

HAD distributes complimentary COVID-19 rapid test kits to households, cleansing workers and property management staff in Ma Wan, Tai Po and Kwai Chung (with photo)

In the light of the positive test results for the COVID-19 virus from some sewage samples collected in Ma Wan; Tai Wo Estate, Tai Po (Lai Wo House and On Wo House) and Po Nga Court, Tai Po (Yat Wo House, Hing Wo House and Ka Wo House), as well as the Sewage Testing Area Kwai Chung Site 3A (Kwai Chung Site) (See Annex), the Home Affairs Department (including the Tsuen Wan District Office (TWDO), Tai Po District Office (TPDO) and the Kwai Tsing District Office (K&TDO)) today (February 3) started to distribute a total of about 38 000 COVID-19 rapid test kits to households, cleansing workers and property management staff within the areas.

The TWDO today distributed a total of around 16 000 rapid test kits to households, cleansing workers and property management staff within the district through a property management company and the rural committee in Ma Wan. The TPDO distributed a total of around 14 000 rapid test kits to households living within the relevant buildings of the estates through property management companies. The K&TDO, together with the Housing Department, also started to distribute about 8 000 rapid test kits to cleansing workers and property management staff working within the Kwai Chung Site through property management companies 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.

For more information on the use of the rapid test kits, residents may refer to the following link: www.youtube.com/watch?v=XjLzD3-gab4.

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.

