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COLLEGE SET TO MAKE GREATER CONTRIBUTION
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THE SHUE YAN COLLEGE, WITH ITS NEW CAMPUS AND FACILITIES, IS NOW SET FAIR TO MAKE AN EVEN MORE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION TO HIGHER EDUCATION IN HONG KONG, THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR PHILIP HADDON-CAVE, SAID TODAY (WEDNESDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE TOPPING-OUT CEREMONY OF THE COLLEGE'S NEW CAMPUS IN NORTH POINT, SIR PHILIP SAID THAT THE ROLE OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE HONG KONG OF TOMORROW COULD NOT BE OVER-EMPHASISED.

FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF SIR PHILIP'S SPEECH:

+I AM VERY GLAD TO BE HERE THIS AFTERNOON TO MARK THE COMPLETION OF THIS BUILDING LONG CHERISHED BY THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF SHUE YAN COLLEGE.

+SINCE ITS FOUNDATION IN 1971, SHUE YAN COLLEGE HAS BEEN DEDICATED TO THE TASK OF FOSTERING POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION IN HONG KONG. OVER THE YEARS, MORE THAN 3 000 STUDENTS HAVE GRADUATED FROM THE COLLEGE. THEY HAVE MOVED INTO MANY FIELDS: EDUCATION, BUSINESS, SOCIAL WELFARE AND MASS COMMUNICATION. THEY HAVE CONFIRMED THE COLLEGE'S REPUTATION AS AN INSTITUTION DEVOTED TO SERVING THE COMMUNITY'S NEEDS. THE COLLEGE HAS ALSO WON RECOGNITION ABROAD. IT IS A MEMBER OF THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIA INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING (ASAIHL) AND OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS OF SOCIAL WORK. THROUGH ACADEMIC CO-OPERATION WITH A NUMBER OF UNIVERSITIES IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA, CREDITS EARNED BY STUDENTS FROM SELECTED COURSES AT SHUE YAN ARE RECOGNISED BY THESE UNIVERSITIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF FURTHER STUDIES.

+SINCE 1971, THE COLLEGE HAS GROWN BOTH IN STUDENT NUMBERS AND IN THE VARIETY OF COURSES OFFERED. TODAY, IT HAS 12 DEPARTMENTS AND A TOTAL ENROLMENT OF ABOUT 3 000 STUDENTS. THIS EXPANSION HAS GENERATED A NEED FOR PURPOSE-BUILT PREMISES ON A PERMANENT CAMPUS. THIS NEED IS TO BE FULFILLED BY THIS FINE BUILDING WHICH WE SEE TODAY.

+I SHOULD LIKE TO CONGRATULATE THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF SHUE YAN COLLEGE AND DR HU ON THIS ACHIEVEMENT. WITHOUT THEIR FORESIGHT, ENTHUSIASM AND DETERMINATION, THIS PROJECT WOULD NOT HAVE COME TO FRUITION. THE COLLEGE, WITH ITS NEW CAMPUS AND FACILITIES, IS NOW SET FAIR TO MAKE AN EVEN MORE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION TO HIGHER EDUCATION IN HONG KONG- AND I BELIEVE THAT THE ROLE OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE HONG KONG OF TOMORROW CANNOT BE OVER-EMPHASISED.

+I WISH THE COLLEGE, ITS FOUNDERS, STAFF AND STUDENTS EVERY SUCCESS.+

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ORDERS-ON-HAND STAY HIGH
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THE AVERAGE VOLUME OF ORDERS-ON-HAND IN TERMS OF MONTHS IN THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR REMAINED AT A HIGH LEVEL IN JUNE THIS YEAR, ACCORDING TO SURVEY RESULTS RELEASED BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT TODAY (WEDNESDAY).

MANUFACTURERS IN MOST INDUSTRIES REPORTED INCREASES IN THE VOLUME OF ORDERS, COMPARED WITH THE PREVIOUS MONTH.

THE PLASTIC PRODUCTS INDUSTRY SHOWED THE MOST SIGNIFICANT INCREASE AS SEVERAL FIRMS RECEIVED MORE NEW ORDERS.

