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

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1711 TO BE ANSWERED ON 9<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2021

## **COMPLETION OF COVID -19 VACCINATION DRIVE**

### 1711 SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA:

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

- (a) whether there is a plan regarding the completion of COVID-19 vaccination for the country, if so, the details thereof and
- (b) the details of States with most successful vaccination drives and by when the first round of vaccination is expected to be completed?

#### **ANSWER**

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

- (a): The COVID-19 Vaccination is an ongoing and dynamic process which is being expanded to include beneficiary groups as prioritized by National Expert Group on Vaccine Administration for COVID-19 (NEGVAC). In view of dynamic nature of COVID-19 pandemic and inclusion of new priority groups, no specific time frame can be indicated at present, for completion of vaccination.
- (b): As on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2021, a total of 9 States/UTs have administered 1<sup>st</sup> dose of COVID-19 vaccine to more than 90% of the registered Health Care Workers, these are Ladakh, Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Jharkhand, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha & Lakshadweep. Similarly 9 States/UTs have administered 1<sup>st</sup> dose to more than 70% of the registered Front Line Workers, these are Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Lakshadweep, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Tripura, Odisha, Himachal Pradesh and Chhattisgarh.

The first round of vaccination for these two category is expected to be completed by 6th March 2021.