



## **Private Sector Participation is being Scaled Up in COVID Vaccination**

**Around 10,000 hospitals under Ayushman Bharat-PMJAY and 687 hospitals under CGHS can be used by States as COVID Vaccination Centres (CVCs)**

**States also given freedom to use all Private Hospitals empanelled under State Government Health Insurance Schemes as CVCs**

**States can also use Health Facilities of all PSUs and all Government Health Facilities as CVCs**

**Private Hospitals functioning as CVCs may recover a charge subject to a ceiling of Rs. 250 per person per dose**

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Shri Rajesh Bhushan, Union Health Secretary today interacted with Health Secretaries and MDs (NHM) of States and UTs on the vaccination of age-appropriate groups through a video conference (VC) today.

The nationwide COVID-19 Vaccination drive was launched on 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2021. From this date onwards, Health Care Workers (HCWs) were given the first dose of the COVID vaccine while Front Line Workers (FLWs) were included from 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2021. So far, more than 1.5 core vaccinations have been done.

This nationwide vaccination program is now to be exponentially expanded to the following age-groups from 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2021:

i) all citizens above 60 years of age, and



ii) those within the age bracket of 45 to 59 years with specified co-morbidities

To ramp up the COVID vaccination capacity manifold, significantly large number of private facilities is being involving. Around 10,000 private hospitals empanelled under Ayushman Bharat PMJAY, more than 600 hospitals empanelled under CGHS and other private hospitals empanelled under State Govts. Health Insurance Schemes can participate as COVID Vaccination Centers (CVCs). Health Departments of State Governments have already initiated dialogue with these private hospitals so that they can be encouraged to participate in this drive as CVCs. A list of all these private hospitals has been uploaded on the website of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and National Health Authority. These can be accessed at:

a) <https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/CGHSEmphospitals.xlsx>

b) <https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/PMJAYPRIVATEHOSPITALSCONSOLIDATED.xlsx>

In addition, there would be Govt. health facilities which will be used as CVCs such as medical college hospitals, district hospitals, sub divisional hospitals, CHCs, PHCs, Health Sub Centers and Health and Wellness Centers. Geo reference maps with GPS coordinates of all these health facilities have been prepared that will serve as CVCs and these Geo referenced maps are being shared with the States.

The Government COVID Vaccination Centers will offer free vaccination for all with the Central Government bearing the full cost of the vaccination.

All the private health facilities which will serve as Government COVID Vaccination Centers must follow strict norms of due process, quality and safety including integration with the National Co-Win technology platform. All private health facilities must also have adequate space, adequate cold chain arrangements, adequate number of vaccinators and support staff and adequate arrangements for addressing Adverse Event Following Immunization (AEFI).

States were explained the 3 (three) methods of registration i.e. Advance Self Registration, Onsite Registration and Facilitated Cohort Registration.

States have been explained that the private hospitals functioning as CVCs can charge subject to a ceiling of Rs. 250 per person per dose along with the electronic and financial management mechanism in this regard. User Names and Passwords to be provided to the private facilities to facilitate effective use of CoWIN 2.0, were also discussed during the meeting.

In addition, mapping of private facilities with the nearest cold chain points to ensure seamless flow of vaccines to them was explained to the States.

The simplified system of certifying people with 20 co-morbidities within the 45-59 years age group was also explained to the States. The simplified one page certificate to be signed by any registered medical practitioner is at annexure-1. The certificate can either



be uploaded on Co-WIN2.0 by the beneficiary while self registering or a hard copy can be carried by the beneficiary to the CVC.

**Certificate to identify individuals with co-morbidities that enhance the risk of mortality in COVID-19 disease for priority vaccination**

**To be filled by a Registered Medical Practitioner**

Name of beneficiary:

Age:

Gender:

Address:

Mobile phone number:

Identification document:

I, Dr \_\_\_\_\_, working as \_\_\_\_\_ have reviewed the above named individual and certify that he/she has the below mentioned conditions based on the records presented to me. A copy of the records on which this certificate is based is attached.

Presence of **ANY ONE** of the following criteria will prioritize the individual for vaccination

SN	Criterion	Yes/No
1.	Heart Failure with hospital admission in past one year	
2.	Post Cardiac Transplant/Left Ventricular Assist Device (LVAD)	
3.	Significant Left ventricular systolic dysfunction (LVEF <40%)	
4.	Moderate or Severe Valvular Heart Disease	
5.	Congenital heart disease with severe PAH or Idiopathic PAH	
6.	Coronary Artery Disease with past CABG/PTCA/MI AND Hypertension/Diabetes on treatment	
7.	Angina AND Hypertension/Diabetes on treatment	
8.	CT/MRI documented stroke AND Hypertension/Diabetes on treatment	
9.	Pulmonary artery hypertension AND Hypertension/Diabetes on treatment	
10.	Diabetes (> 10 years OR with complications) AND Hypertension on treatment	
11.	Kidney/ Liver/ Hematopoietic stem cell transplant: Recipient/On wait-list	
12.	End Stage Kidney Disease on haemodialysis/ CAPD	
13.	Current prolonged use of oral corticosteroids/ immunosuppressant medications	
14.	Decompensated cirrhosis	
15.	Severe respiratory disease with hospitalizations in last two years/FEV1 <50%	
16.	Lymphoma/ Leukaemia/ Myeloma	
17.	Diagnosis of any solid cancer on or after 1st July 2020 OR currently on any cancer therapy	
18.	Sickle Cell Disease/ Bone marrow failure/ Aplastic Anemia/ Thalassemia Major	
19.	Primary Immunodeficiency Diseases/ HIV infection	
20.	Persons with disabilities due to Intellectual disabilities/ Muscular Dystrophy/ Acid attack with involvement of respiratory system/ Persons with disabilities having high support needs/ Multiple disabilities including deaf-blindness	

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Name and Signature of RMP with Medical Council registration number

Date:



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