ON THE OTHER HAND, THE TEXTILES AND ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS INDUSTRIES REPORTED DECLINES IN ORDERS.

INCREASES IN EMPLOYMENT WERE RECORDED IN MOST INDUSTRIES IN THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR, MAINLY DUE TO THE RECRUITMENT OF SUMMER WORKERS.

HOWEVER, THE TEXTILES INDUSTRY REPORTED NO CHANGE IN THE LEVEL OF EMPLOYMENT.

EMPLOYMENT IN THE SERVICES SECTOR ALSO SHOWED NO CHANGE FROM THE PREVIOUS MONTH.

IN THE CONSTRUCTION SECTOR, THE NUMBER OF OPERATIVES INCREASED AS A FEW FIRMS STARTED NEW CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.

COMPARED WITH THE PREVIOUS MONTH, PAYROLL FOR THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR AS A WHOLE ROSE. HOWEVER, THERE WAS A DECREASE IN PER CAPITA EARNINGS MAINLY BECAUSE OF LOWER WAGE RATES OFFERED TO THE SUMMER WORKERS.

FOR THE TEXTILES INDUSTRY, BOTH PAYROLL AND PER CAPITA EARNINGS FELL SIGNIFICANTLY AFTER THE INCREASE IN MAY.

WITHIN THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR, THE FOOD AND DRINKS INDUSTRY WAS THE ONLY ONE THAT RECORDED INCREASES IN BOTH PAYROLL AND PER CAPITA EARNINGS IN JUNE.

PER CAPITA EARNINGS IN THE CONSTRUCTION SECTOR DECREASED, DUE TO LESS PAYMENTS FOR OVERTIME WORK.

ON THE OTHER HAND, BOTH PAYROLL AND PER CAPITA EARNINGS IN THE SERVICES SECTOR AS A WHOLE WAS STABLE.

THE PERCENTAGE CHANGES IN ORDERS-ON-HAND, EMPLOYMENT AND PER CAPITA EARNINGS FOR THE LAST THREE MONTHS ARE SHOWN IN TWO TABLES BELOW.

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WHEN RELEASING THE SURVEY RESULTS, THE DEPARTMENT POINTED OUT THAT THE SURVEY COVERED A PANEL OF THE 200 LARGEST MANUFACTURING COMPANIES AND THE 50 LARGEST COMPANIES IN THE CONSTRUCTION AND SELECTED SERVICES SECTORS CHOSEN BY REFERENCE TO THEIR EMPLOYMENT IN MARCH 1983.

AS THE SAMPLE WAS NOT DRAWN ON A RANDOM BASIS, THE DEPARTMENT CAUTIONED THAT RESULTS ON MAGNITUDE OF CHANGE MIGHT NOT REFLECT THE EXPERIENCE OF THE ECONOMY AS A WHOLE, ALTHOUGH THEY SHOULD GIVE A USEFUL INDICATION OF THE DIRECTION OF CHANGE FOR A QUICK ASSESSMENT OF DEVELOPMENTS IN THE ECONOMY IN THE SHORT TERM.

THE SURVEY REPORT IS NOW ON SALE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GENERAL POST OFFICE, AND THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT PUBLICATIONS SALES COUNTER, AT \$1.5 PER COPY.

ENQUIRIES ON THE SURVEY RESULTS MAY BE MADE TO THE DEPARTMENT'S INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION STATISTICS SECTION AT 3-7212579.

THE TWO STATISTICAL TABLES ARE:

(A) ORDERS-ON-HAND IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

<u>INDUSTRY</u>	<u>(% CHANGE OVER THE PRECEDING MONTH)</u>			<u>ORDERS-ON-HAND (IN TERMS OF MONTHS) FOR JUNE 1984</u>
	<u>APR. 1984</u>	<u>MAY 1984</u>	<u>JUNE 1984</u>	
WEARING APPAREL, EXCEPT FOOTWEAR	-1	1	1	5.14
TEXTILES, EXCEPT WEARING APPAREL	-2	-4	-3	2.40
PLASTIC PRODUCTS	1	1	7	4.43
FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS	2	-1	1	3.60
ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS	1	*	-1	5.72
OTHERS	1	*	1	4.43
<u>ALL ABOVE INDUSTRIES</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>4.77</u>

