

## HAD distributes complimentary COVID-19 rapid test kits to Discovery Bay residents (with photo)

In the light of the positive test results for the COVID-19 virus from some sewage samples collected in Discovery Bay, the Home Affairs Department and the Islands District Office (IsDO) today (January 29) distributed a total of about 26 000 COVID-19 rapid test kits to residents within the district.

IsDO distributed the rapid test kits to households living within the district through its property management company today, in the hope of identifying infected persons early, so as to better protect the infected persons and their families. However, the Government stresses that rapid test kit testing is not a substitute for the Government's compulsory testing requirement.

The Government appeals for the co-operation of members of the public to safeguard the health of themselves and their families by undergoing testing on a voluntary basis and fighting the virus together. The Government urges all individuals who are in doubt about their own health condition, or individuals with infection risks (such as individuals who visited places with epidemic outbreaks or had contact with cases that tested positive), to undergo testing promptly for early identification of infected persons to reduce the transmission risks of COVID-19.

