## HAD continues to provide food packs and anti-epidemic items to people in need

The Home Affairs Department (HAD) is stepping up collaboration with charities to provide food packs for elderly singletons and doubleton households in need living in Kowloon East, as well as distributing antiepidemic cleaning products to people in need in different districts in Hong Kong through non-governmental organisations.

A spokesperson for the HAD today (July 24) said that, due to the severity of the local epidemic situation, the Chief Executive instructed the HAD earlier on to arrange provision of food packs for elderly singleton and doubleton households in need living in the public housing estates in Kowloon East. As of today, the HAD has distributed over 5 000 food packs to the elderly living in public housing estates with confirmed cases of COVID-19, including Tsz Ching Estate in Tsz Wan Shan and Choi Fai Estate in Ngau Chi Wan in Wong Tai Sin District and Ping Shek Estate in Kwun Tong District through the Lok Sin Tong and the Tung Wah Group of Hospitals.

To strengthen anti-epidemic work, the HAD is also distributing anti-epidemic cleaning products, including about 4.9 million surgical masks and 3 million sachets of hand sanitiser, to people in need, underprivileged groups and the elderly across the territory through non-governmental organisations.

Elderly people living in Kowloon East public housing estates in need of food packs may call the Lok Sin Tong at 5485 1633 or 5643 2936.

The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government appeals to all sectors of society to stand united and work together to fight against the epidemic, and strongly believes Hong Kong will overcome this acute challenge.