

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

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1053  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2021**

**CELEBRATIONS ON ADMINISTRATION OF 100 CRORE COVID-19 VACCINE DOSES**

**1053. SHRI K.C. VENUGOPAL:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has organized celebrations on the administration of 100 crore COVID-19 vaccine doses;
- (b) if so, the amount of expenses incurred for various programmes and advertisement done on these celebrations;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that it could have been achieved few months earlier also if Government arranged vaccines for the people on time; and
- (d) if so, the reasons for delay in ordering vaccines?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) to (d) Government of India commemorated the historic milestone of administration of 100 crore COVID-19 vaccine doses. An amount of INR 25,00,000 was issued to Bureau of Outreach and Communication (BOC), Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, for displaying banners/hoardings of India achieving this landmark of 100 crore vaccination at prominent locations.

There have been no delay in placing orders with domestic vaccine manufacturers rather advance orders of vaccines have been placed with M/s Serum Institute of India and M/s Bharat Biotech for supply of COVID-19 vaccines. The availability of vaccines has not been a constraint for implementation of National COVID-19 Vaccination Programme and the milestone of 100 crore vaccinations has been achieved in shortest possible time, well ahead of most of the countries in the world.