



# DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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LAND GRANT FOR MTR'S KOWLOON DEPOT

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THE GOVERNMENT IS TO MAKE A GRANT OF SOME 1.72 MILLION SQUARE FEET (40 ACRES) OF LAND IN KOWLOON BAY TO THE MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY CORPORATION.

THE LAND IS TO BE USED BY THE MTRC FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ITS MAIN KOWLOON DEPOT WHICH WILL INCLUDE WORKSHOP AND MAINTENANCE AREAS.

A HOUSING ESTATE WILL ALSO BE BUILT ABOVE THE DEPOT PODIUM. TOGETHER WITH THIS ESTATE THERE WILL BE A COMMERCIAL COMPLEX, COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND OPEN SPACE FOR THE RESIDENTS. FOOTBRIDGES WILL PROVIDE ACCESS TO THE SURROUNDING MAIN ROADS TO THE ADJOINING RESIDENTIAL AND INDUSTRIAL AREAS.

THE HOUSING ESTATE WILL COMPRISE SOME THREE MILLION SQUARE FEET GROSS OF SPACE WHICH WILL BE DEVELOPED INTO 5,000 FLATS EACH WITH A NET LIVING AREA IN THE RANGE OF 500 SQUARE FEET.

THE ESTATE IS EXPECTED TO HOUSE 25,000 PEOPLE WHEN FULLY DEVELOPED.

THE FLATS IN THE ESTATE WILL BE SOLD TO THE PUBLIC WHILE THE COMMERCIAL PREMISES WILL BE RENTED OUT. THE MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY CORPORATION WILL BE FORMING ITS OWN PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT UNIT FOR THE CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT OF THE ESTATE TO ENSURE THAT PROPER STANDARDS ARE MAINTAINED.

THE MONEY FROM THE SALE OF THE FLATS AND FROM THE LEASING OF THE COMMERCIAL PREMISES WOULD BE EMPLOYED BY THE CORPORATION EITHER IN FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF THE RAILWAY OR TO HELP MEET ITS DEBT SERVICE CHARGES AND OPERATING EXPENSES.

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PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF MT. BUTLER QUARRY TO TRIPLE  
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THE P.W.D.'S DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT, MR. DAVID STEAD, TODAY PUSHED A BUTTON SETTING IN MOTION A FULLY-MECHANISED PRODUCTION SYSTEM AT THE P.W.D.'S MOUNT BUTLER QUARRY, MARKING THE END OF A \$5.5 MILLION PROGRAMME TO TRIPLE THE QUARRY'S DAILY PRODUCTION CAPACITY.

THE FINAL ADDITION FOR THE QUARRY'S AUTOMATED PRODUCTION SYSTEM IS A GIANT CRUSHING AND SCREENING PLANT CAPABLE OF PRODUCING EACH DAY 1,500 TONNES OF CRUSHED ROCK -- AN ESSENTIAL COMMODITY IN BUILDING AND CIVIL ENGINEERING PROJECTS.

AT TODAY'S OPENING CEREMONY, MR. STEAD ALSO OPENED A NEW \$1 MILLION ROAD WHICH PROVIDES ACCESS TO ALL LEVELS OF THE QUARRY.

MR. STEAD SAID THE MECHANISATION OF MOUNT BUTLER QUARRY MARKED AN IMPORTANT MILESTONE IN HONG KONG'S QUARRY INDUSTRY.

+WITH THE INCREASED ACTIVITY IN THE CONSTRUCTION FIELD, PARTICULARLY IN THE NEW TOWNS, MORE CONCRETE AGGREGATES WILL BE REQUIRED AND THE NEW STREAMLINED PLANT WILL HELP MEET SOME OF THE EXTRA DEMAND,+ HE SAID.

+THE STONE IN MT. BUTLER QUARRY IS AMONG THE BEST IN HONG KONG, AND I HOPE THAT BUILDING CONTRACTORS WILL TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE MUCH IMPROVED SERVICE NOW AVAILABLE,+ HE ADDED.

