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Orders for Natshield Sanitizer spike after coronavirus outbreak

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KUALA LUMPUR/PERTH: ASX-listed Holista CollTech (Holista) announced a strong spike in demand in Malaysia for its all-natural disinfectant spray NatShield Sanitizer, that contains the powerful PathAway anti-microbial compound.

The increased demand follows the recent outbreak of the deadly coronavirus originating from Wuhan, China.

Holista confirmed that since mid-January 2020, it had sold out all NatShield Sanitizer in its inventory.

Each bottle of NatShield Sanitizer contains five per cent of Path-Away which is made from natural plant-based substances that have been approved for use by the US Food and

Drug of Authority and tested by World Health Organisation (WHO) approved laboratories in numerous countries around the world.

Dr Arthur Martin, president of GICC said, “The Path-Away formula has been proven in world renowned laboratories including those working with WHO, to be able to kill over 170 deadly pathogens including previously existing forms of coronaviruses.

“Path-Away is currently undergoing testing on the newly emerged coronavirus designated as the “Wuhan Virus.”

Developed by Global Infection

Control Consultants LLC (GICC) based in South Carolina, US, Path-Away is distributed in Malaysia by Holista as NatShield Sanitizer. Holista is the exclusive distributor of Path-Away for the Asean region.

Asean countries with confirmed cases of the coronavirus include Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand and Cambodia.

Based on requests from seven chains representing over 3,000 pharmacies in Malaysia, Holista has ordered 60,000 bottles of NatShield Sanitizer to be airfreighted to Malaysia from the US by mid-February.

The novel coronavirus was first reported to WHO on

December 31, 2019 and has been under investigation ever since. Countries with confirmed infections include the US, Canada, France, Australia, Japan, South Korea and Nepal.

The active substance in the spray weakens the cell walls of the virus, causing the infectious organisms to clump together, in the process killing themselves, almost instantly. The potent compound is environmentally safe with very low toxicity and hence is not harmful to humans and pets even if accidentally swallowed. It is free of alcohol and other potentially toxic chemicals.

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It is approved for use by

Malaysia's Ministry of Health, with special reference to the H1N1 virus – another corona virus, similar to one in this outbreak which led to more than 70 deaths in 2009.

It has also been approved by the Food and Safety Authority of New Zealand, and the New Zealand Environmental Protection Authority (EPA).

It is also approved by the United States Pharmacopeia and has undergone successful USP-51 testing as a disinfectant.

“This is not a drug. It acts by sanitising body parts. It had been consistently shown to be effective and safe to users and the environment in the most advanced biosafety laboratories in the world,” said Dr Rajen Manicka, the CEO of Holista which is headquartered in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia and listed on the Aus-

“NatShield Sanitizer was created to treat previously known coronaviruses. It can be used as a precautionary spray in crowded areas including public transport. Three to five sprays are all that is needed to disinfect hands, toilet seats, door-knobs, countertops and trolley bars, with efficacy lasting up to two hours. We plan to sell it in all infected Asean countries,” he said.