

**PRESS RELEASE****IDI JDN and Suntory Garuda Beverage Campaign the Use of Cloth Masks for the Community, Make Medical Masks and Hazmat Available for Medical Personnel**

**Jakarta, Indonesia, 14 April 2020** - Junior Doctors Network - Indonesian Doctors Association (IDI JDN) and Suntory Garuda Beverage (SGB), the leading beverage company in Indonesia, encourage people to wear cloth masks when leaving home in accordance with [WHO's](#) appeal in hopes that enough medical masks or N95 and disposable coveralls (hazmat clothing) will be available for medical workers in Indonesia.



This was called on jointly by the two organizations to the public during a symbolic handover of 2,000 hazmat suits and thousands of medical masks including N95 masks for health workers in 22 hospitals, spread in 12 cities; including Jakarta, Bekasi, Sorong, Ambon, and eight cities where SGB factories are located, namely Tangerang, Gunung Putri Bogor, Pati, Sidoarjo, Bandar Lampung, Pekanbaru, Gowa and Banjarbaru.

**Dr. Andi Khomeini Takdir Haruni, SpPD (K), Chairman of the Indonesian Junior Doctors Network (JDN)**, says, "With the high demand for personal protective equipment (PPE) across communities and areas, not only from the medical community, in addition to the PPE soared price, the stock was running low. Whereas the lack of PPE can make medical workers who are at the forefront of overcoming the COVID-19 outbreak very vulnerable and can even worsen the spread of the virus. We cannot allow this situation to occur continuously. If you are healthy, just work, study and pray at home. Don't swarm. Use a cloth mask when leaving the house. Wash your hands thoroughly and avoid touching your face. Please allow medical personnel who use PPE with medical standards because the risk of contracting is indeed higher. "

Therefore JDN IDI highly appreciates the assistance given by the SGB to the team of doctors and medical personnel in Indonesia. "The assistance from SGB is very meaningful for medical workers to reduce the risk of being contaminated, so that they can continue to provide optimal services in handling Corona patients," he added.

The aid distribution mechanism is determined by IDI JDN by listing hospitals and clinics in the 12 regions and support for each hospital. On behalf of JDN IDI, the SGB field team will then send the PPE package according to JDN IDI instructions. Inside the package there will be a recipient's contact guide along with a reference letter from JDN IDI.

**Charles Rossi, Chief Executive Officer, SGB said**, "We would like to express our highest gratitude and appreciation for the enthusiasm and devotion of medical personnel in handling the COVID-19 pandemic. We are also grateful to JDN IDI for giving SGB and employees the opportunity to contribute to providing PPE for Indonesian medical personnel. We can get through these difficult times only if we all work together hand in hand. Therefore, we would like to invite all levels of society to obey the appeal of the Government as well as national and international health institutions to break the chain of the spread of the virus - especially by always using a mask when you should go outside the house, but do not use medical masks or hazmat clothing . Masks from fabric are enough. "

Charles further explained that the collaboration is in line with Suntory Group's vision of 'Growing for Good,' always aspiring to grow to become a company that always benefits its community.

Human safety and health are SGB's top priority, therefore, in addition to PPE assistance to 22 hospitals in 12 regions in Indonesia, SGB also provides PPE as well as handsanitizer and supplements for employees, distributors and business partners of the company . SGB also distributed tens of thousands of fabric masks to nearly 700 grocery stores selling SGB products spread throughout Indonesia and no less than 20 schools in 4 cities throughout Indonesia.

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### **About Junior Doctors Network Indonesia (JDN Indonesia)**

JDN Indonesia is a national cadre organization for young doctors to continue the IDI leadership relay, and is a movement organization that has a passion to contribute to building Indonesia's health and to contribute on international level. JDN Indonesia is under the Indonesian Doctors Association (IDI) and the World Medical Association (WMA). IDI is the official representation of Indonesia at the World Medical Association (WMA) while JDN Indonesia is the official representation of Indonesia at the World Medical Association's Junior Doctor Network (JDN-WMA).

The initial format for the establishment of the Indonesian JDN was initiated by the Working Group on Dissemination of PB IDI Health Issues. The vision of JDN Indonesia is to be a means for young Indonesian doctors to gather and develop themselves in various sectors and professional service scales, improve the health of the people of Indonesia, and also to provide support to its members in establishing strategic partnerships with a community of doctors throughout the world. JDN Indonesia's activities include advocacy and strengthening in the field of medical education, community service and strengthening of medical opinion as well as determining the direction of health sector policy, sharing of journals, research potential and technology, ethical advocacy and medical law at national and international levels.

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### **About Suntory Group**

As a global leader in the beverages industry, Suntory Group offers a uniquely diverse portfolio of products from brewed teas, bottled water, carbonated soft drinks, ready-to-drink coffee and energy drinks as well as health and wellness products. Suntory is home to award-winning *Yamazaki*, *Hibiki* and *Hakushu*, *The Premium Malt's*, and iconic American classics *Jim Beam* and *Maker's Mark* as well as casual favorites *Orangina*, *Lucozade*, *Ribena*, *TEA plus*, *BOSS coffee*, *lyemon green tea*, and *Suntory Tennensui water*.

Founded as a family-owned business in 1899 in Osaka, Japan, Suntory Group has grown into a global company operating throughout the Americas, Europe, Africa, Asia and Oceania with an annual revenue (excluding excise taxes) of \$21.0 billion in 2019. We are driven by Yatte Minahare - the spirit of bold ambition - and our 40,210 employees worldwide draw upon our unique blend of Japanese artisanship and global tastes to explore new product categories and markets.

As a company that delivers blessings of water and nature to our customers, we are committed to our mission to create harmony with people and nature. Always aspiring to grow for good, we are devoted to giving back to society through protecting water resources, nurturing our communities and fostering the arts.

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### **About Suntory Beverage and Food (SBF)**

Suntory Beverage & Food Ltd (SBF) is a global soft drink company with consolidated revenue of approx. \$11.9 billion in 2019. Headquartered in Japan and listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange since 2013, SBF is expanding its business with a diverse portfolio of soft drinks and globally integrated platform in five key regions: Japan, Europe, Asia, Oceania and the Americas. SBF's vision is to enrich our drinking-experiences to be more natural, healthy, convenient, and fulfilling, by leading the next drinks revolution.

SBF is a core company of Suntory Group, which was founded in 1899 with consolidated revenue of approx. \$21.0 billion in 2019. For further information please visit <http://www.suntory.com/softdrink/index.html>

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## About Suntory Garuda Beverage

Suntory Garuda Beverage (SGB) was established as a joint venture in 2011 between Suntory in Japan and Garuda Food in Indonesia. SGB offers a varied portfolio of beverages, from OKKY jelly drink and Moun tea ready-to-drink tea to MYTEA bottled tea and Good Mood water + natural goodness. In line with Suntory group's promise of "Mizu To Ikiru" SGB has worked continuously to expand and enrich its CSR and sustainability programs, focusing on three areas: social, environment and governance. Our commitment to society includes educational activities such as career talks and factory tours as well as disaster response and various social activities. In February 2019, SGB start pilot program of Suntory "Mizuiku" which teaches younger generations the importance of clean water and conserving water resources. SGB will continue to strive to enrich our customers' lives by developing innovative new products, sharing our values, bringing benefits to our employees and business partners, and contributing to the communities in which we do business.

SGB currently operates 8 manufacturing plants that are located in Tangerang, Gunung Putri, Pati, Sidoarjo, Lampung, Pekanbaru, Gowa and Banjarbaru.

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