLIPS TO RAINFALLS. THE INFORMATION IS ALSO USEFUL FOR ENGINEERING DESIGN, PARTICULARLY OF DRAINAGE.

GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING IS MORE DIFFICULT THAN MANY OTHER ENGINEERING BRANCHES IN THAT IT DEALS WITH NATURAL MATERIALS WHICH, UNLIKE MAN-MADE MATERIALS, HAVE UNKNOWN VARIABLE CHARACTERISTICS, HE SAID.

AS AN EXAMPLE, DR BRAND CITED HONG KONG'S ROCKS WHICH HAVE BEEN +DEEPLY WEATHERED+ TO FORM WHAT IS CALLED RESIDUAL SOIL WHICH IS HETEROGENEOUS AND PERMEABLE TO WATER.

+BECAUSE IT CONSISTS OF EVERYTHING FROM CLAY TO BOULDERS OF ALL SHAPES AND SIZES, ANY TESTING METHOD ADOPTED CAN ONLY APPLY TO THE PARTICULAR PIECE OF MATERIAL UNDER STUDY,+ HE EXPLAINED.

THEN THERE IS COLLUVIUM TO DEAL WITH --- DEBRIS WHICH HAS ROLLED DOWNHILL FROM ROCKS AS PART OF A GEOLOGICAL PROCESS THAT IS HAPPENING ALL THE TIME, DR BRAND POINTED OUT.

THESE LAYERS OF COLLUVIUM, BY THEIR VERY NATURE, ARE USUALLY ONLY JUST IN EQUILIBRIUM.

+WHEN DEVELOPERS CUT INTO COLLUVIUM SLOPES, THEY DISTURB THE EQUILIBRIUM AND A HEAVY RAINSTORM COULD CAUSE THEM TO FALL DOWN UNLESS GOOD ENGINEERING DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION HAS BEEN USED,+ HE SAID.

EXPLAINING HOW THE GCO HAS BEEN TACKLING THIS TRICKY PROBLEM, DR BRAND SAID, +IT IS NECESSARY FIRST TO KNOW THE GEOMETRY OF THE SITUATION, TO ASSESS THE STRENGTH OF THE MATERIALS INVOLVED AND TO MEASURE OR PREDICT THE WATER PRESSURE IN THE SLOPE.+

COMPOUNDING THE PROBLEM IS THE MINUTE-BY-MINUTE CHANGE OF THE WATER PRESSURE IN A HEAVY RAINSTORM.

+SOUND GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING EXPERIENCE AND JUDGEMENT ARE VITAL IN COMING UP WITH AN EFFECTIVE LANDSLIP PREVENTIVE PROGRAMME,+ HE SAID.

THE GCO PRESENTLY HAS 97 GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERS, 10 OF THEM WITH PH D DEGREES. A TYPICAL ONE HAS A MASTER'S DEGREE IN SOIL MECHANICS, ROCK MECHANICS OR ENGINEERING GEOLOGY, WITH SEVEN YEARS' EXPERIENCE IN GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING AND FOUR YEARS IN GENERAL CIVIL ENGINEERING.

EXPERIENCED GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERS ARE A RARE BREED, WHICH EXPLAINS WHY THERE ARE 14 NATIONALITIES AMONG THOSE WORKING WITH THE GCO.

THE OFFICE IS CURRENTLY UNDERSTAFFED AND 22 MORE GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERS HAVE BEEN OR ARE BEING RECRUITED FROM DIFFERENT COUNTRIES, DR BRAND DISCLOSED.

BESIDES GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERS, THE OFFICE HAS 16 OTHER PROFESSIONAL STAFF, INCLUDING CHEMISTS, METALLURGISTS AND LAND SURVEYORS.

APART FROM SLOPE STABILISATION WORK, THE GCO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SUCH OTHER FUNCTIONS AS GEOLOGICAL MAPPING, MATERIALS TESTING, SITE INVESTIGATION, QUARRYING AND AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH INTERPRETATION.

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GOVERNOR TO OPEN \$40-MILLION SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX  
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THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, WILL OFFICIALLY OPEN THE NEWLY-BUILT \$40-MILLION YUEN LONG PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL AND REST GARDEN ON SATURDAY (APRIL 23).

THE POOL IS THE FOURTH MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR SWIMMING COMPLEX UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY.

IT IS ALSO THE FIRST PUBLIC BATHING FACILITY TO MEET THE NEEDS OF YUEN LONG PEOPLE.

SINCE ITS OPENING IN DECEMBER, IT HAS BECOME INCREASINGLY POPULAR ESPECIALLY WITH YOUNG PEOPLE - AND MORE THAN 15 000 PEOPLE USED THE POOLS DURING THE LAST TWO MONTHS.

