



# DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

ISSUED BY GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICES  
BEACONSFIELD HOUSE, HONG KONG. TEL.: 842 8777

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1991

<u>CONTENTS</u>	<u>PAGE NO.</u>
LIVE MARINE PRODUCE TRADE AT WHOLESALE MARKET SUCCESSFUL .....	1
UNREPORTED OVERTIME WORK FOR WOMEN PROHIBITED .....	2
SOCIAL ACTIVITIES HELP NURTURE GOOD CITIZENS .....	2
ENJOY THE COUNTRYSIDE SCHEME TO CONTINUE NEXT YEAR .....	3
ELDERLY FESTIVAL VOTED MOST POPULAR .....	4
SAI KUNG CARNIVAL HELPS TO FOSTER SENSE OF BELONGING .....	5

LIVE MARINE PRODUCE TRADE AT WHOLESALE MARKET SUCCESSFUL

\* \* \* \* \*

THE LIVE MARINE PRODUCE TRADING RECENTLY INTRODUCED BY THE FISH MARKETING ORGANISATION (FMO) IN THE KWUN TONG WHOLESALE FISH MARKET PROVES TO BE SUCCESSFUL AND POPULAR AMONG FISH TRADERS.

AN ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES, DR THOMAS YIP, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY) THIS PILOT PROGRAMME WAS DESIGNED TO MAXIMISE THE USE OF RESOURCES IN THE WHOLESALE MARKET BY MAKING USE OF THE SPARE MARKET FACILITIES AFTER 9 AM EVERY DAY WHEN ALL FRESH FISH TRADING HAD BEEN COMPLETED.

UNDER THE NEW ARRANGEMENT, SOME AREAS IN THE WHOLESALE MARKET ARE RENTED TO WHOLESALE TRADERS BETWEEN 9 AM AND 3 PM FOR THE TRADING OF LIVE MARINE PRODUCE.

SOME 1.5 TONNES OF LIVE MARINE PRODUCE WAS TRADED EACH DAY IN THE KWUN TONG WHOLESALE FISH MARKET AFTER THE INTRODUCTION OF THE SCHEME AND THE BUSINESS WAS INCREASING STEADILY.

"THIS NEW ARRANGEMENT PROVIDES LIVE MARINE PRODUCE TRADERS WITH AN IDEAL TRADING PLACE AT VERY REASONABLE RENT AND COMMISSION," DR YIP SAID.

"IT ALSO REDUCES THIS KIND OF TRADING ACTIVITY NEAR SAM KA TSUEN PIER IN KWUN TONG WHICH HAS BEEN TAKING UP PUBLIC OPEN SPACE AND CREATING ENVIRONMENTAL AND TRAFFIC PROBLEMS IN THE AREA," HE ADDED.

THE KWUN TONG WHOLESALE FISH MARKET PROVIDES AN IDEAL PLACE FOR THE TRADING OF LIVE MARINE PRODUCE BECAUSE OF ITS ADEQUATE CAR PARKING SPACE, EXCELLENT BERTHING FACILITY AND CLEAN SEA WATER SUPPLY.

SUPPLY OF LIVE MARINE PRODUCE ARRIVING EITHER BY CARRIER BOATS OR LORRIES WITH AERATED SEA WATER TANKS CAN IMMEDIATELY BE UNLOADED AT THE MARKET.

THE LIVE FISH OPERATORS KEEP THEIR PRODUCE FOR DISPLAY IN LARGE TANKS INSTALLED AT THE DESIGNATED MARKET AREA FOR TRADING PURPOSE. BUYERS ATTENDING THE MARKET CAN INSPECT THE FISH AND DEAL DIRECTLY WITH THE OPERATORS.

IN ADDITION, THE FMO ALSO PROVIDES SERVICES FOR THE ACCURATE WEIGHING, RECORDING, AND ACCOUNTING PROCESSES OF THE TRANSACTIONS. ALL THESE HELP TO PROVIDE A FAIR TRADING ENVIRONMENT AND MAKE IT VERY ATTRACTIVE AND CONVENIENT FOR LIVE FISH DEALERS TO TRADE IN THE MARKET.

