



DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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SURVEY OF PELAGIC FISH RESOURCES
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THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT HAS JUST COMPLETED A SURVEY OF THE PELAGIC FISH RESOURCES IN THE NORTHERN PART OF THE SOUTH CHINA SEA.

THE SURVEY FORMS PART OF A LONG-TERM PROGRAMME TO EVALUATE PELAGIC FISH RESOURCES FOR THE PURPOSE OF MEETING INCREASES IN THE FUTURE LOCAL DEMAND FOR FOOD FISH.

THE RESEARCH VESSEL, CAPE ST. MARY, MADE A TOTAL OF THREE TRIPS COVERING A DISTANCE OF 1,500 NAUTICAL MILES, TO THE TRADITIONAL FISHING GROUNDS OF THE HONG KONG FLEET.

ON THE FIRST TWO VOYAGES, RESEARCH OFFICERS FROM THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT WERE JOINED BY CONSULTANTS FROM THE SOUTH CHINA SEA FISHERIES DEVELOPMENT AND CO-ORDINATING PROGRAMME.

THE SURVEY CONCENTRATED IN WATERS OF 50 TO 100 METRES DEEP.

ON OCCASION, HOWEVER, IT WAS EXTENDED TO BEYOND THE EDGE OF THE CONTINENTAL SHELF TO GAIN PRELIMINARY KNOWLEDGE OF RESOURCES IN THE DEEPER AREAS WHICH WOULD BE SUBJECT TO FUTURE INVESTIGATION.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT SAID THAT THE SOPHISTICATED ACOUSTIC EQUIPMENT, WHICH WAS FITTED ON THE RESEARCH VESSEL RECENTLY, MADE POSSIBLE A DETAILED STUDY OF THE TOTAL WATER COLUMN, SHOWING AMONG OTHER THINGS A PREDOMINANCE OF PLANKTONIC LAYERS SPECIALLY BETWEEN SUNSET AND SUNRISE.

SCHOOLS OF PELAGIC FISH (JUVENILE ANCHOVIES), OCCUPYING AN AREA OF SEVERAL SQUARE MILES, WERE DETECTED IN WATERS BETWEEN 50 AND 65 METRES DEEP, INDICATING A CONSIDERABLE RESOURCE.

UNFORTUNATELY, THE SPOKESMAN SAID, THAT NO INFORMATION ON THE QUANTITY OF THE FISH COULD BE OBTAINED DUE TO LIMITATIONS OF THE RESEARCH VESSEL.

HE POINTED OUT THAT IN THE DEEPER AREAS, SOUND SCATTERING LAYERS PROBABLY OF FISH ORIGIN WERE ALSO DETECTED AT 200-250 METRES AND THIS WOULD BE FURTHER INVESTIGATED IN FUTURE.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE SURVEY WOULD BE REPEATED IN THE SUMMER AND AGAIN IN THE AUTUMN WHEN HYDROGRAPHIC CONDITIONS WERE DIFFERENT.

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FIRE SERVICES TO RECRUIT OVER 60 FIREMEN

THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS INVITING APPLICATIONS FROM YOUNG AND PHYSICALLY FIT MEN TO JOIN THE RANK OF FIREMEN.

MORE THAN 60 MEN WILL BE RECRUITED TO FILL THE PRESENT VACANCIES AS WELL AS THOSE WHICH WILL ARISE IN THE NEAR FUTURE WHEN NEW FIRE STATIONS ARE COMPLETED.

THE RECRUITS WILL BE TRAINED FOR GENERAL FIRE FIGHTING AND RESCUE DUTIES. APPLICANTS SHOULD BE AGED BETWEEN 18 AND 30, HAVE GOOD PHYSIQUE AND NORMAL EYE SIGHT, BE ABLE TO SPEAK FLUENT CANTONESE, AND READ AND WRITE CHINESE. THEY SHOULD HAVE LIVED IN HONG KONG FOR A CONTINUOUS PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS OR MORE AT THE TIME OF APPLICATION.

ANYONE WHO IS INTERESTED SHOULD APPLY IN PERSON BETWEEN 1 P.M. AND 8 P.M. DAILY FROM MAY 9 - 13 AT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING RECRUITMENT CENTRES :

HONG KONG ISLAND - HARBOUR ROAD FIRE STATION, HARBOUR ROAD,

KOWLOON - TSIM SHA TSUI FIRE STATION, CANTON ROAD,

KWUN TONG FIRE STATION, KWUN TONG ROAD AND

NEW TERRITORIES - TSUEN WAN FIRE STATION, TAI CHUNG ROAD.

HE SHOULD BRING ALONG HIS IDENTITY CARD, DOCUMENTS PROVING HIS RESIDENTIAL AND EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS AND A DULY COMPLETED FORM (G. F. 340) WHICH IS OBTAINABLE FROM ANY CITY DISTRICT OFFICE.

THE STARTING SALARY FOR A FIREMAN IS \$1,120 AND THE MAXIMUM IS \$1,635.

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TIN HAU FESTIVAL CELEBRATIONS
ADVICE TO WORSHIPPERS
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THOUSANDS OF WORSHIPPERS ARE EXPECTED TO VISIT THE TIN HAU TEMPLE IN JOSS HOUSE BAY NEXT TUESDAY (MAY 10) IN CELEBRATION OF THE TIN HAU FESTIVAL - AN ANNUAL EVENT IN HONOUR OF THE PATRON GODDESS OF SEAFARERS.

AS THE ONLY WAY OF GETTING TO JOSS HOUSE BAY IS BY SEA, PEOPLE ARE WARNED OF THE DANGER OF OVERLOADING OF VESSELS.