DESIGNED AND BUILT BY THE ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE OF THE BUILDING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT ON A 2.34-HECTARE SITE TO THE SOUTH OF THE YUEN LONG STADIUM, THE SWIMMING COMPLEX IS WITHIN EASY WALKING DISTANCE OF THE TOWN CENTRE.

THE CONSTRUCTION COST WAS JOINTLY FINANCED BY AN ANONYMOUS DONOR AND THE GOVERNMENT, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE COMPLEX IS MADE UP OF ONE MAIN OLYMPIC-SIZE POOL, WHICH CAN BE USED FOR COMPETITIVE SWIMMING, A SECONDARY POOL OF SIMILAR SIZE FOR LEISURE BATHING, A DIVING POOL, A TEACHING POOL FOR BEGINNERS AND A PADDLING POOL FOR YOUNG CHILDREN.

OTHER FACILITIES INCLUDE A COVERED SPECTATOR STAND FOR 600 PEOPLE AND A TWO-STOREY SERVICE BUILDING ACCOMMODATING CHANGING ROOMS AND OFFICES ON THE LOWER LEVEL AND A GENERAL RESTAURANT ON THE UPPER DECK.

PURPOSE-BUILT CHANGING FACILITIES AND RAMPS LEADING TO THE POOL SIDE ARE ALSO AVAILABLE FOR THE USE OF THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

APART FROM SWIMMING, RESIDENTS MAY ENJOY THE PLEASANT SURROUNDINGS OF A PEDESTRIAN MALL AND LANDSCAPED REST GARDEN.

SPECIAL FEATURES OF THE GARDEN INCLUDE TWO BEAUTIFULLY-DESIGNED FOUNTAINS, ARBOURS, BENCHES, FLOWER BEDS PLANTED WITH SEASONAL COLOURFUL FLOWERS AND PARK LIGHTINGS.

A BASKETBALL PITCH WHICH CAN BE CONVERTED FOR VOLLEYBALL IS ALSO AVAILABLE.

/THE SWIMMING .....

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THE SWIMMING POOL AND REST GARDEN COMPLEX, WILL BE OFFICIALLY DECLARED OPEN BY SIR EDWARD AT A CEREMONY AT 11.15 AM ON SATURDAY (APRIL 23).

ALSO PRESENT AT THE FUNCTION WILL BE THE SECRETARY FOR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION, MR DAVID AKERS-JONES, THE DIRECTOR OF URBAN SERVICES, MR BRIAN WILSON AND THE DIRECTOR OF NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES, MR JOHN HEYWOOD.

OTHERS PRESENT WILL BE THE REGIONAL SECRETARY (NEW TERRITORIES), MR IAN MACPHERSON, THE DIRECTOR OF BUILDING DEVELOPMENT, MR MOK WAI-TAK, THE DISTRICT OFFICER OF YUEN LONG, MR JAMES WILSON, AND THE CHAIRMAN OF HEUNG YEE KUK, MR LAU WONG-FAT.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE YUEN LONG SWIMMING POOL AT 11.15 AM ON SATURDAY (APRIL 23).

NTSD INFORMATION OFFICERS WILL ASSIST THE PRESS.

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QUARTERLY LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS  
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THE SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATE FOR THE QUARTER DECEMBER 1982 - FEBRUARY 1983 WAS 4.5 PER CENT, WHICH COMPARES WITH 3.9 PER CENT FOR THE PREVIOUS QUARTER ENDING NOVEMBER 1982, AND 3.1 PER CENT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING FEBRUARY LAST YEAR.

THE INCREASES OF 0.6 PERCENTAGE POINT AND 1.4 PERCENTAGE POINTS RESPECTIVELY COMPARED WITH THE TWO PREVIOUS QUARTERS ARE STATISTICALLY SIGNIFICANT, THE COMMISSIONER FOR CENSUS AND STATISTICS, MR COLIN GREENFIELD, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

THE NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED PERSONS IN THE QUARTER ENDING FEBRUARY 1983 WAS PROVISIONALLY ESTIMATED TO BE 113 000, AS COMPARED WITH 98 000 FOR THE PREVIOUS QUARTER, AND 77 700 FOR THE SAME QUARTER LAST YEAR.

/THE UNDEREMPLOYMENT .....

THE UNDEREMPLOYMENT RATE WAS ESTIMATED TO BE 2.6 PER CENT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING FEBRUARY 1983, WHICH COMPARES WITH 1.9 PER CENT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING NOVEMBER 1982. THE PROVISIONAL ESTIMATE OF THE NUMBER OF UNDEREMPLOYED PERSONS WAS 64 000 FOR THE QUARTER ENDING FEBRUARY 1983, AS COMPARED WITH 46 900 FOR THE PREVIOUS QUARTER.

