

**MTR Donates 100,000 Surgical Masks to the Community
and Fights Against the Epidemic with the Public**

The supply of surgical masks has been tight amid the COVID-19 outbreak and some people in need face difficulty in purchasing surgical masks. The MTR Corporation announced today (18 February 2020) that it will donate 100,000 surgical masks to members of the community through The Hong Kong Council of Social Service (“HKCSS”) in the fight against the epidemic.

As one of the major public transport operators in Hong Kong, MTR places great importance on the safety and health of passengers and staff. The Corporation has been striving to provide protective gear to frontline staff during the COVID-19 outbreak. We understand that the supply of surgical masks is tight and procurement for the Corporation is not easy at all. It is even more difficult for some citizens to purchase surgical masks. After having ensured the supply of protective gear for frontline staff, the Corporation has decided to donate 100,000 surgical masks to members of the community and will liaise with the HKCSS on the delivery and other details.

“We believe we should support each other during this difficult time. As part of the community, MTR hopes to make an extra effort to tide us over the challenge. We will distribute the surgical masks to the elderly and other people in need through the HKCSS network to fight against the epidemic together. We want to thank HKCSS for the help to do so,” said Dr Jacob Kam, Chief Executive Officer of MTR Corporation.

Apart from providing surgical masks to staff who are on duty, the Corporation will also distribute an additional 15 surgical masks to each member of staff to share with their families. In response to the continuing COVID-19 outbreak, the Corporation has enhanced infection preventive measures, including stepping up ventilation, cleaning and disinfection in railway stations and train compartments as well as MTR malls to safeguard customers’ health. The Corporation disseminates advisory messages on preventing COVID-19 and maintaining good hygiene to customers, and has also reminded passengers that should they feel unwell, they should seek medical advice as soon as possible.

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Every day, MTR connects people and communities. As a recognised world-class operator of sustainable rail transport services, we are a leader in safety, reliability, customer service and efficiency.

MTR has extensive end-to-end railway expertise with more than 40 years of railway projects experience from design to planning and construction through to commissioning, maintenance and operations. Going beyond railway delivery and operation, MTR also creates and manages dynamic communities around its network through seamless integration of rail, commercial and property development.

With more than 40,000 dedicated staff*, MTR carries over 13 million passenger journeys worldwide every weekday in Hong Kong, the United Kingdom, Sweden, Australia and the Mainland of China. MTR strives to grow and connect communities for a better future.

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