MR. STEAD SAID THE PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF THE PLANT WAS NOW IN EXCESS OF 250,000 TONNES OF CONCRETE AGGREGATES AND 50,000 TONNES OF ASPHALTIC MATERIALS A YEAR, WORTH ABOUT \$9 MILLION AT TODAY'S PRICES.

TODAY'S OPENING CEREMONY CULMINATED 12 YEARS OF CONTINUED DEVELOPMENT UNDER THE MODERNISATION PROGRAMME LAUNCHED IN 1964.

BY TODAY'S STANDARDS, THE OPERATION AT THAT TIME WAS RATHER PRIMITIVE AS BLASTED ROCK HAD TO BE BROKEN DOWN BY HAND AND TRANSPORTED IN TUBS PUSHED ALONG BY WORKERS.

THE FIRST IMPROVEMENT CAME IN 1966 WITH THE INSTALLATION OF A NEW PRIMARY CRUSHER CAPABLE OF REDUCING BOULDERS OF UP TO ONE METRE CUBE (THREE FEET CUBE) AND 1-1/2 TONNES IN WEIGHT TO ROCK FRAGMENTS NO LARGER THAN 200 MM (8 INCHES).

AT MAXIMUM CAPACITY THIS CRUSHER HANDLES JUST OVER 200 TONNES OF ROCK PER HOUR -- TEN TIMES THE AMOUNT PRODUCED PER DAY BY THE OLD MANUAL METHODS.

AT THE SAME TIME, MODERN MECHANICAL PLANT AND A SERIES OF CONVEYOR BELTS WERE INTRODUCED TO HANDLE AND TRANSPORT THE ROCK FROM THE QUARRY FACE AND FEED IT TO THE CRUSHER, THUS ELIMINATING THE OLD MANPOWERED RAIL TUBS.

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THE NEXT STEP WAS TO CARVE THE QUARRY FACE INTO A SERIES OF TERRACES SO AS TO INCREASE EFFICIENCY AND ELIMINATE DANGER TO ROCK DRILLERS WHO AT SOME STAGES HAD TO WORK AT HEIGHTS OF UP TO 90 METRES (300 FEET).

THIS WAS A LONG PROCESS INVOLVING THE REMOVAL OF LARGE QUANTITIES OF ROCK AS WELL AS FORMATION OF ROADS TO ENABLE VEHICLES TO REACH THE UPPER LEVELS OF THE QUARRY.

IN THE INITIAL STAGES UNSURFACED ROADWAYS WERE ADEQUATE FOR THE PURPOSE, BUT THE P.W.D. PLANNERS BEGAN DRAWING UP PLANS FOR A PROPER AND PERMANENT ROAD WHICH WOULD PROVIDE SAFE AND ALL-WEATHER ACCESS TO ALL LEVELS OF THE QUARRY FOR ITS ULTIMATE DEVELOPMENT.

IN 1970, THE OLD AND OBSOLETE ASPHALT MIXING PLANT WAS REPLACED BY A NEW ONE WITH A CAPACITY OF 35 TONNES PER HOUR, SUFFICIENT TO MEET ALL THE NEEDS FOR ROADWORKS ON HONG KONG ISLAND.

SHORTLY AFTER, A NEW AND EFFICIENT DUST COLLECTION UNIT WAS ALSO FITTED TO THE PLANT AND CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED ENVIRONMENTAL AND WORKING CONDITIONS.

THE LAST PHASES OF THE PROGRAMME WERE COMPLETED LAST MONTH WITH THE INSTALLATION OF A NEW CRUSHING AND SCREENING PLANT AND THE COMPLETION OF A NEW 800-METRE ROAD PROVIDING EASY ACCESS TO THE VARIOUS LEVELS OF THE QUARRY.

SAID MR. STEAD: +QUARRYING AT MT. BUTLER HAS CERTAINLY COME A LONG WAY SINCE 1957 WHEN IT WAS FIRST OPENED, AND NO DOUBT WILL CONTINUE TO IMPROVE.

