

Information Paper for the Legislative Council Panel on Manpower

Mainland Employment Web Page

Purpose

This paper informs Members of the launching of the “Mainland Employment Web Page” by the Labour Department.

Background

2. With the rapid economic development in the Mainland, the demand for personnel by enterprises in the Mainland continues to increase. According to a survey published in December 2001 by the Census and Statistics Department, the number of Hong Kong people working in the Mainland exceeded 190,000. This number is expected to increase. To cope with the growing need for information about employment in the Mainland, the Labour Department launched a web page “Mainland Employment Web Page” on the Department’s “Interactive Employment Service” web site in May 2002 to provide essential employment and vacancy information for job-seekers.

3. In order to provide job-seekers with more comprehensive information on Mainland employment, the Labour Department revamped the “Mainland Employment Web Page” last month.

Contents of Web Page

4. Essential information which job-seekers mostly look for, such as China labour laws, employment protection, taxation, dwelling, children’s education, etc. are provided in the new web page.

5. A special section on “Expert Experience” contains articles by different people having work experience in the Mainland. Through these articles, job-seekers can learn from their experience and get a better

understanding of the employment situation in the Mainland. Articles will be added and updated from time to time.

6. Thanks to the support of the Chinese Ministry of Labour and Social Security, multiple hyperlinks are established with official web sites in the Mainland, so that job-seekers can conveniently assess these web sites for information about employment and job vacancies in different provinces and cities in the Mainland.

7. Information on employment opportunities in the Mainland provided by Hong Kong employers can be found on the web page. Hong Kong employers may also place their mainland vacancy offers through the web page. In addition, the web page provides information on Hong Kong employment agencies which offer placement services for jobs in the Mainland.

Publicity

8. An article publicizing the web page will be released on 1st March 2003 on the Labour Department's e-version publication "Labour Focus". Posters and leaflets will also be distributed to employees and employers.

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