### **Guidelines for Covid-19 Vaccine**

# <u>Gam-COVID-Vac Combined Vector Vaccine (S-putnik V) vaccination Campaign</u> (guideline update by 29/05/2021)

Different types of COVID-19 vaccines which are scientifically proven to be effective and safe are introduced through the National Immunization Programme to get the maximum effect of preventing the COVID-19 transmission, severe morbidity and mortality in the country.

- "Gam-COVID-Vac" Combined Vector Vaccine against the coronavirus infection caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus is identified as "S-putnik V".
- > The vaccine is a frozen solution of a dense, solidified mass, whitish in colour.
- After thawing, it comes to a homogenous solution, colorless or with a yellowish hue, that is slightly opalescent solution.
- > Vaccine is given as intramuscular (IM) administration
- Vaccine is given as a 2-dose schedule with minimum of 4 weeks interval (can be given in 3-12 weeks interval).
- Vaccine is identified as 2 different components for 2 doses as Component I for the 1<sup>st</sup> dose and Component II for the 2<sup>nd</sup> dose.
- Component I: There shall be recombinant human adenovirus -26 (HAdV-26) hexon gene and SARS-CoV-2 S glycoprotein gene. This will cause formation of SARS-CoV-2 S glycoprotein-specific antibodies.
  - <u>Excipients</u>: tris-(hydroxymethyl) aminomethane-1.21mg, sodium chloride-2.19mg, sucrose-25.0mg, magnesium chloride hexahydrate-102μg, EDTAdisodium salt dihydrate-19.0 μg, polysorbate 80-250 μg, ethanol 95%-2.5 μl, water for injections up to 0.5ml
- Component II: There shall be recombinant human adenovirus -5 (HAdV-5) hexon gene and SARS-CoV-2 S glycoprotein gene. This will cause formation of SARS-CoV-2 S glycoprotein-specific antibodies.
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- The product available at the moment: component I 0.5 ml/dose, single dose ampule, component II 0.5 ml/dose, single dose ampule.
- > Need to store at temperature  $-18^{\circ}$ C or below
- > After thawing need to use within 2 hours. Should not re-freeze after thawing.

# Target group:

Target groups to be vaccinated will be informed by the Ministry of Health as with the vaccine supply and considering the epidemiological assessment for the best impact for prevention of transmission and prevention of the mortality.

This product can be used for people aged 18 years old and above, but the vaccination category and the age will be informed by the Epidemiology Unit, Ministry of Health after the final decision by the higher authorities of the Ministry of Health.

# Vaccine stock requirement:

Number of vaccine doses and number vaccinated will be the same number as the vaccine product available (at present) is the single dose ampule presentation.

<u>Method of Administration</u>: The recommended administration is through intramuscular route (IM), preferably to the upper part of the left arm.

Active composition: composition of the Component I and Component II are given above.

**Dosage schedule**: recommend to vaccinate with 2 doses (each of 0.5 ml per dose) into the deltoid muscle (preferably left side), at 4 weeks interval (vaccination interval between the 2 doses can be 3 to 12 weeks).

With the evolving global situation of vaccine manufacturing and supply there is a possibility of not receiving the Component II and advised to inform the recipient that they will be informed if the Component II will be received.

Advised not to indicate a date for a 2<sup>nd</sup> dose and keep registration notes and contact details at each vaccination centre securely to inform the clients to visit for a 2<sup>nd</sup> dose as be informed with further details and evidence.

### **Storage**

- store at temperature of  $-18^{\circ}$ C (minus eighteen degrees centigrade) or below
- The vaccine is heat and light sensitive and should not expose to high temperature at any time.
- After thawing the vaccine, it should be used within 2 hours and should not re-freeze.

