

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1871
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16TH DECEMBER 2025**

COVID-19 CASES AND VACCINATION COVERAGE RATES IN THE COUNTRY

1871. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

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

- (a) the number of active COVID-19 cases and vaccination coverage rates across the country as of November 1, 2025;
- (b) the preparedness level of Government for any potential resurgence of respiratory illnesses during the winter season, including stock of essential medicines; and
- (c) the details of new public health campaigns launched in 2025 to promote booster doses among high-risk groups?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)**

- (a) As of November 1, 2025, twelve active COVID-19 cases have been reported across India. At present, there is no demand for COVID-19 vaccines in States/UTs.
- (b) & (c) The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare regularly reviews preparedness measures for respiratory illnesses in the country including seasonal influenza and continues to closely follow trends of respiratory illnesses particularly Influenza Like Illness (ILI) and Severe Acute Respiratory Illness (SARI) under Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme (IDSP) as well as through ICMR's sentinel surveillance for respiratory pathogens.

An advisory was sent by the National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) to State Surveillance Units of all States/UTs, to ensure health facility preparedness, availability of adequate quantities of logistics including stocks of essential medicines, strengthen surveillance activities for ILI/SARI and public awareness through Information, Education, Communication (IEC) on various aspects of seasonal influenza and its early reporting. Guidelines for awareness on seasonal influenza are available on the Ministry's website (<https://ncdc.mohfw.gov.in/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/72513234671561442053-1.pdf>).