MR GREENFIELD EXPLAINED THAT, CONSISTENT WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANIZATION, PERSONS WHO WORKED LESS THAN 35 HOURS A WEEK WERE REGARDED AS UNDEREMPLOYED ONLY IF THEY WERE SEEKING MORE WORK OR WERE NOT SEEKING MORE WORK BECAUSE THEY BELIEVED MORE WORK WAS NOT AVAILABLE. IN OTHER WORDS, PEOPLE SUCH AS PART-TIME WORKERS WHO CHOSE TO WORK LESS THAN 35 HOURS A WEEK AND WERE NOT AVAILABLE FOR MORE WORK, WERE NOT UNDEREMPLOYED.

IN COMMENTING UPON THESE FIGURES, HE SAID THAT BECAUSE THE PROPORTION OF FIRST-TIME JOB-SEEKERS (E.G. PEOPLE WHO HAVE JUST LEFT SCHOOL) VARIES FROM MONTH TO MONTH, THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATES SEASONALLY ADJUSTED FOR THE VARIATIONS IN FIRST-TIME JOB-SEEKERS SHOULD BE USED IN MAKING COMPARISONS OVER TIME. THE UNADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATE FOR THE QUARTER ENDING FEBRUARY 1983 WAS 4.5 PER CENT.

THE UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT STATISTICS WERE OBTAINED FROM A CONTINUOUS GENERAL HOUSEHOLD SURVEY CONDUCTED BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT. THIS SURVEY COVERS A QUARTERLY SAMPLE OF SOME 15 000 HOUSEHOLDS OR 55 000 PERSONS, SELECTED SCIENTIFICALLY TO REPRESENT THE LAND-BASED POPULATION IN HONG KONG. PERSONAL AND LABOUR FORCE DATA WERE OBTAINED IN THE SURVEY BY INTERVIEWING EACH INDIVIDUAL MEMBER IN THE HOUSEHOLDS SAMPLED.

MR GREENFIELD DREW ATTENTION TO THE SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT DEFINITIONS USED IN THE GENERAL HOUSEHOLD SURVEY COMPARED WITH THOSE USED IN THE PREVIOUS LABOUR FORCE SURVEY.

THE EFFECT OF THIS DIFFERENCE ON THE ESTIMATE OF THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE, HOWEVER, WAS SMALL, HE SAID.

USING THE DEFINITIONS ADOPTED IN THE LABOUR FORCE SURVEY, THE SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATE FOR THE QUARTER ENDING FEBRUARY 1983 WAS 4.7 PER CENT, AS COMPARED WITH THE 4.5 PER CENT BASED ON THE GENERAL HOUSEHOLD SURVEY DEFINITIONS.

HE ADDED THAT DETAILED ANALYSIS OF THE LABOUR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS IS GIVEN IN THE GENERAL HOUSEHOLD SURVEY REPORT WHICH IS PUBLISHED FOUR TIMES A YEAR. THERE WILL BE NO REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING FEBRUARY 1983, BUT ONE COVERING THE QUARTER ENDING JANUARY 1983 SHOULD BE AVAILABLE AROUND APRIL 20, 1983.

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LEAFLET TO HELP PUBLIC GET NEW ID CARDS  
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THE GOVERNMENT HAS PUBLISHED A BILINGUAL LEAFLET TO TELL THE PUBLIC HOW TO APPLY FOR THE NEW HONG KONG IDENTITY CARD WHEN THEIR TURN COMES.

FREE COPIES WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM TOMORROW (MONDAY) AT ALL DISTRICT OFFICES AND ENQUIRY SECTIONS OF THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT.

THE FOUR-PAGE LEAFLET ENTITLED '+HOW TO APPLY FOR THE NEW HONG KONG IDENTITY CARD+' IS THE LATEST EDITION OF THE '+HOW TO APPLY+' SERIES PRODUCED BY THE GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICES.

INTRODUCING THE LEAFLET TODAY (SUNDAY), A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID: '+THE ISSUE OF THE NEW ID CARD IS A SCHEME THAT AFFECTS EVERY HONG KONG RESIDENT, AND IT IS IMPORTANT THAT EVERYONE SHOULD KNOW EXACTLY 'WHEN', 'WHERE' AND 'HOW' TO GET ONE.'+

A LEAFLET IS CONSIDERED THE BEST WAY TO EXPLAIN THE PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS IN DETAIL,+ HE ADDED.

THE LEAFLET ALSO CONTAINS USEFUL INFORMATION ABOUT JUVENILE ID CARDS, CANCELLATION OF THE OLD IDENTITY CARD AS WELL AS ARRANGEMENTS FOR NEW ARRIVALS IN HONG KONG AND FOR THOSE WHO ARE OVERSEAS WHEN THEIR TURN COMES.