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INDUSTRY/ SERVICE	PERSONS ENGAGED BY THE COMPANIES SURVEYED			PER CAPITA EARNINGS (% CHANGE OVER THE PRECEDING MONTH)			PER CAPITA EARNINGS FOR JUNE 1984 HK\$
	APR. 1984	MAY 1984	JUNE 1984	APR. 1984	MAY 1984	JUNE 1984	
<u>MANUFACTURING</u>	*	2	5	*	3	-3	2 654
FOOD AND DRINKS	1	1	1	6	2	3	3 597
WEARING APPAREL, EXCEPT FOOTWEAR	*	*	2	-2	5	*	2 368
TEXTILES, EXCEPT WEARING APPAREL	*	-1	*	-1	19	-11	2 877
PLASTIC PRODUCTS	4	9	15	2	2	-8	2 369
FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS	4	4	5	*	-1	-2	2 144
ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS	*	3	6	*	*	-1	2 447
OTHERS	*	2	3	2	*	-2	3 621
<u>CONSTRUCTION</u> **	2	1	2	-4	3	-2	3 930

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SERVICES	*	*	*	2	-1	*	4 768
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BANKS	*	*	*	5	1	*	4 325
HOTELS	1	*	*	10	-10	-1	3 141
PUBLIC UTILITIES	*	*	*	3	-1	1	4 754
OTHERS	*	*	1	-3	2	-2	6 103

* CHANGES WITHIN + 0.5%

** PERSONS ENGAGED COVER COMPANY EMPLOYEES ONLY; SITE WORKERS EMPLOYED BY LABOUR-ONLY SUB-CONTRACTORS NOT INCLUDED.

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LABOUR MP DUE TOMORROW
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LABOUR MP, MR DENNIS CANAVAN, WILL ARRIVE IN HONG KONG TOMORROW (THURSDAY) FOR A NINE-DAY VISIT.

MR CANAVAN WILL MEET A WIDE CROSS-SECTION OF THE PUBLIC AND VISIT VARIOUS PLACES, INCLUDING SOUTHERN DISTRICT, HOUSING ESTATES, A FACTORY AND A VIETNAMESE REFUGEE CLOSED CENTRE.

HE WILL ATTEND AN URBAN COUNCIL RECEPTION AS WELL AS DINNERS HOSTED BY THE REV PATRICK MCGOVERN AND YOUNG LOCAL BUSINESSMEN.

MR CANAVAN WILL ALSO MEET UMELCO, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CIVIL SERVICE TRADE UNIONS, MAC CHAIRMEN, SOCIAL WORKERS AND INTEREST GROUPS.

HE WILL GIVE A PRESS CONFERENCE ON AUGUST 24 (FRIDAY) AND LEAVE HONG KONG THE SAME DAY.

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\$87 MILLION MA ON SHAN CONTRACT AWARDED
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A NETWORK OF ROADS AND ESSENTIAL COMMUNITY FACILITIES TO SERVE MA ON SHAN WILL BE READY WHEN RESIDENTS MOVE INTO THE FIRST HOUSING ESTATE AT THE END OF 1986.

THE NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT TODAY (WEDNESDAY) AWARDED THE WORKS CONTRACT TO MARPLES INTERNATIONAL LIMITED FOR THE PROJECT WHICH INCLUDES BUILDING ROADS, FORMING LAND AND CONSTRUCTING A SEAWALL.

THE \$87 MILLION CONTRACT WAS SIGNED BY THE SHA TIN PROJECT MANAGER, MR KEITH AUSTIN, AND THE DIRECTOR OF MARPLES INTERNATIONAL LIMITED, MR GRAHAM BATES.

THE PROJECT INVOLVES THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 3.8-KILOMETRE TWO-LANE SINGLE CARRIAGEWAY AND ASSOCIATED FOOTPATHS AND CYCLETRACKS.

IT ALSO INCLUDES THE RECLAMATION AND FORMATION OF ABOUT 16 HECTARES OF LAND TO PROVIDE SITES FOR A FIRE STATION, AN AMBULANCE DEPOT AND OTHER FACILITIES.

