

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 704
TO BE ANSWERED ON 5TH February, 2021**

PRICING OF COVID VACCINES

**704. DR. MOHAMMAD JAWED:
SHRI SUBRAT PATHAK:
SHRI RAVI KISHAN:
SHRI BALUBHAU ALIAS SURESH NARAYAN DHANORKAR:
SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:
SHRI NAYAB SINGH:
SHRI SUBBARAYAN K.:
DR. RAM SHANKAR KATHERIA:**

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to make the Corona Vaccine easily available to the entire population, if so, the steps taken in this regard and the price at which it is likely to be provided to the common man;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to purchase Corona Vaccine at a nominal cost and provide the same to States/UTs, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the rate per vaccine would be uniform for all States/UTs including Bihar,
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the number of vaccinations carried out as on date?

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

(a) to (d): The roll-out of COVID-19 vaccine in the country is being done in a phased manner to the population groups prioritized by National Expert Group on Vaccine Administration for COVID-19 (NEGVAC). The first phase of vaccination of priority groups of Health Care Workers and Front Line Workers is being carried out with COVID-19 vaccine supplied free of cost to States/UTs, including Bihar, by Government of India. Persons aged 50 years and above comprise the subsequent group for vaccination, as per the prioritization recommendation of NEGVAC.

(e): As on 02nd February 2021, a total of 41.38 lakh vaccinations have been carried out across India.