DR YIP SAID WITH THE SUCCESS OF THIS SCHEME IN THE KWUN TONG WHOLESALE FISH MARKET, SIMILAR SERVICE HAD ALSO BEEN INTRODUCED FOR THE ABERDEEN WHOLESALE FISH MARKET SINCE NOVEMBER 30 AND THE INITIAL RESPONSE HAD BEEN ENCOURAGING.

HE SAID OTHER PLANS AIMED AT MAXIMISING THE USE OF FMO RESOURCES INCLUDING COLD STORAGE, SECONDARY FISH PROCESSING, AND FRESH FISH PACKAGING WERE ALSO BEING PURSUED.

- 2 -

UNREPORTED OVERTIME WORK FOR WOMEN PROHIBITED

\* \* \* \* \*

THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT TODAY (SUNDAY) REMINDED FACTORY PROPRIETORS THAT THEY SHOULD NOT ENGAGE WOMEN IN UNREPORTED OVERTIME WORK.

"IT IS AN OFFENCE UNDER THE WOMEN AND YOUNG PERSONS (INDUSTRY) REGULATIONS FOR AN EMPLOYER TO CHANGE THE PRESCRIBED WORKING HOURS OF WOMEN IN INDUSTRY OR TO ENGAGE THEM IN OVERTIME WORK, WITHOUT NOTIFYING THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT BEFOREHAND," THE SENIOR LABOUR OFFICER (LABOUR INSPECTION), MR CHAN KWOK-KUEN, SAID.

"THE LAW ALSO REQUIRES THE EMPLOYER TO DISPLAY IN A CONSPICUOUS PLACE IN THE FACTORY A PRESCRIBED NOTICE SETTING OUT THE PERIOD OF EMPLOYMENT, INTERVALS FOR MEALS OR REST, AND REST DAYS FOR WOMEN WORKERS," HE SAID.

"ALSO, YOUNG PERSONS SHOULD NOT BE EMPLOYED TO WORK OVERTIME IN INDUSTRIAL UNDERTAKINGS," HE ADDED.

MR CHAN SAID EMPLOYERS SHOULD STRICTLY ADHERE TO THE PERMISSIBLE HOURS OF WORK SET OUT IN THE PRESCRIBED NOTICE.

HE NOTED THAT THE LAI'S KNITWEAR MANUFACTURING LIMITED IN NG FONG STREET HAD RECENTLY BEEN FINED \$8,000 FOR ENGAGING 31 WOMEN IN UNREPORTED OVERTIME WORK.

- - - - 0 - - - -

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES HELP NURTURE GOOD CITIZENS

\* \* \* \* \*

LARGE-SCALE SOCIAL ACTIVITIES HAVE PROVIDED AMPLE OPPORTUNITIES FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO PARTICIPATE IN COMMUNITY AFFAIRS, THE DEPUTY REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR FUNG KWOK-KEUNG, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

"AND THROUGH INVOLVEMENT IN THESE ACTIVITIES, THEY ARE ENCOURAGED TO COMMIT THEMSELVES IN COMMUNITY AFFAIRS AND BECOME GOOD CITIZENS," HE SAID.

MR FUNG WAS SPEAKING AT THE PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY OF THE FOURTH HONG KONG SOCIAL DANCE OPEN COMPETITION AT A KOWLOON HOTEL.

HE URGED RESIDENTS TO SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY BY TAKING PART IN THE VARIOUS COMMUNITY BUILDING ACTIVITIES IN THE DISTRICT.

MR FUNG ALSO PRAISED THE SHAM SHUI PO ARTS ASSOCIATION FOR ORGANISING THE DANCE COMPETITION AS ONE OF THE MAJOR ACTIVITIES OF THE CURRENT DISTRICT FESTIVAL.

/"THE CONTEST .....

"THE CONTEST HAS ENHANCED PARTICIPANTS' SENSE OF BELONGING TO THE DISTRICT AS WELL AS STRENGTHENED THEIR INTEREST IN ARTS," HE SAID.

