

CENTRE FOR MIGRANT DOMESTIC WORKERS

Critical Intervention, Access to Justice, Education, and Shelter Services

SHELTER ACTIVITIES Amid COVID-19 Outbreak: The Situation of Shelter Residents

Covid-19 outbreak has caused some MDWs stranded in our shelter. The government announcement for civil servant to work from home resulting the MDWs case pending at the Labour Department or Labur Tribunal and also could not leave Hong Kong after the termination or and finish of their employment contract.



To fill the gap of the shortage for the mask to wear when the Covid-19 just began, in early february 2020 we taught the shelter resident to make a mask out of fabric for internal use. Gradually we receive mask donation from partner organization and individuals such as Tsung Tsin Mission of Hong Kong, Evangelical Lutheran Church of

Hong Kong-Overseas Mission Department, Indonesian Consulate, Pospera Hong Kong, Feeding Hong Kong, Community Chest, UNISON, former client, and Indonesia Methodist Centre. Apart from mask donation, we also handed vitamin C, extra fruit and hand sanitizer to shelter resident under the support of Italian Women Association.

In order to make sure, shelter residents have proper information about coronavirus and to help them release the physiological burden caused by the rapid speed of the COVID-19, in collaboration with Medicines Sans Frontiers, we organized health talks on Covid-19, then followed up by a workshop on 'How to cope with anxiety and stress-related to COVID-19 on 11 and 18 March 2020 respectively.

