

Joint Statement on Safety and Efficacy of COVID-19 Vaccine

**(Signed by 111 Doctors
from across the country)**

The very understanding of the microbe and its role in human sickness (by the mainstream medical system) should be questioned in general and specifically in case of COVID-19, as we now know that according to CDC-USA, people who wore masks suffered from COVID-19 20 times (2000%) more than the people who did not wear a mask. Further, the fatality rate of just 0.1% in COVID-19 (comparable to Flu) does not warrant any special precaution including vaccination.

Q1. Does the vaccine qualify the “Gold standard” of epidemiologic studies, the Randomized Double Blind Placebo Control (RDBPC) Studies?

Answer: As of now it is safe to believe that no Randomized Double Blind Placebo Control (RDBPC) studies have taken place till they are published in peer reviewed medical journal.

Q2. In India, Astra Zeneca got approval to launch COVID-19 vaccine (Covishield). Can we rely on the data about the safety of vaccines provided by Astra Zeneca?

Answer: In the past, Astra Zeneca has been guilty of giving wrong data at least 12 times, amounting to a penalty of about \$617241159 which is equal to INR 45,05,86,04,607 (Forty-five hundred crore, eighty-six lakh, four thousand six hundred seven rupees).

The above data shows that the efficacy and safety of Astra Zeneca vaccine cannot be trusted.

Q3. Can we rule out the long-term side effects of COVID-19 vaccine such as Infertility, Paralysis, Neurological disorder and death?

Answer: The vaccine has not been tested for its long-term effects so the above side effects cannot be ruled out.

Q4. As the vaccination drive has already started in the US and the UK, what is the rate of side effects?

Answer: As on December 18, 2020, CDC - USA reported that out of 1,12807 vaccinated participants, 3,150 participants would not be able to perform normal daily activities and would require care from the doctor.

Q5. Is the COVID-19 vaccine safe for people allergic to any food/medicine etc.?

Answer: COVID-19 vaccine is known to cause allergic reactions in certain people and may even cause Paralysis and death. The Government of UK has recommended avoiding the vaccine if you are allergic to any type of food or medicine. Remember each of us can be allergic to some medicine or food.

Q6. For how long will the vaccine be effective?

Answer: Based on the present evidences, the best estimate for the effectiveness of vaccine is maximum two months.

Q7. Since the animal product (Fetal Bovine Serum- FBS) is used in the COVID-19 vaccine, has any technology or screening method been used to rule out the accidental jump of new virus from animals to humans through this vaccine?

Answer: Presently, there is no fool proof screening method available (with the science) to exclude any previously unknown virus from entering into the new vaccine.

Only when millions of people take the vaccine and remain healthy (without having any unexpected adverse reaction) for about 5 years, it will be safe to assume that the vaccine is free of any unknown/new virus.

Q8. In India, if a person gets adverse life-threatening side effects due to COVID 19 vaccine, is there any compensation from the Vaccine Company or the Government of India?

Answer: In UK, about an equivalent of INR 1,20,000,00 is given to the patients injured through the vaccine. In USA also, there is Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) through which vaccine injured patients are compensated. In 2020, an equivalent of about INR 2000 crore was distributed to vaccine injured people. In India, however there is no such provision, which means Indians can go ahead vaccinating themselves at their own risk.

Q9. Will this COVID-19 vaccine protect against the new variant of SARS-CoV-2?

Answer: There is no evidence to prove the efficacy of COVID-19 vaccine on the new variant SARS-CoV-2. Till then, it is safe to assume that COVID-19 vaccine will not protect against the new SARS-CoV-2 variant/strain.

Q10. Will I be free of the mask and social distancing guidelines, once I vaccinate myself with COVID-19 vaccine?

Answer: No, vaccinating is like voluntarily infecting yourself with the SARS-CoV-2 virus with the hope that it will help the body to produce antibodies against it.

In fact, all vaccinated persons should quarantine themselves for 14 days in the same way as when someone catches infection naturally.

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