

## S for S distributes COVID-19 rapid test kits to fight virus (with photos)

In the light of the positive COVID-19 virus test results from some sewage samples collected in Yuen Long Site 4A last week, the Secretary for Security, Mr Tang Ping-keung, distributed rapid test kits to members of the public at On Tat Square in Yuen Long today (February 4) in the company of the District Officer (Yuen Long), Mr Gordon Wu, and local community members. Mr Tang urged residents and those working in Yuen Long District to undergo testing promptly for early identification of infected persons to help cut the silent transmission chains of COVID-19 and fight the virus together.

Mr Tang also expressed his gratitude to all colleagues and local community members in the district for their concerted efforts in the battle against the epidemic.

A total of 1 000 rapid test kits were distributed in the event today to members of the public for voluntary testing. In the face of the risks posed by the highly transmissible variants amid the fifth wave of the epidemic and the positive sewage testing results in some districts, the Government is preparing rapid test kits and distributing them to the residents and those working in the district who have been exposed to infection risks to undergo testing on a voluntary basis to achieve early identification, early isolation and early treatment.

For more information on the use of the rapid test kits, members of the public may refer to the following link: [www.youtube.com/watch?v=D\\_mhPvgSjUY](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D_mhPvgSjUY).

If a positive test result is shown on the test kit, medical attention should be sought at the Accident and Emergency Departments promptly to receive appropriate diagnosis and treatment at the earliest possible time. Members of the public who test positive should stay home as far as possible to avoid spreading the virus in the community. The Government stresses that rapid test kit testing is not a substitute for the compulsory testing requirement. Individuals who are in doubt about their own health condition, have visited places with epidemic outbreaks, have had contact with persons who tested positive or have other cause for concern should undergo testing promptly at testing centres.