A 180-METRE-LONG SEAWALL WILL ALSO BE BUILT, IN ADDITION TO STORM-WATER DRAINS AND SEWERS AND EXTENSIVE LANDSCAPING.

WORK ON THE PROJECT IS EXPECTED TO START TOWARDS THE END OF THE MONTH AND TAKE ABOUT TWO YEARS TO COMPLETE.

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FINAL PHASE OF REDEVELOPMENT UNDERWAY
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THE THIRD, AND LAST, PHASE OF REDEVELOPMENT FOR CHAI WAN (WEST) ESTATE, NOW RE-NAMED WAN TSUI ESTATE, HAS JUST STARTED FOLLOWING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A \$110.6 MILLION BUILDING TENDER RECENTLY BY THE HOUSING AUTHORITY.

UNDER THE TENDER, TWO HIGH-RISE DOUBLE-H BLOCKS WITH A TOTAL OF 1 546 MODERN SELF-CONTAINED FLATS WILL BE BUILT TO ACCOMMODATE 7 000 PEOPLE.

ALSO TO BE BUILT ARE A THREE-STOREY MULTI-PURPOSE MARKET BUILDING AND A SINGLE-STOREY LORRY PARK OF WHICH THE ROOF WILL BE LANDSCAPED AND TURNED INTO A RECREATION PODIUM.

THE MARKET BUILDING WILL FORM THE EXTENSION OF THE EXISTING WAN TSUI COMMERCIAL CENTRE TO PROVIDE EXTRA SHOPPING AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES, INCLUDING SOME 57 MARKET STALLS, FIVE COOKED FOOD STALLS, A CHILDREN AND YOUTH CENTRE AND OVER 100 PARKING SPACES.

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REDEVELOPMENT WORK ON CHAI WAN (WEST) ESTATE WAS FIRST STARTED IN 1976 TO IMPROVE LIVING CONDITIONS AND RELIEVE OVERCROWDING ON THE ESTATE.

SINCE THEN SIX NEW RENTAL BLOCKS AND TWO HOS BLOCKS TOGETHER WITH A MODERN SHOPPING CENTRE HAVE BEEN BUILT, AND TWO ORIGINAL BLOCKS HAVE BEEN CONVERTED TO PROVIDE SELF-CONTAINED FLATS.

UPON FULL COMPLETION OF REDEVELOPMENT BY 1986, WAN TSUI ESTATE WILL HAVE A TOTAL OF 3 947 FLATS IN 10 RENTAL BLOCKS WITH A POPULATION OF MORE THAN 18 000 PEOPLE.

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FINANCIAL SECRETARY VISITS FACTORY
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THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY, SIR JOHN BREMRIDGE, TODAY (WEDNESDAY) BEGAN A PROGRAMME OF VISITS TO LOCAL MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES BY TOURING A GARMENT FACTORY IN KWUN TONG.

ACCOMPANIED BY THE ACTING DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY, MR PETER JOHNSON, SIR JOHN WENT TO WING TAI GARMENT INDUSTRIAL HOLDINGS LTD AND WAS SHOWN AROUND THE PRODUCTION FLOORS BY THE COMPANY'S MANAGING DIRECTOR, MR CHRISTOPHER CHENG.

WING TAI GARMENT, ESTABLISHED IN 1957 AS A LOCALLY-OWNED PRIVATE COMPANY, PRODUCES MAINLY COTTON JEANS FOR EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES AND THE UNITED KINGDOM.

THE FACTORY HAS A COMPUTERISED PLOTTER-MARKER SYSTEM WHICH ENABLES NOT ONLY MAXIMUM UTILISATION OF FABRICS BUT ALSO CONSIDERABLE SAVINGS IN TIME AND MANPOWER.

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MORE BOARDS TO DISCUSS GREEN PAPER
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CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS WILL DISCUSS THE GREEN PAPER ON THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT IN HONG KONG AT THEIR MEETING TOMORROW (THURSDAY) AFTERNOON.

