Distribution points of anti-epidemic service bags to commence operation on April 7

The Home Affairs Bureau of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government announced today (April 4) that the 18 District Offices will set up about 90 anti-epidemic service bag distribution points on April 7 for collection of anti-epidemic service bags by members of the public who cannot receive the bags which have been distributed to households since April 2.

The distribution points will operate from April 7 to 13 and the locations and service hours are set out in the Annex. The staff distributing the anti-epidemic service bags have left collection slips for households that could not be reached earlier. These households may collect the service bags at the distribution points with the collection slips. Members of the public who have not received the anti-epidemic service bags may collect them at relevant distribution points in their districts after simple registration.

The Acting Secretary for Home Affairs, Mr Jack Chan, said, "With the co-ordination by the Home Affairs Bureau, the Home Affairs Department and the 18 District Officers, as well as the co-operation of the some 17 000 volunteers and the civil servants, the anti-epidemic service bags have been distributed smoothly and have been greatly welcomed by the public. They thanked the country and the Government for the care, and expressed that the service bags would be of great help during the fight against the epidemic."

In addition, to facilitate members of the public to conduct rapid antigen test daily from April 8 to 10 on a voluntary basis, the 18 District Offices will also provide rapid antigen test kits at each distribution point on April 7 and 8 for collection by people in need. The Government calls on members of the public to take the test daily during those three days and report any positive cases in the hope of identifying infected persons early for appropriate follow-up and cutting transmission chains in the community as quickly as possible.