

## **Media Release**

## DDL DONATES SANITIZING CLEANER TO EDUCATION MINISTRY AS SCHOOLS PREPARE FOR CXC EXAMS

- Each secondary school to receive five gallons of Environ

**DIAMOND, EAST BANK DEMERARA, GUYANA, JUNE 27, 2020:** Demerara Distillers Limited (DDL) on Friday announced a donation of alcohol based sanitizing cleaner, Environ, to the Ministry of Education to assist secondary schools with preparation for the upcoming Caribbean Examinations Council (CXC) Examinations (CSEC and CAPE).

One hundred and twenty-eight secondary schools across the country will each receive 19 litres (5 gallons) of the cleanser to ensure that the areas to be used by the examination students are cleaned to guard against the spread of COVID-19.

The first donations were yesterday delivered directly to three Georgetown secondary schools, St Joseph's High, South Ruimveldt Secondary and Richard Ishmael. The remainder will be delivered directly to the Ministry for distribution.

DDL's Chairman Komal Samaroo said that "The students who are about to write these examinations are our next generation of leadership and Covid-19 is the most recent addition to the challenges that they face on the road to development. As a company we have remained focused on supporting education so this was an obvious decision for us to respond to the COVID-19 challenge that our current students face."

The company is now working on arrangements to provide similar support to schools at other levels prior to the planned opening of all schools in September.

This donation of 2,500 litres to secondary schools follows a donation of 15,000 litres in March to senior citizen's homes, orphanages, night shelters, prisons, and other facilities similar to these. In addition, the sanitizing cleaner was distributed to agencies that provide public services to assist in keeping counter surfaces clean. These included the post offices, police stations, health centres, and public hospitals.

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Note to Editors: Photography attached.

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