FIFTY PAIRS OF AMATEUR DANCERS COMPETED FOR IN THE MODERN AND LATIN DANCE SECTIONS OF THE TERRITORY-WIDE DANCING CONTEST.

ALSO PRESENT AT THE CEREMONY WERE THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR CHOY WAI-SHEK; DISTRICT OFFICER, MR ALAN FUNG; POLICE DISTRICT COMMANDER, MR GERALD FRITH; AND THE DISTRICT FESTIVAL CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, MR CHAN MOW-FAT.

- - - - 0 - - - -

ENJOY THE COUNTRYSIDE SCHEME TO CONTINUE NEXT YEAR  
\* \* \* \* \*

THE SIR DAVID TRENCH FUND FOR RECREATION (SDTFR) WILL ALLOCATE \$500,000 NEXT YEAR TO CONTINUE ITS "ENJOY THE COUNTRYSIDE" SCHEME, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SDTFR COMMITTEE, MR CHAN KA-KUI, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

THE SCHEME WAS LAUNCHED IN APRIL THIS YEAR.

MR CHAN WAS ATTENDING THE FIRST EVENT OF THE SIR EDWARD YOUDE'S AWARD MARATHON HIKE SERIES IN SAI KUNG COUNTRY PARK.

HE SAID THE CONTINUATION OF THE SCHEME WOULD ENCOURAGE MORE ORGANISATIONS TO HOLD ACTIVITIES IN THE COUNTRYSIDE.

"PROJECT PLANS SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE SDTFR COMMITTEE BETWEEN JANUARY 2 AND MARCH 31 NEXT YEAR," HE SAID.

"APPLICATION FORMS ARE OBTAINABLE FROM THE SECRETARIAT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE 10TH FLOOR OF HARBOUR CENTRE, 25 HARBOUR ROAD, WAN CHAI, AND ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON TEL. 827 5409 EXT 15," MR CHAN ADDED.

TODAY'S HIKING EVENT ATTRACTED ABOUT 200 PARTICIPANTS. THE SECOND AND THIRD LEG OF THE SERIES WOULD BE HELD IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY NEXT YEAR IN TAI PO AND LANTAU ISLAND RESPECTIVELY.

- - - - 0 - - - -

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1991

- 4 -

ELDERLY FESTIVAL VOTED MOST POPULAR  
\* \* \* \* \*

THE "CENTRAL AND WESTERN FESTIVAL FOR THE ELDERLY" HAS TOPPED THE LIST OF THE 10 MOST OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY BUILDING PROJECTS IN THE DISTRICT, ACCORDING TO A POLL INVOLVING MORE THAN 3,000 RESIDENTS.

THE POLL WAS CONDUCTED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD AND THE YWCA IN LINE WITH THIS YEAR'S THEME ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON THE PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION -- "CARE FOR HONG KONG, CONCERN FOR THE COMMUNITY".

SPEAKING AT A PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY TODAY (SUNDAY), THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR AMBROSE LAU, SAID THE ENTHUSIASTIC RESPONSE TO THE SURVEY, WHICH WAS HELD BETWEEN NOVEMBER 15 AND 24 IN THE DISTRICT, REFLECTED RESIDENTS' CONCERN FOR THEIR COMMUNITY.

"THIS ALSO SHOWS THAT THE DB'S EFFORTS IN IMPROVING RESIDENTS' QUALITY OF LIFE THROUGH VARIOUS COMMUNITY BUILDING PROJECTS HAVE BEEN WELL-RECEIVED BY RESIDENTS," HE ADDED.

MR LAU NOTED THAT ABOUT 3,200 RESIDENTS HAD CAST THEIR VOTES IN NAMING THE 10 MOST OUTSTANDING DB PROJECTS.

THE "FESTIVAL FOR THE ELDERLY" WON WITH 2,488 VOTES, WHILE THE CLEARANCE OF ILLEGAL STRUCTURES AND THE PROVISION OF A SITTING-OUT AREA IN A LANE LEADING TO KWUN LUNG LAU CAME A CLOSE SECOND WITH 2,338 VOTES.