THEIR VIEWS, TOGETHER WITH OPINIONS COLLECTED AT VARIOUS PUBLIC FORUMS HELD IN THE DISTRICT DURING THE PAST WEEKS, WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION.

AT THE MEETING, MEMBERS WILL ALSO BE BRIEFED ON THE BUILDING OF A PUBLIC TOILET AND A REFUSE COLLECTION POINT AT LAN KWAI FONG.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA WILL INCLUDE DISCUSSION ON THE PROPOSED PROVISION OF AMENITIES FACILITIES IN TWO PICNIC AREAS, A REVIEW ON THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN DISTRICT BOARDS, AREA COMMITTEE AND MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES, AND PROGRESS REPORTS ON THE BOARD'S COMMITTEES.

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TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS CLAIM MORE LIVES THAN CRIMES
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THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE KILLED IN TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS LAST YEAR WAS FOUR TIMES MORE THAN THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE KILLED DURING THE COURSE OF CRIMES IN HONG KONG.

THE NUMBER OF INJURED WAS THREE AND A HALF TIMES THE FIGURE FOR VICTIMS OF SERIOUS ASSAULT CASES.

THIS WAS DISCLOSED BY THE POLICE DISTRICT COMMANDER OF YAU MA TEI, MR BEN MUNFORD, AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF YAU MA TEI ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN THIS (WEDNESDAY) AFTERNOON.

THERE WERE NEARLY 17 000 ROAD ACCIDENTS IN 1983, RESULTING IN 340 PEOPLE KILLED AND SOME 22 000 INJURED.

MR MUNFORD SAID THAT WHILE PEOPLE WERE SHOCKED AND INDIGNANT ABOUT A VIOLENT CRIME AND SYMPATHISED WITH THE VICTIM, THEY RARELY HAD THE SAME FEELING TOWARDS A ROAD ACCIDENT.

HE SAID, " THIS LACK OF CONCERN CAN PERHAPS BE ATTRIBUTED TO A NUMBER OF FACTORS INCLUDING THE SOMEWHAT SELFISH ATTITUDE THAT IT DOES NOT AFFECT ME OR MY FAMILY.

"BUT IT DOES. ANY LOSS TO THE COMMUNITY MUST AFFECT YOU EVEN IF ONLY INDIRECTLY, AND NEXT TIME IT COULD BE YOUR LITTLE BOY OR YOUR AGED MOTHER WHO IS INJURED BECAUSE EITHER THEY DO NOT HEED THE BASIC SAFETY RULES OR AN INCONSIDERATE DRIVER HAPPENS TO BE IN A HURRY TO GET FROM ONE PLACE TO ANOTHER."

IT WAS NOT JUST THE DRIVERS WHO WERE THE ONES TO BLAME IN MOST ROAD ACCIDENTS, MR MUNFORD EMPHASISED. POLICE INVESTIGATIONS SHOWED THAT IN ABOUT HALF OF ALL CASES IT WAS THE PEDESTRIANS WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THEIR OWN DEATH OR INJURIES THROUGH SHEER NEGLIGENCE, OR BY CROSSING THE ROAD AT THE WRONG TIME OR IN THE WRONG PLACE.

TO SAFEGUARD LIVES, HE URGED ALL ROAD USERS TO OBSERVE THIS MOTTO: "DO NOT DRIVE TOO FAST, AND STOP AND LOOK BEFORE YOU CROSS THE ROAD."

ALSO OFFICIATING AT THE CEREMONY WERE POLICE SENIOR STAFF OFFICER OF KOWLOON TRAFFIC, MR MIKE HARPER- THE PRESIDENT OF THE CAMPAIGN ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR YANG TZE-KIANG, AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR NG MAN-KEUNG.

STARTING FROM TOMORROW, THERE WILL BE AN EDUCATION FORTNIGHT. IT WILL BE FOLLOWED BY ANOTHER TWO-WEEK POLICE ENFORCEMENT ACTION.

DURING THE CAMPAIGN, POLICE STREET EDUCATION TEAMS WILL BE DEPLOYED TO LOCAL TRAFFIC BLACKSPOTS AND PEDESTRIAN PROBLEM AREAS TO EDUCATE LOCAL RESIDENTS ON HOW TO USE THE ROADS.

