

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

In light of positive test results for the COVID-19 virus from sewage samples collected in Tai Po, Wong Tai Sin and Sha Tin Districts, the Home Affairs Department (HAD) said today (July 21) that the Tai Po District Office (TPDO), the Wong Tai Sin District Office (WTSDO) and the Sha Tin District Office (STD0) have distributed a total of about 298 000 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 Fu Heng Estate, Wan Tau Tong Estate, The Regent, Grand Palisades, The Paragon, The Paramount, JC Castle, Grand Dynasty View, Dynasty View and The Balmoral for voluntary testing through the property management companies and the owners' corporations.

The WTSDO also started distributing rapid test kits to households, cleansing workers and property management staff living and working in Tin Wang Court, Tin Ma Court, Tsui Chuk Garden and Chuk Yuen United Village for voluntary testing through the property management companies and the Village Representative.

The STD0 also started distributing rapid test kits to households, cleansing workers and property management staff living and working in Seanorama, Altissimo, Double Cove, Double Cove Summit, Double Cove Starview, Double Cove Starview Prime, Double Cove Grandview, Lake Silver, St Barths (including villas) and Hin Keng Estate for voluntary testing through the property management companies, the owners' corporation and the owners' committees.

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.

