

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3994
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19TH MARCH, 2021**

COVID-19 VACCINATION IN ASSAM

3994. SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH:

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

- (a) the salient features of the vaccine being used to combat the COVID-19 within Assam;
- (b) the number of districts covered so far within Assam under this vaccination process; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government for remote/inaccessible areas under this mission within Assam?

ANSWER

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

- (a): Two vaccines, namely Covishield manufactured by M/s Serum Institute of India and Covaxin manufactured by M/s Bharat Biotech International Limited, that have been granted permission for restricted use in emergency situation by the National Regulator i.e. Drugs Controller General of India [DCG(I)] are being used under the programme in Assam.
- (b): All districts of Assam are covered under COVID-19 vaccination drive.
- (c): As per the COVID-19 Vaccines Operational Guidelines, for remote areas, sessions can be organized for lesser number of beneficiaries ensuring no vaccine wastage, provision of special mobile teams, concurrent monitoring to be prioritised in such areas and other strategies as per the local context.