IN ADDITION, OTHER ACTIVITIES SUCH AS QUIZ AND SEMINARS ON ROAD SAFETY WILL BE HELD.

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LABOUR ADVISORY BOARD MEETS
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MEMBERS OF THE LABOUR ADVISORY BOARD MET TODAY (WEDNESDAY) TO DISCUSS PROPOSALS TO ALLOCATE THE SURPLUS FUNDS OF THE PNEUMOCONIOSIS COMPENSATION FUND BOARD FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

THE SURPLUS HAS RESULTED FROM A STEADY DECREASE IN THE NUMBER OF PNEUMOCONIOSIS CASES, AND SO FAR THERE HAS NOT BEEN ANY CLAIM FOR COMMON LAW DAMAGES.

THE BOARD ALSO DISCUSSED SOME PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION ORDINANCE, WHICH WAS LAST AMENDED IN 1982. THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS AIMED TO REMOVE CERTAIN MINOR DEFICIENCIES EXPERIENCED IN OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES.

ON THE EMPLOYMENT ORDINANCE, THE BOARD SUGGESTED THAT THE CURRENT WAGE CEILING FOR NON-MANUAL EMPLOYEES BE RAISED FROM \$8 500 TO \$9 500, SO AS TO KEEP IN STEP WITH WAGE INCREASES.

IT WAS ALSO SUGGESTED THAT A DEATH GRANT SCHEME BE INTRODUCED FOR BURIAL EXPENSES INCURRED BY DEPENDENTS OF DECEASED EMPLOYEES.

THE BOARD ALSO REVIEWED PROGRESS OF SEVERAL PIECES OF PROPOSED LABOUR LEGISLATION ON WHICH PREVIOUS ADVICE HAD BEEN GIVEN, AND THE WORK DONE BY THE BOARD'S COMMITTEES ON INDUSTRIAL SAFETY, EMPLOYMENT SERVICES AND IMPLEMENTATION OF LABOUR STANDARDS.

THE MEETING WAS CHAIRED BY THE COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR, MR RON BRIDGE, AND WAS ATTENDED BY FIVE EMPLOYERS AND FOUR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTATIVES.

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SHIPBUILDING MANPOWER SURVEY TO START SOON
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THE BIENNIAL MANPOWER SURVEY OF HONG KONG'S SHIPBUILDING AND SHIP REPAIR INDUSTRY WILL BE CONDUCTED BETWEEN AUGUST 28 AND SEPTEMBER 12 BY THE SHIPBUILDING AND SHIP REPAIRS INDUSTRY TRAINING BOARD OF THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL.

THE SURVEY WILL COVER SOME 700 ESTABLISHMENTS, INCLUDING SHIPYARDS, BOATYARDS, REPAIR PONTOONS, SHIP SURVEYORS AND CONSULTANT FIRMS, SHIPPING FIRMS WHICH EMPLOY LOCAL SHORE-BASED TECHNICAL STAFF, MARINE ENGINES AND ELECTRICAL REPAIRS AND SERVICING COMPANIES, EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND THE MARINE DEPARTMENT.

+UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION IS VITAL TO THE TRAINING BOARD TO FORMULATE TRAINING PLANS. THUS EMPLOYERS ARE REQUESTED TO CO-OPERATE BY SUPPLYING ACCURATE INFORMATION,+ A SPOKESMAN FOR THE BOARD SAID.

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HE STRESSED THAT THE DATA COLLECTED WILL BE HANDLED IN STRICT CONFIDENCE AND WILL BE RELEASED ONLY IN THE FORM OF STATISTICAL SUMMARIES WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ANY INDIVIDUAL ESTABLISHMENTS.

QUESTIONNAIRES AND EXPLANATORY NOTES WILL BE SENT TO EMPLOYERS THIS WEEK. OFFICERS FROM THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT WILL VISIT THEM TO HELP COMPLETE THE FORMS.

ALSO ASSISTING IN THE SURVEY ARE THE TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND INDUSTRIAL TRAINING DEPARTMENT AND THE GOVERNMENT DATA PROCESSING AGENCY.