IN THIRD PLACE, WITH MORE THAN 2,200 VOTES, WAS THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PAVILLION IN MT DAVIS AREA FOR USE BY MORNING-WALKERS AND OTHER VISITORS.

OTHER DB PROJECTS REGARDED AS POPULAR INCLUDED THE DISTRICT FESTIVAL, THE ROAD SAFETY CARNIVAL, CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES AND VARIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT AMENITIES IN THE DISTRICT.

TWENTY RESIDENTS WHO HAD SUCCESSFULLY PICKED OUT THE 10 MOST OUTSTANDING PROJECTS FROM A LIST OF 15 WERE AWARDED GIFTS IN TODAY'S PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY.

OTHER OFFICIATING GUESTS INCLUDED THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MISS MARY TSANG; CHAIRMAN OF THE DB'S COMMUNITY BUILDING AND SERVICE COMMITTEE, MR PETER LEE; CHAIRMAN OF THE DB'S WORKING GROUP ON CIVIC EDUCATION, MR IP KWOK-HIM; AND YWCA'S REPRESENTATIVE, MR MA YAT-CHEUNG.

----- 0 -----

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1991

- 5 -

SAI KUNG CARNIVAL HELPS TO FOSTER SENSE OF BELONGING  
\* \* \* \* \*

THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT OFFICER, MR PARRISH NG, TODAY (SUNDAY) ENCOURAGED RESIDENTS OF TSEUNG KWAN O TO TAKE AN ACTIVE PART IN COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SO AS TO FOSTER A SENSE OF BELONGING TO THE DISTRICT.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF A "CONCERN FOR SAI KUNG DISTRICT" CARNIVAL IN TSUI LAM ESTATE, MR NG SAID TSEUNG KWAN O WAS A DEVELOPING NEW TOWN AND MOST OF ITS RESIDENTS WERE NEWCOMERS.

"THE RESIDENTS SHOULD, THEREFORE, TRY TO SHOW MORE CONCERN FOR THE COMMUNITY SO THAT THEY CAN ADAPT THEMSELVES TO THE NEW ENVIRONMENT MORE EASILY.

"I HOPE THEY WILL NOT ONLY APPRECIATE ALL THE NEW FACILITIES IN TSEUNG KWAN O, BUT WILL ALSO ENJOY THE SCENIC COUNTRYSIDE IN OTHER PARTS OF SAI KUNG," HE ADDED.

MR NG COMMENDED THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT CIVIC EDUCATION PROMOTION COMMITTEE FOR ITS EFFORTS IN ORGANISING ACTIVITIES FOR RESIDENTS.

DURING THE CEREMONY, PRIZES WERE PRESENTED TO WINNERS OF A "PREVENTION OF THROWING OBJECTS FROM HEIGHT" SLOGAN COMPETITION. THEY RECEIVED TROPHIES AND CASH COUPONS.

THE COMPETITION HAD ATTRACTED MORE THAN 550 ENTRIES. THE WINNING SLOGAN WILL BE PRINTED ON BOOKMARKS FOR DISTRIBUTION TO SAI KUNG RESIDENTS.

DURING TODAY'S CARNIVAL MORE THAN 30 CHILDREN AND ELDERLY PEOPLE HELPED TO PAINT A 2.5 SQUARE METRE CARTOON DEPICTING THE SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES OF THROWING OBJECTS OUT OF THE WINDOW.

THE CARNIVAL WAS ONE OF THE ACTIVITIES ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT'S CIVIC EDUCATION PROMOTION COMMITTEE. OTHER ACTIVITIES INCLUDED A BLOOD DONATION EXERCISE AND A KEEP CLEAN PROMOTION CAMPAIGN.

OTHER OFFICIATING GUESTS AT THE CARNIVAL'S OPENING WERE THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR WILLIAM WAN, AND CHAIRMAN OF THE PROMOTION COMMITTEE, MR LOUR TSANG-TSAY.

- - - - 0 - - - -