



Hengan International and Banitore Jointly Donate 50,000 Covid-19 Rapid Test Kits to Charities to Help Disadvantaged Groups Overcome Pandemic

(22 Feb 2022, Hong Kong) The raging fifth wave of Covid-19 pandemic has sent the number of cases surging, so much so that a quick antigen test has become a requisite of the daily antipandemic effort. To contribute to the fight against the disease, China's leading personal and household hygiene products company Hengan International Co., Ltd. and Hong Kong's leading healthcare brand Banitore jointly donate 50,000 Covid-19 rapid test kits to grassroot citizens today. The move aims at easing the economic burden of buying the test kits on the disadvantaged groups.

Mr. Tommy Hui, Executive Director of Hengan International, and Ms. Nancy Wong, Director of Banitore, said together, "Hengan and Banitore have been giving full support to the national anti-pandemic efforts and actively offering timely assistance in kind and money to the needy. The recent onslaught of the fifth wave of Covid-19 pandemic in Hong Kong has overwhelmed the city's healthcare system and instilled anxiety in the public. We hope to help the citizens get through the difficulties and assist in bringing the pandemic under control soon. We give Covid-19 rapid test kits to the disadvantaged groups to ease their anxiety and economic burden."

The Bandi Check nasal 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 97.5% and specificity of over 99.2%. The test results could be obtained within 10 to 15 minutes. Nasal sampling, as a convenient and reliable type of test, also reduces discomfort.

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