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FISHERMEN DELEGATION TO VISIT GUANGZHOU
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A DELEGATION OF 12 HONG KONG FISHERMEN WILL LEAVE ON MONDAY (AUGUST 20) FOR GUANGZHOU ON AN EIGHT-DAY STUDY TOUR ORGANISED JOINTLY BY THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT AND THE FISH MARKETING ORGANISATION.

DURING THEIR STAY, THE DELEGATES WILL VISIT THE INTERNATIONAL FISHERIES AND PROCESSING EXHIBITION BEING HELD THERE.

PRIOR TO THEIR DEPARTURE, THE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES, DR JOHN RIDDELL-SWAN, WILL PRESENT A BANNER TO THE DELEGATION AT A CEREMONY TOMORROW (THURSDAY).

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SEMINARS ON WIREFREE INDUCTION LOOP SYSTEM
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TEACHERS OF ENGLISH IN PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS ARE INVITED TO TAKE PART IN SEMINARS ON THE USE OF THE WIREFREE INDUCTION LOOP SYSTEM TO BE HELD NEXT MONTH.

THE SEMINARS ARE ORGANISED BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHING CENTRE.

FOUR SEMINARS WILL BE HELD FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHERS FROM SEPTEMBER 20 TO SEPTEMBER 25, AND ANOTHER FOUR FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS FROM SEPTEMBER 17 TO SEPTEMBER 27.

AT EACH OF THE TWO-HOUR SEMINARS, TALKS WILL BE GIVEN ON THE DIFFERENT MODES OF UTILISING THE WIREFREE INDUCTION LOOP SYSTEM TO PROMOTE PUPILS' LISTENING SKILLS ON MAINTENANCE OF THE EQUIPMENT AND ON THE ADMINISTERING OF A TAPED PROGRAMME IN AN ENGLISH LESSON.

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THERE WILL BE PLACES FOR 40 TEACHERS AT EACH SEMINAR AND APPLICATIONS WILL BE TREATED ON A FIRST-COME-FIRST-SERVED BASIS.

HEADS OF SCHOOLS ARE REQUESTED TO SEND THEIR NOMINATIONS TO THE SENIOR INSPECTOR, ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHING CENTRE, 9A BONHAM ROAD, HONG KONG BY SEPTEMBER 6, 1984.

ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE SEMINARS CAN BE MADE WITH THE CENTRE ON 5-482537.

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BOARD MEMBERS LEARN ABOUT HOUSING

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FOURTEEN KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS THIS (WEDNESDAY) AFTERNOON LEARNED MORE ABOUT PUBLIC HOUSING POLICIES THROUGH A SEMINAR AND A TOUR TO A LOCAL HOUSING ESTATE.

ACCOMPANIED BY THE ACTING DISTRICT OFFICER, MR CLAYMON LAI, MEMBERS FIRST VISITED THE LOK WAH ESTATE WHERE CONSTRUCTION OF PHASES III AND IV IS TAKING PLACE.

UPON COMPLETION EARLY NEXT YEAR THE ESTATE WILL HAVE A POPULATION OF 43 000.

LATER, AT THE ESTATE'S OFFICE, MEMBERS WERE BRIEFED BY A HOUSING DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL ON THE HOME OWNERSHIP SCHEME AND THE CRITERIA AND PROCEDURES IN APPOINTING DECORATION CONTRACTORS FOR WORKS IN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES.

TODAY'S SEMINAR AND TOUR WERE INITIATED BY THE LOCAL DISTRICT BOARD AND ORGANISED BY THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT TO ENABLE MEMBERS TO UNDERSTANDING BETTER THE GOVERNMENT'S HOUSING POLICIES.

MORE THAN 70 PER CENT OF KWUN TONG'S 460 000 POPULATION LIVE IN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES.

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METRIC WEIGHT DISPLAY FOR VEHICLES

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OWNERS OF GOODS VEHICLES, SPECIAL-PURPOSE VEHICLES AND TRAILERS MUST HAVE THE UNLADEN WEIGHT, DISPLAYED ON BOTH SIDES OF THEIR VEHICLES, CONVERTED INTO METRIC GROSS WEIGHT WHEN THE NEW ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATIONS COME INTO EFFECT ON AUGUST 25.