+QUARRY DEVELOPMENT, AS ANY OTHER INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, IS NECESSARILY A CONTINUOUS PROCESS, AND WHAT WE ARE COMMISSIONING TODAY IS A MAJOR LANDMARK RATHER THAN THE END OF THE ROAD.+

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+MEET THE MEDIA+  
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NOTE TO EDITORS:

A +MEET THE MEDIA+ SESSION WILL BE HELD IN THE G.I.S. THEATRE ON THE FIFTH FLOOR OF BEACONSFIELD HOUSE ON THURSDAY (JULY 15) AT 4 P.M.

ATTENDING THE MEETING WILL BE THE DIRECTOR OF WATER SUPPLIES, MR. W.T. KNIGHT.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE MEETING. TELEVISION CREWS ARE ADVISED TO ARRIVE EARLY SO THAT THEY HAVE AMPLE TIME TO SET UP THEIR EQUIPMENT.

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HONG KONG STUDENTS CAN HOLD THEIR OWN ANYWHERE

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THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR. COLVYN HAYE TODAY PAID TRIBUTE TO THE HONG KONG TOURIST ASSOCIATION'S STUDENTS AMBASSADOR PROGRAMME.

SPEAKING AT THE INAUGURATION OF THIS YEAR'S PROGRAMME, MR. HAYE REMARKED THAT HONG KONG STUDENTS COULD HOLD THEIR OWN ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD. HE CONGRATULATED THE YOUNG +AMBASSADORS+ SELECTED BY THE ASSOCIATION ON THEIR INITIATIVE.

MR. HAYE TOLD THE STUDENTS THAT THEY NEED HAVE NO FEARS WHEN THEY REPRESENTED HONG KONG OVERSEAS. THEY WERE AS GOOD IF NOT BETTER THAN THEIR COUNTERPARTS IN SCHOOLS, COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES ELSEWHERE.

THE DIRECTOR SAID THAT HE WAS FREQUENTLY TOLD THAT THE LOCAL EDUCATION SYSTEM PRODUCED NOTHING BUT STUFFED DUCKS. HE REJECTED THIS CRITICISM BY POINTING TO THE REMARKABLY HIGH STANDARDS ACHIEVED BY PRODUCTS OF THE LOCAL EDUCATION SYSTEM - STANDARDS WHICH STOOD COMPARISON WITH THE BEST IN THE WORLD. IT WAS A FACT THAT HONG KONG STUDENTS ACHIEVED SINGULAR DISTINCTION OVERSEAS. THEY WERE A CREDIT TO THE SYSTEM WHICH PRODUCED THEM.

IN ADDITION TO THE HONG KONG TOURIST ASSOCIATION'S STUDENTS AMBASSADOR PROGRAMME, MR. HAYE REMARKED THAT HE HAD RECENTLY BEEN INVOLVED IN THE SELECTION OF HONG KONG STUDENTS FOR UNITED WORLD COLLEGES' SCHOLARSHIPS AND FOR THE BEST STUDENT OF THE YEAR COMPETITION, THE RESULT OF WHICH WAS ANNOUNCED TODAY.

THIS EXPERIENCE CONFIRMED HIS HIGH OPINION OF HONG KONG STUDENTS WHICH WAS FURTHER UNDERLINED BY THE BRIGHT YOUNG PEOPLE HE WAS MEETING IN THE TOURIST ASSOCIATION'S STUDENTS AMBASSADOR PROGRAMME.

MR. HAYE ADVISED THE +STUDENT AMBASSADORS+ TO MAINTAIN THEIR SELF-CONFIDENCE AND PRIDE IN HONG KONG. EVERYWHERE THEY WENT HONG KONG WOULD BE JUDGED BY THE PEOPLE WHO MET THEM. HONG KONG WOULD BE PERSONIFIED BY THE YOUNG +AMBASSADORS+ AND IT WAS IMPORTANT THAT THE +STUDENT AMBASSADORS+ REMEMBERED THIS.

