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Hengan International and Optimas Capital Jointly Donate 10,000 Covid-19 Rapid Test Kits to Charities to Support Disadvantaged Groups in Fight Against Pandemic

(18 Feb 2022, Hong Kong) To meet the community's urgent need for virus testing amid the raging COVID-19 pandemic, especially such need of the disadvantaged groups which lack antipandemic resources, China's leading personal and household hygiene products company Hengan International Co., Ltd. and Asia's leading alternative investment firm Optimas Capital Limited will join hands this Friday (18 February) and next week to donate 10,000 Covid-19 rapid test kits to charities, including the children's education and rehabilitation agency Heep Hong Society, Hong Kong Blind Union, Feeding Hong Kong, Mother's Choice, and Caritas Hong Kong. The move is aimed at easing the economic burden of buying the test kits on disadvantaged groups.

Martin Li, Executive Director and Chief Financial Officer of Hengan International, said, "Since the outbreak of COVID-19, Hengan has been actively fulfilling its corporate social responsibility by giving full support to the national anti-pandemic efforts and ensuring the uninterrupted production and supply of medical masks and other anti-pandemic materials. The Group had donated money, face masks, protective clothing, antiseptic wipes and hand sanitizers to the Chinese Center for Disease Control and Prevention and hospitals. In Hong Kong, the Group had also donated one million face masks to teachers and students of primary and secondary schools, Yan Chai Hospital and the disadvantaged groups in Sham Shui Po District. The disadvantaged groups need extra support to cope with the onslaught of a new wave of resurgent COVID-19 pandemic in the city. Therefore, the Group and Optimas Capital jointly give them free rapid Covid-19 test kits as tokens of care and love, and as a way to ease their financial burden. We are determined to fight the pandemic with all the Hong Kong citizens as one."

"Here at Optimas, we strive to make a positive impact in everything we do." said Ronald Cheung, Partner of Optimas Capital. "Optimas Foundation was set up in 2018 to support and give back to Hong Kong's local communities, and we have been donating more than 1% of the fund's performance fee to community charitable programs every year. Dedicated to this cause, we have provided financial and in-person assistance to an array of organizations since the pandemic outbreak. We have sourced face masks and other anti-pandemic materials to over ten different charities in response to the lack of medical supplies in the city, when the COVID pandemic started in 2020. The latest Omicron wave calls for a large amount of COVID test kits, which is a heavy financial burden for parts of our society. We are grateful that Hengan and Optimas can come together to contribute to this worthy cause."

The Bandi Check Oral Type SARS-CoV-2(COVID-19) Antigen Rapid Test Kit, which will be given to the disadvantaged groups, has been validated by Paul-Ehrlich-Institut, which is a German medical regulatory body, and recognized by the Health Security Committee of the European Union. The kit can effectively detect the Delta and Omicron variants of Covid-19, and has sensitivity of 95.8% and specificity of over 99.2%. The test results could be obtained within 10 to 15 minutes. Oral sampling, as a convenient and reliable type of test, also reduces discomfort.

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