+GOODS VEHICLE OWNERS WHO DO NOT KNOW THE GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT OF THEIR VEHICLES SHOULD CALL THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ON 5-260979 OR 5-264860, + A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID.

ANYONE WHO FAILS TO COMPLY WITH THIS NEW REQUIREMENT IS LIABLE TO A FINE OF \$10 000 AND TO SIX MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT.

+APART FROM THE LEGAL CONSEQUENCES, GOODS VEHICLE AND TRAILER OWNERS WHO FAIL TO DO SO MAY ALSO EXPERIENCE UNNECESSARY DELAY AT THE CROSS-HARBOUR TUNNEL AS WELL AS THE HYF VEHICULAR FERRY TOLL BOOTHS WHERE CHARGES WILL BE DETERMINED BY GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT, + THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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WATER SUPPLY FOR SOUTH LANTAU

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RESIDENTS OF SOUTH LANTAU WILL BE PROVIDED WITH TREATED WATER WHEN AN OVERALL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME FOR THE AREA IS COMPLETED BY EARLY 1986.

AS PART OF THE SCHEME, A \$4.9 MILLION CONTRACT FOR LAYING 7 200 METRES OF WATER MAINS HAS BEEN AWARDED BY THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT TO HOI SING CONSTRUCTION COMPANY LIMITED.

THE MAINS, RANGING FROM 200 TO 400 MILLIMETRES IN DIAMETER, WILL BE LAID ALONG SOUTH LANTAU ROAD BETWEEN PUI O AND SHUI HAU.

WORK WILL START NEXT WEEK AND BE COMPLETED IN 15 MONTHS.

THE SCHEME WILL ALSO INCLUDE CONSTRUCTION OF A SERVICE RESERVOIR AND A TREATMENT PLANT NEAR CHEUNG SHA VILLAGE.

TENDERS FOR PILING AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE SUPERSTRUCTURE FOR THE RESERVOIR AND PLANT WILL BE INVITED LATER THIS YEAR.

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, 1934

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WATER SPORTS GETTING POPULAR

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THE COMMISSIONER FOR RECREATION AND CULTURE, MR CLIVE OXLEY, THIS (WEDNESDAY) MORNING VISITED THE TAI MEI TUK WATER SPORTS CENTRE LOCATED ON THE HEADLAND BESIDE THE MAIN DAM OF THE PLOVER COVE RESERVOIR IN TAI PO.

THE CENTRE, MANAGED BY THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT, LAST MONTH (JULY) SAW ONE OF ITS BUSIEST PERIODS OF THE YEAR, WITH ABOUT 4 500 VISITORS MAKING USE OF THE FACILITIES THERE, MR OXLEY WAS TOLD BY THE CENTRE MANAGER, MR THOMSON CHAN.

+THE BOOKS ARE PRETTY FULL FOR THE COMING FEW MONTHS. IT IS ENCOURAGING TO SEE THE GROWING POPULARITY OF WATER SPORTS IN HONG KONG,+ MR CHAN SAID.

MR OXLEY WAS SHOWN VARIOUS FACILITIES THERE, INCLUDING A DORMITORY FOR MORE THAN 100 CAMPERS, A BOAT-SHED FOR CANOES, DINGHIES AND WINDSURFING BOARDS, A SLIPWAY AND A RECENTLY BUILT LADDER FOR TRANSPORTING BOATS INTO AND OUT OF THE SEA.

THE CENTRE IS WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE OF THE PAT SIN RANGE TRAILS, AND HAS A PANORAMIC VIEW OF THE TOLO HARBOUR AND A VAST PICNICKING AREA.

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PARKING METERS FOR CHAI WAN

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THIRTY-TWO PARKING METERS WILL BE INSTALLED ALONG CHAI WAN ROAD TOMORROW (AUGUST 16) AND PARKING FEES WILL BE CHARGED FROM 8 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY.

THE NEW METERS ARE OF THE TWO-HOUR TYPE, AND THE CHARGE IS \$1 FOR HALF AN HOUR.

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