HOWEVER, THE SPOKESMAN STRESSED THAT THERE WILL BE NO AMNESTY FOR ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS TO HONG KONG.

THE FIRST GROUP OF PEOPLE REQUIRED TO APPLY FOR THE NEW CARD IS MEN BORN IN 1964.

THE SPOKESMAN REMINDED THEM TO CALL AT ANY OF THE EIGHT ISSUE OFFICES BETWEEN MAY 2 AND JUNE 4, BRINGING WITH THEM THEIR OLD CARDS.

THEY WILL GET THEIR NEW CARDS AT NO COST ABOUT 18 WORKING DAYS AFTER THEIR APPLICATIONS, HE SAID.

THE ISSUE OFFICES WILL BE OPEN BETWEEN 8 AM AND 9.30 PM EVERYDAY FROM MONDAY TO SATURDAY.

THEIR ADDRESSES AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS ARE AS FOLLOWS:-

HONG KONG ISLAND

CARRIAN CENTRE BASEMENT, 151 GLOUCESTER ROAD,  
WAN CHAI, HONG KONG.  
TEL. NO. 5-747070

/EAST KOWLOON .....

EAST KOWLOON

AMOY GARDEN PLAZA, 2ND FLOOR,  
77 NGAU TAU KOK ROAD, NGAU TAU KOK,  
KOWLOON.  
TEL. NO. 3-7553669

WEST KOWLOON

CANTON ROAD GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 2ND FLOOR,  
393 CANTON ROAD, TSIM SHA TSUI,  
KOWLOON.  
TEL. NO. 3-7232424

TSUEN WAN

EAST ASIA COMMERCIAL CENTRE, GROUND FLOOR,  
29-37 TSUEN FU STREET, TSUEN WAN,  
NEW TERRITORIES.  
TEL. NO. 0-4980117

SHA TIN

SHA TIN CENTRE, PODIUM FLOOR,  
2-16 WANG POK STREET, SHA TIN,  
NEW TERRITORIES.  
TEL. NO. 0-6059108

SHEUNG SHUI

TSUEN WO TAI LAU, GROUND FLOOR,  
82-84 SAN FUNG AVENUE, SHEK WU HUI,  
NEW TERRITORIES.  
TEL. NO. 0-927191

YUEN LONG

HOP YICK CENTRE, 2ND FLOOR,  
31 HOP YICK ROAD, YUEN LONG,  
NEW TERRITORIES.  
TEL. NO. 0-771543

TUEN MUN

CHI LOK COMMERCIAL CENTRE, GROUND FLOOR,  
CHI LOK FA YUEN, TUEN MUN,  
NEW TERRITORIES.  
TEL. NO. 0-862646

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SURVEYS ON BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION  
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THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT IS CONDUCTING A SURVEY OF BUILDING, CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE SECTORS FOR THE YEAR 1982.

IT IS PART OF A CONTINUOUS PROGRAMME TO COLLECT ANNUAL STATISTICS ON THE STRUCTURAL AND OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS OF THE SECTORS AND TO UPDATE THE INFORMATION PREVIOUSLY COLLECTED FOR THE YEAR 1981, A SPOKESMAN SAID.

+SUCH STATISTICS WILL HELP TO ASCERTAIN THE CONTRIBUTION OF THESE SECTORS TO HONG KONG'S GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT.

+THEY ALSO WILL ASSIST IN THE STUDY AND ANALYSIS OF COSTS AND OUTPUTS OF THE DIFFERENT TRADES AND OF THE VARIOUS CATEGORIES OF SITES AND PROJECTS,+ HE SAID.

AS A COMPLEMENT TO THE YEARLY ENQUIRY, A QUARTERLY SURVEY OF CONSTRUCTION OUTPUT IS BEING INTRODUCED TO ASCERTAIN THE VALUE OF CONSTRUCTION WORK PERFORMED BY CONSTRUCTION ESTABLISHMENTS.

DATA COLLECTION FOR THE FIRST QUARTER OF THIS YEAR HAS ALREADY STARTED.

THE STATISTICAL SERIES WILL SERVE AS A PROMPT INDICATOR OF CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS AND OUTPUT TRENDS IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY AND HENCE, WILL THUS SERVE A DIFFERENT PURPOSE FROM THAT OF THE ANNUAL SURVEY. TOGETHER, HOWEVER THEY WILL PROVIDE THE NECESSARY REFERENCE MATERIAL FOR FIRMS BOTH, IN THESE SECTORS AND IN OTHER RELATED BUSINESS SECTORS, AND FOR THE GOVERNMENT, IN ASSESSING AND MONITORING THE STATE OF THESE SECTORS.