### Preparation of the vaccine before vaccination:

- Take the ampule from the freezer. (current product presentation is 0.5 ml single dose ampule as 5 numbers of ampules included in one pack)
- > Leave at room temperature till completely thawed.
- > Don't use ice to keep the ampule outside.
- Stir the contents of the ampule carefully after thawed. Don't shake the ampule contents vigorously.
- Opened single dose ampules should not store under any circumstances and should use immediately to vaccinate.
- > Refreezing after thawing of the ampule is not allowed.

**Indication to use:** it can be given to adults over the age of 18 years. The geographic areas and population category selection should be based on the decision taken by the Ministry of Health authorities and informed by the National Immunization Programme, Epidemiology Unit, Ministry of Health.

## Not indicated to use:

- > Individuals who are allergic to any component of this product (including excipients)
- Immediate or delayed onset allergic /anaphylactic reactions after a previous dose of the same vaccine.
- Immediate or delayed onset anaphylactic or severe allergic reaction to vaccines or injectable therapies, pharmaceutical products, food-items etc
- Pregnancy (reason: due to unavailability of clinical trial data. Further recommendations will be given in due course with adequate evidence)
- <18 years (reason: due to unavailability of clinical trial data. Clinical trials are not done to date and once trial data is available further guidance will be issued. Some countries started adolescent vaccination based on health authority decisions of their countries and also with vaccine availability for the prevention of transmission considering the high-risk status and with the exposure vulnerability).

# Special precautions: following conditions to be considered before intramuscular injection

- Should take caution in persons with a history of any bleeding or coagulation disorders (e.g. clotting factor deficiency, coagulopathy, platelet disorders). Need to get specialized opinion of the disease condition before vaccination.
- Chronic liver and kidney diseases, endocrine disorders (apparent thyroid function abnormalities and diabetes mellitus in decompensation stage), serious diseases of the hematopoietic system, epilepsy and other CNS diseases, acute coronary syndrome and acute cerebrovascular event, myocarditis, endocarditis, pericarditis (can be given with caution <u>only</u> if the treating clinician or a Consultant Physician/ emergency care Physician assessed the individual and recommended vaccinating under his/her care).
- Due to lack of data not indicated for persons with:
  - autoimmune diseases (stimulation of the immune system can lead to an exacerbation of the disease, special caution should be exercised with patients with an autoimmune disorder that tend to lead to severe and life-threatening conditions)
  - o malignant neoplasms

(decision to vaccinate for any person not indicated for vaccination or special precautions should be based on the proper risk-benefit assessment by the treating physician or by the recommendations of an expert from the relevant speciality under his/her guidance).

**Temporary postponement of vaccination:** following conditions are required temporary postponement of the vaccination (vaccination should be postponed for 4-8 weeks)

- Any signs and symptoms suggestive of acute SARS-CoV 2 infection or suffering from any other acute illness who are not fit for the vaccination.
- Already diagnosed SARS-CoV 2 patient who have received anti-CoV 2 monoclonal antibodies or convalescent plasma as a treatment option.

# Following conditions are not contraindications for vaccination

- Persons with a past history of SARS-CoV 2 infection (by patient history, RT PCR positive report or sero positivity) : vaccination should be done irrespective of the previous COVID-19 disease conditions (COVID-19 confirmed cases can be vaccinated 2 weeks after the recovery)
- Immune-deficiency, HIV, patients on immune-suppression due to any conditions. However, immune response may be less in these patient categories.
- Lactation (at any time including post-partum period) : stop or delaying of breast feeding before or after vaccination is not required.

# Adverse events

- Short term general: Chills, fever, arthralgia, myalgia, asthenia, general discomfort, headache
- > Local: injection site tenderness, hyperaemia, swelling
- Less common: nausea, dyspepsia, loss of appetite,
- Occasionally: enlarged regional lymph nodes

# **Other logistic requirements**

- > 0.5ml AD syringes (number equal to number of doses estimated)
- Adequate cotton swabs
- Sharp disposal safety boxes (1 standard box =10 L, can hold 100 syringes with needles)
   Estimated number of AD syringes /100 = required number of safety boxes
- Emergency tray and portable oxygen cylinders with essential items in the emergency tray (to attend immediate Adverse Events Following Immunization (AEFI) as with National guidelines should be available in all immunization clinic centres).

