

HAD distributes complimentary COVID-19 rapid test kits to households, cleansing workers and property management staff in Tai Po, Sha Tin, Kwun Tong and Wong Tai Sin Districts

In light of positive test results for the COVID-19 virus from sewage samples collected in Tai Po, Sha Tin, Kwun Tong and Wong Tai Sin Districts, the Home Affairs Department (HAD) said today (August 18) that the Tai Po District Office (TPDO), the Sha Tin District Office (STD0), the Kwun Tong District Office (KTDO) and the Wong Tai Sin District Office (WTSD0) have distributed a total of about 251 000 COVID-19 rapid test kits to households, cleansing workers and property management staff living and working in the Districts.

The TPDO distributed rapid test kits to households, cleansing workers and property management staff living and working in Lam Tsuen San Tsuen, Ping Long, Mei Tak Building, 1-39 Po Yick Street, 1-19 Kwong Fuk Road, Kwong Fook Building, Central Plaza, Yee Nga Court, Ming Nga Court, Sun Hing Garden, Serenity Park Phases 1 and 2, Tai Po Tau, Serenity Villa, the Wonderland, San Wa On Lane and Full Scene Garden for voluntary testing through the property management companies and the Village Representatives.

The STD0 also distributed rapid test kits to households, cleansing workers and property management staff living and working in Greenview Garden, San Tin Village, Kak Tin Village, Kak Tin Village Nam Kau, Golden Lion Garden Phase 1, Fung Shing Court, Belair Gardens and the Riverpark for voluntary testing through the owners' corporations, the property management companies and the Village Representatives.

The KTDO also commenced distributing rapid test kits to households, cleansing workers and property management staff living and working in Jade Field Garden, Wang Kwong Building, Lee Kee Building, Shiu King Building, Ocean One, Peninsula East, the Spectacle, Maya, One East Coast, Canaryside, Yau Tong Centre and Yau Chui Court for voluntary testing through the property management companies.

In addition, the WTSD0 distributed rapid test kits to households, cleansing workers and property management staff living and working in Pang Ching Court and residential premises around Tsui Fung Street and Fei Fung Street for voluntary testing through the property management company, the owners' corporations and the mutual aid committees. The WTSD0 also arranged to distribute rapid test kits to households living in "three-nil" buildings with positive sewage testing results in the district.

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.