THE ANNUAL SURVEY USES DIFFERENT QUESTIONNAIRES FOR FIRMS ENGAGED IN DIFFERENT KINDS OF ACTIVITIES, NAMELY, (A) BUILDING AND CIVIL ENGINEERING CONSTRUCTION, (B) REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT, (C) ARCHITECTURAL, SURVEYING AND PROJECT ENGINEERING AND (D) REAL ESTATE LEASING, BROKERAGE AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES.

ABOUT 5 300 ESTABLISHMENTS WILL BE COVERED, INCLUDING ALL THE LARGER FIRMS AND A RANDOM SAMPLE OF THE SMALLER ONES.

INFORMATION SOUGHT IN THE SURVEY INCLUDES: TYPE OF OWNERSHIP, NUMBER OF DIRECT EMPLOYEES, LABOUR COSTS, CONSUMPTION OF MATERIALS, SUPPLIES AND FITTINGS FOR CONSTRUCTION, SUB-CONTRACT WORK, OPERATING EXPENSES, VALUE OF CONSTRUCTION WORK PERFORMED, VALUE OF PROPERTY UNDER DEVELOPMENT AND THE ASSOCIATED PROJECT OUTLAYS (INCLUDING LAND VALUE), OTHER FORMS OF BUSINESS RECEIPTS, AND CAPITAL EXPENDITURE.

AS FOR THE QUARTERLY SURVEY, ONLY INFORMATION ON THE VALUE OF CONSTRUCTION WORK WILL BE SOUGHT, AS THE PURPOSE IS TO PRODUCE, WITH THE MINIMUM TIME LAG, AN INDICATOR OF OUTPUT TRENDS IN THE INDUSTRY. ABOUT 1 800 CONSTRUCTION ESTABLISHMENTS WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE SURVEY.

/THE SURVEYS .....

THE SURVEYS ARE CONDUCTED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS (ANNUAL SURVEY OF BUILDING, CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE SECTORS) ORDER 1982 AND THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS (QUARTERLY SURVEY OF CONSTRUCTION OUTPUT) ORDER 1982, WHICH WERE MADE UNDER THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS ORDINANCE (CHAPTER 316 OF THE LAWS OF HONG KONG) AND ISSUED AS LEGAL NOTICE NO. 67 AND 68 RESPECTIVELY IN THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT GAZETTE OF MARCH 5, 1982.

SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRES ARE BEING SENT BY RECORDED DELIVERY OR ARE DELIVERED BY CENSUS OFFICERS TO THE ESTABLISHMENTS CONCERNED. MANAGERMENTS ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE AND RETURN THEM TO THE DEPARTMENT PROMPTLY. CENSUS OFFICERS WHO VISIT ESTABLISHMENTS AND ASSIST IN COMPLETING THE QUESTIONNAIRES ARE PERMANENT STAFF OF THE DEPARTMENT AND CARRY GOVERNMENT IDENTITY CARDS WHILE ON DUTY.

THE DEPARTMENT MAY BE CONTACTED FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AT TELEPHONE NUMBERS 3-7213809 AND 3-7224454.

THE COMMISSIONER FOR CENSUS AND STATISTICS APPEALED TO MANAGERMENTS TO RETURN THE COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRES AS REQUIRED AND TO CO-OPERATE WITH CENSUS OFFICERS IN THE COURSE OF ENUMERATION.

HE EMPHASISED THAT INFORMATION RELATING TO INDIVIDUAL ESTABLISHMENTS WOULD BE TREATED IN STRICT CONFIDENCE AND WOULD ONLY BE USED IN AN AGGREGATE FORM FOR STATISTICAL PURPOSES.

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DB FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR WORTHWHILE PROJECTS  
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LOCAL ORGANISATIONS AND SERVICE AGENCIES IN KOWLOON CITY MAY APPLY FOR FUNDS FROM THE DISTRICT BOARD FOR WORTHWHILE PROJECTS, THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR LEE LAP-SUN, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE KOWLOON CITY SOCIAL WELFARE SERVICES FORTNIGHT, HE SAID: +AS A RULE, DISTRICT BOARD FUNDS CANNOT BE USED FOR ANYTHING OTHER THAN NON-PROFIT MAKING AND PUBLIC PROJECTS.

+A SECOND CRITERION IS THAT THE GRANTS CARRY NO RECURRENT IMPLICATIONS.

+THIRDLY, THE ORGANISATIONS OR AGENCIES APPLYING FOR FUNDS MUST HAVE THE CAPACITY OF CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT ON THE SCALE SUGGESTED.+

MR LEE POINTED OUT THAT THERE HAD BEEN A GENUINE DEMAND FOR SUCH FUNDING, AS REFLECTED IN THE CONSIDERABLE INCREASE IN THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FROM GOVERNMENT FOR THE CURRENT YEAR.

/+LAST YEAR, .....

