

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1429
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.07.2021**

GREEN PASS

1429. DR. T. SUMATHY (a) THAMIZHACHI THANGAPANDIAN:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government had conveyed to the EU Member States that it will adopt a policy of reciprocity and exempt European Nationals holding the 'Green Pass' from mandatory quarantine in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the list of foreign countries and EU Member States which so far is not recognizing Covaxin and Covishield vaccines;
- (c) the effective steps taken by the Government to stop Covid variants percolating into the country through foreign nationals and travellers from abroad;
- (d) whether the Government is keeping its medical fraternity, infrastructure and machineries ready to combat in case of any third wave; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the effective precautionary measures taken by the Government to face such tough situation?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

[SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN]

(a) In view of the decision of the European Union on Green Pass, the Government has conveyed to the EU Member States about its policy of reciprocity on recognition of vaccination certificates for ease of travel restrictions.

(b) So far 17 EU Member States (Austria, France, Belgium, Bulgaria, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Latvia, Malta, Netherlands, Slovenia, Spain, and Sweden) and Switzerland have recognized Covishield as a vaccine for ease of travel restrictions. Estonia also recognized Covaxin for the same.

(c) Guidelines issued by Ministry of Health & Family Welfare for international arrivals are available at the link <https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/Guidelinesforinternationalarrivals17022021.pdf>

(d) & (e) Various guidelines issued by Ministry of Health & Family Welfare are available at the links

<https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/PostersonvaccinationofpregnantwomenEnglish.pdf>

<https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/CounsellingbookletforFLWsEnglish.pdf>

<https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/OperationalGuidanceforCOVID19vaccinationofPregnantWoman.pdf>

<https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/YouthGuidebookonCAB&VaccinationEnglish.pdf>

<https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/GuidelinesforManagementofCOVID19inCHILDREN18June2021final.pdf>

<https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/GuidelinesonOperationalizationofCoVIDCareServicesforChildrenandAdolescents14062021.pdf>
