

HAD distributes complimentary COVID-19 rapid test kits to households, cleansing workers and property management staff in Sham Shui Po, Yuen Long and North District (with photos)

In light of the positive test results for the COVID-19 virus from some sewage samples collected in Sham Shui Po, Yuen Long and North District, the Home Affairs Department (HAD) said today (March 15) that the Sham Shui Po District Office (SSPDO), the Yuen Long District Office (YLDO) and the North District Office (NDO) have distributed a total of about 82 000 COVID-19 rapid test kits (rapid test kits) to households, cleansing workers and property management staff living and working in the districts.

The SSPDO distributed rapid test kits to households, cleansing workers and property management staff living and working in Phase 1 to Phase 8 of Mei Foo Sun Chuen for voluntary testing through the owners' corporations and the property management companies.

The YLDO also distributed rapid test kits to households, cleansing workers and property management staff living and working in Tin Yat Estate and Tin Yuet Estate for voluntary testing through the Housing Department and the property management companies.

In addition, the NDO distributed rapid test kits to households, cleansing workers and property management staff living and working in Yuk Po Court, Yung Shing Court and Cheong Shing Court for voluntary testing through the property management companies.

The HAD made the above arrangements in the hope of identifying infected persons early.

For people who obtained positive results through rapid antigen test (RAT) for the first time can report via the online platform "Declaration System for individuals tested positive for COVID-19 using Rapid Antigen Test" (www.chp.gov.hk/ratp/). If individuals encounter difficulties in using the online platform, they can call the automated system at 1836 119 to register their identification document and telephone number. The Centre for Health Protection will contact the relevant person later to finish the report procedure.

For more information on rapid test kits, please view the following demonstration video produced by the Centre for Health Protection of the Department of Health: www.youtube.com/watch?v=yzFAUzTtmKk.

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.

