

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 794  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.07.2024**

**INTEGRATED VACCINE COMPLEX**

**794. SHRI RAJA RAM SINGH:**

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

- (a) the production status of the public sector state-of-art vaccine manufacturing facility, Integrated Vaccine Complex in Chengalpattu, Chennai
- (b) whether the Government had considered Integrated Vaccine Complex in Chengalpattu for production of COVID-19 vaccines in India during the COVID pandemic period and if so, the details thereof and if not, reasons therefor;
- (c) the step taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to strengthen the Integrated Vaccine Complex in Chengalpattu to boost the country's immunisation program; and
- (d) whether the Government has any roadmap to increase public sector vaccine production in the country and if so, the details thereof and if not, reasons therefor?

**ANSWER  
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE  
(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)**

**(a)** : The Government of India had approved for setting up of an Integrated Vaccine Complex (IVC) Project, HLL Biotech Ltd., (HBL) at Chengalpattu in May 2012. However, the Project could not be implemented within the stipulated time and resulted in its cost escalation considerably. Efforts were also made to explore various options for operationalizing HBL for vaccine manufacture but no concrete result were found.

**(b) & (c)** : MoHFW took several steps to operationalize the Plant and an Expression of Interest was floated to find the strategic partners for operationalization of IVC in February,2021. On 26th March 2021, an e-tender cum Auction was published for selection of user for use of HBL facilities on "as is where is" basis for production of Covid vaccines. However, though a few companies initially showed interest, but they did not participate in the bidding process.

**(d)** : The existing annual installed capacity of production of DPT Group of vaccines in the Pasteur Institute of India (PII), Coonoor, an autonomous body under Ministry, is being increased from 85 Million Doses to 130 million doses. Further, the GoI has allotted a land measuring 30 acres from the MoHUA for establishment of a new Viral Vaccine Manufacturing Unit at Coimbatore.

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