+LAST YEAR, THE BOARD WAS ALLOCATED \$870 000 AND THIS HAS BEEN INCREASED TO \$1.45 MILLION FOR 1983-84.+

MR LEE SAID ALL APPLICATIONS WOULD BE VETTED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD OR ITS COMMITTEES TO ENSURE THAT MONEY ALLOCATED WAS USED WISELY.

THE SOCIAL WELFARE FORTNIGHT WAS A MEANINGFUL PROJECT AND SERVED TO INFORM RESIDENTS OF WELFARE SERVICES AVAILABLE IN THE DISTRICT.

DURING THE TWO WEEKS, OUTDOOR PROGRAMMES INCLUDING VISITS TO OCEAN PARK, CHILDREN AND FAMILY CAMPS, AND INDOOR FUNCTIONS SUCH AS FORUMS, SEMINARS AND A HEALTH EXAMINATION SERVICE FOR THE ELDERLY WILL BE ORGANISED.

+THESE PROGRAMMES AIM AT PROMOTING THE SPIRIT OF MUTUAL CONCERN AMONG RESIDENTS AND AT INCREASING THE UTILISATION OF SOCIAL WELFARE SERVICES BY THEM,+ A DISTRICT OFFICE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE PROJECT IS JOINTLY RUN BY 48 VOLUNTEER AGENCIES IN THE DISTRICT AND SPONSORED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD.

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#### COMMITTEE PROMOTES EDUCATION ON REHABILITATION \* \* \* \* \*

A COMMITTEE HAS BEEN SET UP TO PROMOTE AND CO-ORDINATE ANNUAL PROGRAMMES OF PUBLIC EDUCATION ACTIVITIES ON REHABILITATION, THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR JOHN CHAMBERS, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY) AT THE OPENING OF THE SHAM SHUI PO PHAB CENTRE.

HE SAID THE COMMITTEE, COMPRISING REPRESENTATIVES OF GOVERNMENT AND VOLUNTARY AGENCIES, WAS ESTABLISHED UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE REHABILITATION DEVELOPMENT CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE TO CONTINUE THE PUBLIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN AFTER THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF DISABLED PERSONS IN 1981.

THE THEME FOR 1983 IS +FRIENDSHIP - A WAY TO INTEGRATION+.

MR CHAMBERS SAID THAT THE HONG KONG PHAB ASSOCIATION HAD ALWAYS ADOPTED A VERY SPECIAL APPROACH TO THEIR WORK FOR THE HANDICAPPED MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY.

HE NOTED THAT THE PHAB CONCEPT, EXPRESSED IN SIMPLE TERMS, WAS TO PROMOTE CO-OPERATION AND MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE HANDICAPPED AND THE ABLE-BODIED BY BRINGING THEM TOGETHER FOR RECREATIONAL, EDUCATIONAL, VOCATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES.

+CLOSER INTERACTION BETWEEN THE ABLE-BODIED AND THE HANDICAPPED IS SEEN AS THE KEY TO ACHIEVING CO-OPERATION AND UNDERSTANDING,+ HE STRESSED.

HE SAID THE CONCEPT +IN FACT EMBODIES THE ULTIMATE GOAL OF REHABILITATION FOR THE HANDICAPPED, WHICH IS THE FULLEST POSSIBLE DEGREE OF INTEGRATION INTO AND ACCEPTANCE BY THE COMMUNITY.+

THE DIRECTOR CONGRATULATED THE ASSOCIATION, WHICH WAS CELEBRATING ITS TENTH ANNIVERSARY THIS YEAR, FOR THE INVALUABLE WORK IT HAD DONE DURING THE PAST DECADE.

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AIRPORT INFORMATION TALKS

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MR R.A. SIEGEL, AIRPORT GENERAL MANAGER, WILL REPRESENT THE CIVIL AVIATION DEPARTMENT AT THE 13TH ANNUAL AOCI (AIRPORT OPERATORS COUNCIL INTERNATIONAL) ASIA-PACIFIC BASIN REGIONAL AIRPORTS CONFERENCE TO BE STAGED AT CHRISTCHURCH, NEW ZEALAND FROM APRIL 18 TO 21.

THE MEETING PROVIDES THE MEANS FOR AN INFORMAL EXCHANGE OF AIRPORT INFORMATION ON TECHNICAL, OPERATIONAL, MANAGERIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS.

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FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR SCHOOL SUMMER ACTIVITIES

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SECONDARY AND PRIMARY SCHOOLS ARE INVITED TO APPLY FOR FUNDS DONATED BY THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB FOR ACTIVITIES DURING THE COMING SUMMER HOLIDAY.

