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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1098 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 03RD DECEMBER, 2021

COVID-19 VACCINATION FOR DISABLED PERSONS

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

- (a) the number of people with disabilities vaccinated for the 1st dose against COVID-19 and both the doses of the vaccine(s);
- (b) the number of people with disabilities deceased due to COVID-19;
- (c) whether any notification has been issued to vaccinate people with disabilities on a priority basis;
- (d) if so, the detail thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e) As on 30th November 2021, as per CoWIN portal, 8,455 People with Disabilities received first dose of COVID-19 and 4,120 received both doses of COVID-19 vaccine.

As on 30th November 2021, a total of 4,68,980 deaths due to Covid-19 (including People with Disabilities) have been reported by States/UTs.

Government of India has issued advisory to all States/UTs for Near-to-Home COVID-19 Vaccination Centre (NHCVC) for elderly and differently abled citizens in May 2021. Subsequently, in September 2021, advisory was issued to all States/UTs for vaccination at the place of residence of persons who might be bed-ridden or have extremely restricted mobility or disability and/or special needs that may hamper their accessibility even to NHCVCs. From 3rd November 2021 "Har Ghar Dastak Abhiyan" has been launched wherein missed beneficiaries for 1st dose and due beneficiaries for 2nd dose are identified and vaccinated through house to house activity.
