

HAD distributes complimentary COVID-19 rapid test kits to households, cleansing workers and property management staff in Islands, Kowloon City and Kwun Tong Districts

In light of positive test results for the COVID-19 virus from sewage samples collected in Islands, Kowloon City and Kwun Tong Districts, the Home Affairs Department (HAD) said today (August 13) that the Islands District Office (IsDO), the Kowloon City District Office (KCDO) and the Kwun Tong District Office (KTDO) have distributed a total of about 249 000 COVID-19 rapid test kits to households, cleansing workers and property management staff living and working in the Districts.

The IsDO distributed rapid test kits to households, traders and staff living and working in Sheung Ling Pei, Ha Ling Pei, Pa Mei Village, Ma Wan New Village, Wong Ka Wai and Lung Tseng Tau in Tung Chung for voluntary testing through the Tung Chung Rural Committee.

The KCDO distributed rapid test kits to households, cleansing workers and property management staff living and working in Harbourfront Landmark and Whampoa Garden (Palm Mansions, Lily Mansions, Cotton Tree Mansions, Banyan Mansions, Bamboo Mansions, Oak Mansions, Bauhinia Mansions, Willow Mansions, Juniper Mansions and Cherry Mansions) for voluntary testing through the property management companies.

In addition, the KTDO also started distributing rapid test kits to households, cleansing workers and property management staff living and working in Tak Tin Estate, Cha Kwo Ling Tsuen, Choi Hing Court, Lok Nga Court, On Kay Court, and residential premises around Fan Wa Street and Cha Kwo Ling Road for voluntary testing through the property management companies, Cha Kwo Ling Villagers Fraternity Association and non-governmental organisation.

The HAD made the above arrangements in the hope of identifying infected persons early.

Members of the public may refer to the demonstration video produced by the Centre for Health Protection (CHP) under the Department of Health (DH) via www.youtube.com/watch?v=yzFAUzTtmKk to learn how to use the rapid antigen test (RAT) kit.

Persons testing positive through an RAT should take a photo of the test result and declare the result within 24 hours via the Declaration System for Individuals Tested Positive for COVID-19 Using Rapid Antigen Test (www.chp.gov.hk/ratp). If members of the public encounter difficulties in

using the online platform, they can call the automated system at 183 6119 to register their identification document and telephone number. The CHP under the DH will contact the relevant person later to complete the report procedure. There is no need to declare negative test results.

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.