HEADS OF SCHOOLS MAY SUBMIT TO THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT COPIES OF THEIR PROPOSED SCHOOLS' SUMMER ACTIVITIES PROGRAMME, SHOWING SEPARATELY THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS AND STAFF EXPECTED TO BE INVOLVED IN EACH ITEM.

EACH PROGRAMME MAY BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDS FOR A SUPPLEMENTARY LIST OF ACTIVITIES WHICH WOULD BE IMPLEMENTED ONLY IF FUNDS WERE MADE AVAILABLE, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SAID.

ALL ACTIVITIES SHOULD BE CARRIED OUT BETWEEN JULY 11 AND AUGUST 31, THE SPOKESMAN NOTED.

THE MAIN CRITERION IN THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS WILL BE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE PROPOSED PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES IN PROVIDING A WORTHWHILE USE OF LEISURE TIME, INCLUDING BOTH PHYSICAL AND MENTAL ACTIVITY.

UNLIKE IN PREVIOUS YEARS, FUNDS WILL NOT BE ALLOCATED FOR PICNICS AND SCHOOLS ARE ASKED TO PLAN ACTIVITIES WHICH ARE MORE EDUCATIONAL AND MEANINGFUL, SUCH AS GEOGRAPHICAL FIELD TRIPS TO OUTLYING ISLANDS OR VISITS TO THE OCEAN PARK.

ALL APPLICATIONS SHOULD REACH THE PRINCIPAL INSPECTOR (PHYSICAL EDUCATION), (SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME FOR SCHOOLS), PHYSICAL EDUCATION SECTION, EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 7/F, 405 NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, HEADS OF SCHOOLS MAY CONTACT THE PHYSICAL EDUCATION SECTION AT TEL. NO. 3-884111 EXT. 272 OR 258.

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PRIZES FOR SAFETY POSTER DESIGN WINNERS  
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A STUDENT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTRA-MURAL STUDIES OF THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG AND ONE FROM QUEEN'S COLLEGE - HAVE WON THE TWO TOP PRIZES FOR THEIR ENTRIES IN THE 15TH ANNUAL INDUSTRIAL SAFETY POSTER DESIGN COMPETITION ORGANISED BY THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT.

THE WINNING ENTRIES WERE SELECTED BY A PANEL OF JUDGES COMPRISING AN ARTS INSPECTOR FROM THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, MR LEE SAU-KEE, A LECTURER FROM THE DESIGN DEPARTMENT OF THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC, MR DERICK PAO, AND TWO OFFICERS FROM THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT.

THE COMPETITION, WAS DIVIDED INTO TWO SECTIONS - AN +A+ SECTION, FOR STUDENTS OF SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND TECHNICAL SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND A +B+ SECTION, FOR POST-SECONDARY COLLEGES AND VOCATIONAL INSTITUTES. IT ATTRACTED A RECORD 675 ENTRIES.

IN SECTION +A+, THE FIRST PRIZE OF A GIFT COUPON OF \$1 500 GOES TO LEE KIN-HUNG OF QUEEN'S COLLEGE, AND IN SECTION +B+, A SIMILAR COUPON, GOES TO LAI OI-SHAN OF THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY.

IN ADDITION, 10 ENTRIES FROM EACH SECTION WILL BE AWARDED \$300 GIFT COUPONS AS CONSOLATION PRIZES.

THE PRIZES WILL BE PRESENTED AT THE +SAFETY EXTRAVAGANZA+ SLIDE SHOW AND INDUSTRIAL SAFETY EQUIPMENT EXHIBITION IN THE CITY HALL EXHIBITION HALL ON MAY 10.

THE STANDARD OF SOME OF THE ENTRIES IN BOTH SECTIONS WAS QUITE GOOD, MR DERICK PAO, OF THE POLYTECHNIC SAID. ENTRIES IN THE +B+ SECTION WERE COMPARATIVELY MORE CREATIVE AND FEATURED BETTER IMAGES AND INDUSTRIAL SAFETY SLOGANS, HE ADDED.

+MORE IMPORTANT AND ENCOURAGING FOR US IS THE FACT THAT THE ENTHUSIASTIC RESPONSE TO THE COMPETITION UNDERLINED THE PARTICIPANTS' INTEREST IN AND CONCERN FOR INDUSTRIAL SAFETY,+ HE NOTED.

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RECONSTRUCTION OF WATER STREET  
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THE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT PLANS TO RECONSTRUCT A SECTION OF WATER STREET BETWEEN THIRD STREET AND CONNAUGHT ROAD WEST TO RELIEVE VEHICULAR AND PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC CONGESTION IN THE AREA.

THE PROJECT ALSO COMPRISES THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE FOOTPATHS INCLUDING THE WIDENING OF A SECTION OF THE WESTERN FOOTPATH TO ACCOMMODATE THE EXISTING COOKED FOOD STALLS AND THE ASSOCIATED DRAINAGE WORKS.

