GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.107
TO BE ANSWERED ON 2ND FEBRUARY, 2021

FREE COVID-19 VACCINES FOR BIHAR

107 SMT. PHULO DEVI NETAM:

Will the Minister of **HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government will be purchasing COVID-19 vaccines at a nominal cost and providing the same to the States;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the cost at which vaccines will be provided to the State of Bihar;

(d) whether the rate per vaccine for Bihar will be the same as the rate provided to the States other than Bihar; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)

(a) to (e): At present the Covishield vaccine (manufactured by M/s Serum Institute of India) and Covaxin vaccine (manufactured by M/s Bharat Biotech International Limited) have been procured by the Central Government and provided free of cost to States and UTs, including Bihar, for vaccination of Health Care Workers and Front Line Workers.