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RUSNANO Allocates RUB 5 Mln to Help the Far East Overcome the Spread of Coronavirus

RUSNANO Group has allocated RUB 5 mln to support the Far East regions in their fight against the spread of coronavirus. The aid programme is being implemented by the Far East and Arctic Development Fund (FEDF) following an order of Yury Trutnev, Deputy Prime Minister of the Russian Federation and Presidential Plenipotentiary Envoy to the Far Eastern Federal District. More than 20 large Russian companies participate in the financing. The target volume of the support programme is RUB 950 mln.

The programme is aimed at improving the level of personal protective equipment and specialized equipment for the Far Eastern Federal District’s medical institutions to fight the COVID-19 pandemic. This will reduce the risks of contracting disease for medical personnel and improve the effectiveness of therapy for patients with COVID-19.

Procurement of additional personal protective equipment is centralized and already distributed to medical facilities of the Far Eastern regions. 289,000 protective coveralls, 206,000 protective goggles, 408,000 respirators and 200,000 pairs of medical gloves are provided to medical personnel for the raised funds. Besides, direct financial aid for the health care needs of Republic of Buryatia, Trans-Baikal Territory, Kamchatka Territory, Magadan Region and Jewish Autonomous Region is provided. The necessary equipment for regional hospitals has already been procured with these funds.

Anatoly Chubais, Chairman of the Executive Board of Management Company RUSNANO:

“Amidst the ongoing pandemic, we consider it our duty to create the safest possible environment for medical personnel working in a highly stressful health care environment. In the Far East, it is particularly important to ensure the timely delivery of protective and medical equipment to all remote areas with difficult transport accessibility.”

Alexey Chekunkov, General Director of the Far East Development Fund:
“A set of measures aimed at fighting the spread of infection is being implemented in the Far East. It is important for the state, development institutions and large companies to work together. This makes it possible to provide doctors with effective personal protective equipment in a timely manner and to ensure professional and prompt medical assistance to Far Eastern patients. We thank RUSNANO and all participants of the programme for their support and participation. I am sure that together we will be able to overcome temporary difficulties and win.”

VEB.RF, Roman Abramovich Foundation, PJSC Polyus, Evraz, PJSC RusHydro, Sibur, JSC Russian Copper Company, Nakhodka Marine Trade Port, MC Kolmar, GC Rusagro, RFP Holding, Baikal Mining Company, SUEK, SMNM Veco, Backer Hughes and a number of other companies are already participating in the Far East regions support programme implemented by FEDF.

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Work to establish nanotechnology infrastructure and carry out educational programs is fulfilled by RUSNANO’s **Fund for Infrastructure and Educational Programs**, which was also established during the reorganization of the Russian Corporation of Nanotechnologies.