

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

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2917**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.03.2023**

**OUTBREAK OF COVID-19**

**2917 SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU.:**

Will the **MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of people traced, tested, treated/ recovered and died including doctors, medical practitioners and frontline workers in the country so far since the outbreak of Covid-19 pandemic in the country, State/UT/year-wise;
- (b) whether there is any proposal to start another booster dose/variant-specific vaccine against Covid-19;
- (c) if so, the details thereof including the status of approval of the Covovax vaccine in the country and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has issued new guidelines for passengers coming to India from or via China, Hong Kong, Japan, South Korea and Thailand that they do not require a negative RT-PCR report from a pre-departure test for Covid-19 and not to fill the self-health declaration form on the Air Suvidha portal; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the safety measures adopted for the same?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE**  
**(DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)**

**(a) to (e):** As reported by States/UTs, as on 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023 a cumulative total of 4,46,90,936 confirmed cases of COVID-19 (including 5,30,782 deaths) have been reported in the country. A cumulative total of 4,41,56,345 have recovered from the disease. Details are placed at **Annexure**.

Precaution dose is available under the National Covid-19 vaccination programme for all eligible beneficiaries above 18 years, after an interval of six months from the date of administration of the 2<sup>nd</sup> dose.

The COVID-19 Working Group of National Technical Advisory Group on Immunization (NTAGI) deliberates on the need for booster dose/variant-specific vaccine, new vaccine introduction in National Covid-19 vaccination program. Presently, Covovax is available for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> dose for beneficiaries 12 years and above in private Covid Vaccination Centers (CVCs).

In the month of December 2022, while the trajectory of COVID-19 in India was stable but a global upsurge was noted particularly from some Western Pacific and South East Asian countries. Accordingly, an additional requirement of pre-departure testing and uploading of negative COVID-19 RT-PCR test reports and self-health declaration form on Air Suvidha portal was made

mandatory for travellers coming from/transiting via these countries. Subsequently in view of declining COVID-19 trajectory in these countries updated guidelines were issued on 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2023 and these additional requirements were dropped.

2% of the total passengers in all incoming international flights are required to undergo post arrival COVID-19 testing, irrespective of port of departure to monitor positive cases and their variants.

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**State/UT wise distribution of cumulative cases & deaths due to COVID-19, number of recovered cases and COVID-19 tests conducted, as reported by the States/UTs (as on 13<sup>th</sup> March, 2023)**

S. No.	Name of State / UT	COVID-19 tests conducted	Total cases	Recovered Cases	Deaths
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	533823	10751	10622	129
2	Andhra Pradesh	33401559	2339098	2324361	14733
3	Arunachal Pradesh	766947	66891	66595	296
4	Assam	16942779	746100	738065	8035
5	Bihar	95502705	851428	839122	12303
6	Chandigarh	1362185	99372	98187	1182
7	Chhattisgarh	18070103	1177804	1163652	14146
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	624890	11591	11587	4
9	Delhi	40806109	2007679	1981117	26523
10	Goa	2134800	259180	255143	4013
11	Gujarat	38844549	1277971	1266711	11047
12	Haryana	18524631	1056784	1046029	10714
13	Himachal Pradesh	4220782	312839	308574	4213
14	Jammu and Kashmir	19773237	479525	474701	4785
15	Jharkhand	19134734	442579	437246	5331
16	Karnataka	70514726	4074788	4033955	40312
17	Kerala	48886407	6831624	6758479	71590
18	Ladakh	441782	29425	29194	231
19	Lakshadweep	307998	11415	11363	52
20	Madhya Pradesh	25988976	1054993	1044184	10777
21	Maharashtra	84210166	8138437	7989462	148424
22	Manipur	1609603	139924	137775	2149
23	Meghalaya	1340106	96788	95163	1625
24	Mizoram	1856879	238969	238240	726
25	Nagaland	304697	35988	35206	782
26	Odisha	3393567	1336721	1327439	9205
27	Puducherry	16,34135	175894	173883	1975
28	Punjab	21041950	784511	765177	19289
29	Rajasthan	18702381	1315657	1305964	9656
30	Sikkim	192955	44328	43825	500
31	Tamil Nadu	67338436	3595238	3556953	38050
32	Telangana	28267783	842006	837682	4111
33	Tripura	2598456	108034	107094	940
34	Uttarakhand	10239811	449495	441735	7753
35	Uttar Pradesh	1,6684349	2128240	2104561	23648
36	West Bengal	26616817	2118869	2097299	21533