Export of Vaccine to other Nations

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A sub-Group of the National Expert Group on Vaccine Administration for COVID-19 was constituted to consider all matters related to vaccine export of COVID-19 vaccines and take necessary decisions with due regard to domestic production and ensuring adequate availability for the national vaccine programme for COVID-19. This Sub-Group closely monitors the supplies.

External supplies of Made-in-India COVID19 vaccines started w.e.f. 20.01.2021. Supplies have been undertaken in the form of "Grants-in-aid", commercial sales by the manufacturers and through GAVI's COVAX facility. GAVI's COVAX facility has more than 190 members including India. Country-wise details for supply of vaccines till 17 March 2021 are enclosed. More than 7.47 crore vaccine doses have been supplied to Stats/UTs within the country so far.

Once an epidemic takes form of a pandemic, its management has to be done keeping the entire globe as unit and in most circumstances, it is not possible to take either States-specific or country-specific approach. Hence, export of COVID-19 vaccine which facilitates global action to vaccination is important to simultaneously protect the high-risk population in all the countries of the world, thereby breaking the chain of transmission and minimizing chances of import of COVID-19 cases from foreign countries as well as neighbouring countries to India.

Low/middle income Countries as well as nations with limited access to pharmaceutical technologies are at debilitating disadvantages in dealing with the pandemic. To this end, Govt. of India has allowed only limited export of vaccines while according highest priority to domestic needs.

Supplies till 17 March 2021 (In lakhs)						
Sl. No.	Country	Grant	Commercial	COVAX	Total Supplies	
		Quantity	Quantity	Quantity		
1	Bangladesh	20	70		90	
2	Myanmar	17	20		37	
3	Nepal	10	10	3.48	23.48	
4	Bhutan	1.5		0.24	1.74	
5	Maldives	2		0.12	2.12	
6	Mauritius	1	1		2	
7	Seychelles	0.5			0.5	
8	Sri Lanka	5	5	2.64	12.64	
9	Bahrain	1			1	
10	Brazil		40		40	
11	Morocco		70		70	
12	Oman	1			1	
13	Egypt		0.5		0.5	
14	Algeria		0.5		0.5	
15	South Africa		10		10	

16	Kuwait		2		2
17	UAE		2		2
18	Afghanistan	5		4.68	9.68
19	Barbados	1			1
20	Dominica	0.7			0.7
21	Mexico		8.7		8.7
22	Dominican Republic	0.3	0.2		0.5
23	Saudi Arabia		30		30
24	El Salvador		0.2		0.2
25	Argentina		5.8		5.8
26	Serbia		1.5		1.5
27	UN Health workers		1		1
28	Mongolia	1.5			1.5
29	Ukraine		5		5
30	Ghana	0.5	0.02	6	6.52
31	Ivory Coast	0.5		5.04	5.54
32	St. Lucia	0.25			0.25
33	St. Kitts & Nevis	0.2			0.2
34	St. Vincent & Grenadines	0.4			0.4
35	Suriname	0.5			0.5
36	Antigua & Barbuda	0.4			0.4
37	DR Congo	0.5		17.16	17.66
38	Angola			6.24	6.24
39	Gambia			0.36	0.36
40	Nigeria			39.24	39.24
41	Cambodia			3.24	3.24
42	Kenya	1		10.20	11.2
43	Lesotho			0.36	0.36
44	Rwanda	0.5		2.40	2.9
45	Sao Tome & Principe			0.24	0.24
46	Senegal	0.25		3.24	3.49
47	Guatemala	2			2
48	Canada		5.00		5
49	Mali			3.96	3.96
50	Sudan			8.28	8.28

51	Liberia			0.96	0.96
52	Malawi	0.5		3.60	4.1
53	Uganda	1.00		8.64	9.64
54	Nicaragua	2.00		1.35	3.35
55	Guyana	0.8			0.8
56	Jamaica	0.50			0.50
57	UK		50		50.00
58	Togo			1.56	1.56
59	Djibouti			0.24	0.24
60	Somalia			3.00	3.00
61	Seirra Leone			0.96	0.96
62	Belize	0.25			0.25
63	Botswana	0.30			0.30
64	Mozambique	1.00		3.84	4.84
65	Ethiopia			21.84	21.84
66	Tajikistan			1.92	1.92
67	Benin			1.44	1.44
68	Eswatini	0.20		0.12	0.32
69	Bahamas	0.20			0.20
70	Cape Verde			0.24	0.24
71	Iran		1.25		1.25
72	Uzbekistan			6.60	6.60
73	Solomon Islands			0.24	0.24
74	Laos			1.32	1.32
Total		81.25	339.67	174.99	595.91

The Minister of State (Health and Family Welfare), Sh. Ashwini Kumar Choubey stated this in a written reply in the Rajya Sabha here today.

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