+HONG KONG IS A GREAT PLACE AND YOU ARE THE PRODUCTS OF THE HONG KONG SYSTEM,+ MR. HAYE SAID.

THE HONG KONG TOURIST ASSOCIATION'S STUDENTS AMBASSADOR SCHEME CELEBRATES ITS NINTH ANNIVERSARY TODAY. HUNDREDS OF YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE FOLLOWED A LIVELY COURSE PLANNED BY THE ASSOCIATION TO PROMOTE THEIR AWARENESS OF THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF HONG KONG WHICH THEY CAN DESCRIBE ABROAD.

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SALE OF USED TEXTBOOKS  
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THE WEST KOWLOON YOUTH GUIDANCE COUNCIL AND THE COMMUNITY WORK UNIT OF THE TAI HANG TUNG COMMUNITY CENTRE ARE SPONSORING A USED TEXTBOOKS SALE TO HELP PARENTS OF SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS KEEP BOOK COSTS DOWN.

THE COLLECTION, SORTING AND SALE OF TEXTBOOKS WILL BE HANDLED BY THE YOUTH UNION, A SELF-PROGRAMMING GROUP OF THE CENTRE.

BOOKS WILL BE COLLECTED FROM JULY 19 (MONDAY) UNTIL THE END OF THE MONTH AT ROOM 101, TAI HANG TUNG COMMUNITY CENTRE.

COLLECTION TIMES WILL BE FROM 7 P.M. TO 9.30 P.M. ON MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS AND FRIDAYS AND BETWEEN 2 P.M. AND 5 P.M. ON TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS AND SATURDAYS.

THE SALE WILL TAKE PLACE BETWEEN AUGUST 5 AND 7.

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21 OFFICERS OF FISH AND VEGETABLE MARKETING  
ORGANISATIONS RETIRING  
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NOTE TO EDITORS:

THE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES, MR. E.H. NICHOLS, WILL PRESENT SOUVENIRS TO 21 RETIRING OFFICERS OF THE FISH AND VEGETABLE MARKETING ORGANISATIONS WHO HAVE BETWEEN THEM CHALKED UP A TOTAL OF 458 YEARS' SERVICE.

THE PRESENTATION WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE CONFERENCE ROOM ON THE FIRST FLOOR OF THE CHEUNG SHA WAN WHOLESALE VEGETABLE MARKET, LAI CHI KOK ROAD, ON THURSDAY (JULY 15) AT 4 P.M.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO HAVE THE PRESENTATION COVERED.

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EXHIBITION ON DIARRHOEAL DISEASES

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THE SECOND EXHIBITION ON DIARRHOEAL DISEASES, ORGANISED BY THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT, WILL BEGIN TOMORROW (TUESDAY) AT THE CHAI WAN COMMUNITY CENTRE. IT WILL LAST FOUR DAYS.

THE FIRST EXHIBITION HELD ON JULY 7 AND 8 AT THE WONG TAI SIN COMMUNITY CENTRE ATTRACTED MORE THAN 4,000 VISITORS.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT SAID THAT RESPONSE TO THE FIRST EXHIBITION HAD BEEN VERY ENCOURAGING, ESPECIALLY FROM SCHOOLS AND STUDENTS GROUPS. THE SECOND EXHIBITION IS EXPECTED TO ATTRACT EVEN MORE VISITORS.

LIKE THE FIRST ONE, THE SECOND EXHIBITION WILL FEATURE SLIDES, PICTURES, DIAGRAMS AND CHARTS ILLUSTRATING THE VARIOUS METHODS OF PREVENTING DISEASES SUCH AS TYPHOID FEVER, DYSENTERY, FOOD POISONING AND HEPATITIS, WHICH ARE MORE PREVALENT IN THE WARM SUMMER MONTHS.

