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Subject: Examination of the subject "Vaccine Development, Distribution Management and Mitigation of Pandemic Covid-19" by the DRSC on Health & Family Welfare

Madam,

I am directed to state that the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Health and Family Welfare is presently examining the subject "Vaccine Development, Distribution Management and Mitigation of Pandemic Covid-19". In this connection, the Committee has decided to seek your views/opinions on the said subject in general and the points enumerated below in particular:-

- (i) Efficacy of the vaccines against Omicron and mutated newer strains;
- (ii) Need of administering Booster doses in the country;
- (iii) Need of vaccination for children and teenagers ;
- (iv) Role of Genome sequencing/biogenetics/Artificial intelligence in mitigating covid-19 and containing other viral diseases in future;
- (v) Challenges/Concerns in the wake of Omicron and newer more transmissible variants;
- (vi) Strategy to be adopted for minimizing the possibility of subsequent covid waves;
- (vii) Assessment/Status of Testing infrastructure in the country;
- (viii) Waning of immunity against Covid among the general population ;
- (ix) Evaluation/Effectiveness of the vaccination drive in the country;
- (x) Effectiveness of the present Covid containment policy of the Government;
- (xi) Challenges/Loopholes/Shortcomings in the vaccination programme;
- (xii) Learning/experience to be considered for mitigation of the pandemic;
- (xiii) Interventions needed in the Health Sector; and
- (xiv) Any other relevant and incidental issues relating to the subject.

2. You are requested to furnish your written submissions/suggestions, along with soft copy thereof, **latest by 22nd December, 2021** for consideration of the Committee.

Yours sincerely



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