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DURING THE CONSTRUCTION PERIOD A SECTION OF WATER STREET BETWEEN THIRD STREET AND QUEEN'S ROAD WEST WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL VEHICULAR TRAFFIC AND ITS SECTION BETWEEN QUEEN'S ROAD WEST AND CONNAUGHT ROAD WEST WILL BE OPENED ONLY TO ONE-LANE NORTHBOUND TRAFFIC.

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

A PLAN SHOWING THE PROPOSED WORKS MAY BE SEEN AT THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING MAIN ENTRANCE; THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE, HONG KONG NORTH, MURRAY BUILDING, 3RD FLOOR, GARDEN ROAD AND THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, 222-224 DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL, HONG KONG.

ANY PERSON OBJECTING TO THE PROPOSAL MUST SEND HIS OBJECTION IN WRITING TO THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS WITHIN 60 DAYS.

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#### SHORT TERM TENANCIES FOR CROWN LAND

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THE LANDS DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE SHORT TERM TENANCIES OF THREE PIECES OF CROWN LAND IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

TWO OF THE LOTS, EACH OF ABOUT 375 SQUARE METRES IN AREA, ARE IN TUNG TAU INDUSTRIAL AREA IN YUEN LONG.

THEY ARE FOR THE REPAIR OR MAINTENANCE (INCLUDING PAINT SPRAYING) OF MOTOR VEHICLES OF BELOW TWO TONS IN WEIGHT.

THE TENANCY FOR THESE SITES IS FOR TWO YEARS AND THEREAFTER QUARTERLY.

THE REMAINING LOT IS IN SHA TIN NEW TOWN NEAR SHA TIN CITY NO. 1.

IT HAS AN AREA OF ABOUT 1 480 SQUARE METRES AND IS FOR OPEN STORAGE OF GOODS OF A GENERAL NATURE, BUT EXCLUDING THE REPAIRING AND BREAKING OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

THE TENANCY FOR THIS SITE IS FOR THREE YEARS AND THEREAFTER QUARTERLY.

THE DEADLINE FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF TENDERS FOR THE ABOVE THREE SITES IS 12 NOON ON APRIL 29.

TENDER FORMS, NOTICES AND CONDITIONS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM, AND TENDER PLANS INSPECTED AT THE LANDS DEPARTMENT, MURRAY BUILDING, 5TH FLOOR, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG; DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE (KOWLOON WEST), KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 10TH FLOOR, 405 NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON; AND AT THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE YUEN LONG FOR THE YUEN LONG SITES AND THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE SHA TIN FOR THE SHA TIN SITE.

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COVERED FOOTBRIDGE FOR TSIM SHA TSUI EAST  
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THE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT PLANS TO CONSTRUCT A COVERED FOOTBRIDGE AT THE JUNCTION OF CHATHAM ROAD SOUTH AND GRANVILLE ROAD TO PROVIDE ANOTHER SAFE CROSSING FACILITY FOR THE PEDESTRIANS IN TSIM SHA TSUI EAST.

WORK ON THE PROJECT IS EXPECTED TO COMMENCE IN AUGUST AND BE COMPLETED IN JULY NEXT YEAR.

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

A PLAN SHOWING THE PROPOSED WORKS CAN BE SEEN AT THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING MAIN ENTRANCE; THE YAU MA TEI DISTRICT OFFICE, 490-492 NATHAN ROAD, HOP FAT COMMERCIAL CENTRE, GROUND, 2ND - 5TH FLOORS, KOWLOON AND THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE, KOWLOON WEST, 10TH FLOOR, KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 405 NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON.

ANY PERSON OBJECTING TO THE PROPOSAL MUST SEND HIS OBJECTION IN WRITING TO THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS WITHIN 60 DAYS.

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TUEN MUN WATER MAINS WORK  
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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO HOUSES IN SOME AREAS IN TUEN MUN WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR 11 HOURS FROM 9 PM ON WEDNESDAY (APRIL 20) FOR WATER MAINS CONNECTION.

THE ARRANGEMENT WILL AFFECT HOUSES IN AREA 4B, AREA 26, AREA 36, AREA 10 (INCLUDING TUEN MUN CLINIC), AREA 11, AREA 37A, AND AREA 37B (INCLUDING YAN OI POLYCLINIC) IN TUEN MUN; ON TING ESTATE, YAU OI ESTATE, SAN FAT ESTATE, SAM SHING ESTATE. ALSO AFFECTED WILL BE HOUSES ALONG CASTLE PEAK ROAD FROM TSENG TAU TSUEN SHEUNG TSUEN TO TAI LAM CHUNG, INCLUDING ALL VILLAGES, VILLAS AND PEARL ISLAND.

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