

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.238
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20TH JULY, 2021**

PRICE FIXATION OF BHARAT BIOTECH'S COVAXIN

238 SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY:

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

- (a) the reaction of Government on the statement of Bharat Biotech that vaccine dose priced at ₹150 is not sustainable
- (b) whether it is seeking higher price for private players if it wants to sell vaccine at ₹150 per dose and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

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

(a) to (c): The price of Covid-19 vaccine is fixed after due deliberations with vaccine manufacturers. In order to incentivize production by vaccine manufacturers and encourage new vaccines, domestic vaccine manufacturers are given the option to also provide vaccines directly to private hospitals. This is restricted to 25% of their monthly production. For this 25%, vaccine manufacturers charge a higher price. For example Bharat Biotech has announced a price of Rs.1200 per dose for private hospitals.