THERE WILL ALSO BE SHORT FILMS TO STRESS THE IMPORTANCE OF PERSONAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE IN THE PREVENTION OF THESE DISEASES AND HEALTH VISITORS AND INOCULATORS WILL BE ON HAND TO GIVE ADVICE AND ANSWER QUERIES.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT ALTHOUGH THE INCIDENCE OF GASTRO-INTESTINAL DISEASES HAD REMAINED NORMAL SO FAR THIS YEAR, THE PUBLIC SHOULD TAKE ALL POSSIBLE PRECAUTIONS TO PREVENT POSSIBLE OUTBREAKS DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS.

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WATER INTERRUPTION ON HK ISLAND

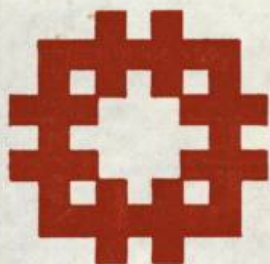
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WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN CHAI WAN AND THE REPULSE BAY AREA WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR FIVE HOURS STARTING FROM 1 A.M. ON WEDNESDAY (JULY 14) TO ALLOW THE WATERWORKS OFFICE TO CARRY OUT LEAKAGE TESTS.

IN CHAI WAN, THE AREA AFFECTED IS BOUNDED BY BLOCK 1-15 CHAI WAN ESTATE, SAN HA STREET, TAI PING VILLAGE, CALTEX PETROL FILLING STATION AND SUN YIP STREET.

IN THE REPULSE BAY AREA, PREMISES BOUNDED BY SOUTH BAY ROAD, BEACH ROAD, HOUSE NO. 58 REPULSE BAY ROAD AND REPULSE BAY LOT 167 ON REPULSE BAY ROAD ARE AFFECTED.

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"BEWARE OF IMPERSONATORS" HOUSING DEPARTMENT WARNS

The Housing Department today (Monday) warned applicants for public housing to be on the alert for impersonators who promise accommodation in return for "tea money."

Over the past couple of days, eight separate reports have been received by the department and referred to the police. In two cases, the complainants claimed to have handed over \$300 and \$800.

"Usually, the impersonator called at random at homes and enquired if anyone had applied for public housing and hinted that their applications would be processed quickly in exchange for tea money," a spokesman for the department said.

He advised those approached in this manner to contact the department or the police immediately and in no case should they pay any money.

"The Housing Department does not charge any fee for processing applications. This is clearly printed in the information leaflet attached to the application form," the spokesman said.

He further said that all investigation staff of the department carried with them their departmental identity card and would produce them to identify themselves.

Normally, an investigator finding an applicant not at home will call again. It is not the practice to verbally inform an absent applicant to present himself at any of the department's offices.

In the case of successful applicants, they will be informed by letter to call at a specific estate office at an appointed date for the signing of tenancy agreements and the allocation of flats.

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### 房屋署提醒申請人 提防歹徒冒認行騙

房屋署今日（星期一）提醒申請人住公共房屋的人士，提防歹徒冒認房屋署人員訛稱能給予住所，索取「茶錢」。

在過去數日內，房屋署曾分別接獲八宗報告，並已轉交警方辦理，其中兩宗案件的投訴人聲稱曾付出三百元及八百元。

房屋署發言人說：「冒認的歹徒登門詢問是否有人申請公共房屋，並暗示如果能付出茶錢，可將他們的申請書從速處理。」

發言人忠告市民如遇到上述情形時，應立刻通知房屋署或警方，切勿給予款項。

發言人說：「有關申請的一切手續，絕不收取任何費用。此點已清楚印明在附同申請表格一起派發的公共房屋申請入居須知內。」

發言人並指出，房屋署的調查員，均持有房屋署發給的職員證，於到訪時出示，以證明身份。

通常調查員到訪時，如申請人不在家中，他將再行造訪，並不會口頭上通知不在家的申請人前往房屋署轄下的任何辦事處。

獲得配屋的申請人將接到函件通知在約定日期前往指定的辦事處，簽訂租約與編配居住單位。