

## CS distributes surgical masks to elderly and public in North Point

The Chief Secretary for the Administration, Mr Matthew Cheung Kin-Chung, today (February 22) distributed surgical masks to singleton elderly and other residents of the Healthy Village in North Point.

Accompanied by District Officer (Eastern), Mr Simon Chan, Mr Cheung visited elders and the other residents of the Healthy Village in North Point. He handed over to them surgical masks and anti-epidemic goods and extended his warmest regards to them. He also chatted with them to understand better the impact of the epidemic on their daily life.

Mr Cheung said that owing to the epidemic, global supply of surgical masks had remained tight and members of the public had been facing difficulty in sourcing masks.

He stressed that the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government would continue to increase the overall supply of surgical masks in Hong Kong through a multi-pronged approach. The Government has also set up a \$30 billion Anti-epidemic Fund to enhance overall capability in combatting the epidemic and provide assistance to enterprises and members of the public hard hit by the epidemic or affected by anti-epidemic measures.

He added that the Steering Committee on the Anti-epidemic Fund established under his chairmanship would oversee the operation and use of the Fund.

He called on all quarters of society to act in concert, put aside differences and win the fight against the epidemic for Hong Kong.