MARINE POLICE LAUNCHES WILL BE ON PATROL IN THE VICINITY TO KEEP A CLOSE WATCH ON CRAFT OPERATING THERE. OPERATORS OF OVERLOADED VESSELS ARE LIABLE TO PROSECUTION.

THE POLICE ALSO REMIND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO BEWARE OF PICKPOCKETS AND THAT IT IS AN OFFENCE TO POSSESS OR DISCHARGE FIREWORKS.

MEANWHILE, THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT APPEALED TO ALL TIN HAU FESTIVAL WORSHIPPERS TO TAKE EVERY PRECAUTION TO GUARD AGAINST FIRES.

A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT DUE TO CARELESS HANDLING OF JOSS-STICKS, CANDLES AND BURNING PAPERS, THE FESTIVAL OFTEN ENDED UP AS ONE OF THE WORST DAYS FOR FIRES.

HE URGED ALL THOSE VISITING TEMPLES ON OUTLYING ISLANDS OR THE COUNTRYSIDE TO EXERCISE MORE CARE AND TAKE EVERY STEP TO PREVENT THE SLIGHTEST RISK OF STARTING A FIRE.

HE ADVISED SMOKERS AND WORSHIPPERS TO MAKE SURE THAT CIGARETTE ENDS AND MATCHES WERE PROPERLY EXTINGUISHED BEFORE DISPOSING THEM AND TO SEE THAT ALL CANDLES, JOSS-STICKS AND BURNING PAPERS WERE TOTALLY PUT OUT BEFORE LEAVING THE AREAS.

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MANUAL ON JOB STANDARDS IN ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY
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A MANUAL ON JOB STANDARDS COMPILED BY THE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY TRAINING BOARD OF THE HONG KONG TRAINING COUNCIL IS NOW ON SALE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE IN THE GENERAL POST OFFICE BUILDING.

IT COSTS \$5 A COPY AND IS PUBLISHED IN ENGLISH AND CHINESE.

THE AIM OF THE MANUAL IS TO INTRODUCE TO THE PUBLIC THE GENERAL ACCEPTABLE STANDARD FOR SKILLS IN PRINCIPAL JOBS IN THE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY.

IT WILL ALSO ASSIST COMPANIES IN DRAWING UP PROPER TRAINING PROGRAMMES AND IN ASSESSING THEIR WORKFORCE AS WELL AS TECHNICAL INSTITUTIONS IN PLANNING COURSES.

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ANTI-CANCER EXHIBITION VERY POPULAR

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THE ANTI-CANCER EXHIBITION, — BEING HELD AT THE PRINCESS ALEXANDRA COMMUNITY CENTRE IN TSUEN WAN, IS VERY POPULAR.

KNOWN AS CANCER AWARENESS '77, THE EXHIBITION HAS ATTRACTED THOUSANDS OF VISITORS SINCE IT WAS OPENED THREE DAYS AGO.

IT WILL REMAIN OPEN TOMORROW, THE LAST DAY OF THE FIVE-DAY EXHIBITION.

SINCE THE ANTI-CANCER CAMPAIGN WAS LAUNCHED EARLY LAST MONTH, EXHIBITIONS HAVE BEEN MOUNTED ON HONG KONG ISLAND AND IN KOWLOON AND PARTS OF THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THE MONTH-LONG CAMPAIGN WILL END WITH AN EXHIBITION TO BE HELD IN THE KWUN TONG VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE BETWEEN MAY 18 AND 21.

THE EXHIBITION IS DESIGNED FOR THE PUBLIC TO LEARN ALL ABOUT CANCER, THE NUMBER ONE KILLER DISEASE IN HONG KONG.

IT IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE HONG KONG ANTI-CANCER SOCIETY AND THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS, AND ASSISTED BY THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND A NUMBER OF MEDICAL BODIES.

VISITORS TO THE EXHIBITION WILL BE ABLE TO OBTAIN INFORMATION ON THE PREVENTION, TREATMENT AND WARNING AND SYMPTOMS OF THE VARIOUS FORMS OF CANCER.

THERE ARE FILM SHOWS, SLIDES, PICTURES, MODELS, RECORDINGS AND ILLUSTRATIONS TO HELP MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC UNDERSTAND WHAT CANCER IS ALL ABOUT.

ADMISSION TO THE EXHIBITION IS FREE, AND THE ORGANISERS WILL BE ON HAND TO EXPLAIN AND DEMONSTRATE THE VARIOUS ITEMS OF EXHIBITS.

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C.A.D. OFFICER TO ATTEND AIR SERVICES TALKS IN LONDON

THE CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFICER OF THE CIVIL AVIATION DEPARTMENT, MR. NORMAN LATHAM, HAS LEFT FOR LONDON TO ATTEND TWO AIR SERVICES TALKS.

THE FIRST MEETING, WHICH BEGINS ON MONDAY (MAY 9), IS TO UPDATE AIR SERVICES ARRANGEMENTS BETWEEN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND INDIA. IT WILL LAST FOR A WEEK.

THIS WILL BE FOLLOWED BY THE FINAL ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS FOR A NEW UK/US AIR SERVICES AGREEMENT, BEGINNING ON MAY 16.

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TEMPORARY RE-ROUTING OF SHANGHAI STREET

THE SECTION OF SHANGHAI STREET BETWEEN MAN MING LANE AND WING SING LANE WILL BE RE-ROUTED FROM TWO-WAY TO ONE-WAY NORTHBOUND FROM 10 A.M. ON MONDAY (MAY 9).

THIS IS TO FACILITATE URGENT RECONSTRUCTION WORKS ON THAT SECTION OF THE ROAD.

THE ARRANGEMENT WILL LAST FOR ABOUT SIX WEEKS.

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE PUT UP TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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