

## **HAD distributes complimentary COVID-19 rapid test kits to households, cleansing workers and property management staff in Sha Tin, Yau Tsim Mong, Kwai Tsing and Yuen Long (with photos)**

In light of the positive test results for the COVID-19 virus from some sewage samples collected in Sha Tin, Yau Tsim Mong, Kwai Tsing and Yuen Long, the Home Affairs Department (including the Sha Tin District Office (STD0), the Yau Tsim Mong District Office (YTMD0), the Kwai Tsing District Office (K&TD0) and the Yuen Long District Office (YLD0)) today (February 19) distributed a total of about 8700 COVID-19 rapid test kits (rapid test kits) to households, cleansing workers and property management staff living and working in the Districts.

The STD0 distributed rapid test kits to households, cleansing workers and property management staff living and working in Kam Fai Court for voluntary testing through its property management company.

The YTMD0 also distributed rapid test kits to households, guesthouse guests, shop staff, cleansing workers and property management staff living and working in Chungking Mansions for voluntary testing through the representatives from shops and the property management company. Anti-epidemic promotional posters in ethnic minority languages were also distributed.

The K&TD0 also distributed rapid test kits to cleansing workers and property management staff working in Cheung Ching Estate and Tai Wo Hau Estate for voluntary testing through the Housing Department and the property management companies.

In addition, the YLD0 distributed rapid test kits to cleansing workers and property management staff working in Tin Yiu Estate for voluntary testing through the property management company of the Estate.

The Home Affairs Department made the above arrangements 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 rapid test kits, please view the following demonstration video produced by the Centre for Health Protection, the Department of Health: [www.youtube.com/watch?v=aeDummTkpA0&t=1s](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aeDummTkpA0&t=1s).

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.