### Implementation of the vaccination and Immunization clinic functioning

- The campaign mode vaccination for 1<sup>st</sup> round and 2<sup>nd</sup> round of vaccination as with the identified categories and dates informed by the Epidemiology Unit, Ministry of Health as with the evolving requirement of the country for the best impact.
- The vaccination data should be updated on the same day to the National Immunization Programme, Epidemiology Unit, Ministry of Health.
- Vaccine stock request from the RMSD needs to be done by using the Monthly Stock Return of Vaccine and Injection Safety Devices (Annexure 1)
- Vaccine stocks received to the institution are required to be entered into the existing Vaccine/drugs stock ledger in the institution and into the existing MOH office-Vaccine Movement Register (Blue colour book) (format: Annexure 2)
- Vaccine stock request to the clinic, should be based on the existing Clinic-Vaccine Movement Register (Yellow colour book) (format :Annexure 3)
- At the end of the clinic session, if any remaining vials (freeze, unthawed) returned from the clinic, needs to be stored separately in the recommended freezing temperature.

(vaccines will be sent in freezer trucks and required return to the same truck to return to freezer rooms)

- At the end of the clinic session, Vaccine Movement Registers need to be balanced, and Immunization Clinic Returns need to be completed and sent to the Regional Epidemiologist (Annexure 8)
- After the 2<sup>nd</sup> dose of the campaign the Monthly Stock Return of Vaccine and Injection Safety Devices Vaccine Stock Return need to be completed to request required stocks (Annexure 1)
- Vaccine stocks should not keep in any of the institutional refrigerators after the campaign and should return to the freezer truck to store at freezer rooms.
- All clinic centres vaccinating is advised to ready in attending AEFI emergencies and be ready with "emergency tray" to attend any AEFI emergencies.
- Conducting immunization clinics can be done adhering to National guidelines of vaccination under the guidance and supervision by the immunization supervisory health teams from the RDHS/PDHS/ Epidemiology Unit / teams from the Ministry of Health.
- Vaccination clinics should function with adequate human resource to ensure smooth functioning of the clinic.
- Volunteer support can be obtained for services outside the clinic for crowd control, guiding for information and targeted advices for the vaccination in improving the campaign efficiency.
- > Take measures to prevent unnecessary gatherings of the crowd in and around the vaccination clinic.
- All precautionary measures need to be taken by the vaccination teams and supporting individuals to the clinic during the clinic sessions in prevention of possible COVID-19 transmission.
- Clinic setting should arrange as 1) waiting area 2) eligibility screening with consent to vaccinate 3) registration and issuing the vaccination card 4) marking of a tally sheet, vaccination and next appointment date 5) AEFI observation area
- Clinic station arrangement should be organized in a way that minimum time wasting at different stations to get the maximum efficiency in the clinic
- Immunization Clinic registration format (Annexure 4) is provided and photocopied sheets of the format can be used for the registration or the printed register provided to identify eligible population can be used for the registration of the vaccination during the session.
- In addition to this, ensure proper registration data is entered into the Electronic webbased person information registration system developed by the Ministry of Health.
- All registration formats / Vaccination Registers should be duly filed in the institution for future review requirements, next dose reminders and if any other official requirements.
- The same Register / Register format used can be utilized for the 2<sup>nd</sup> dose vaccination or a fresh Register format can be used for the 2<sup>nd</sup> dose for the convenience. But, ask about the initial dose (1<sup>st</sup> dose) from the history (H) or check from the "Vaccination card" (C) to ensure completeness of the vaccination.

- Mark a tick at the appropriate column for the 1<sup>st</sup> dose, if information is gathered from the Immunization card as <u>"√ / C"</u> or if information is gathered from the history as <u>"√ / H"</u>.
- It is not advisable to interchange vaccination with different COVID-19 vaccine types (as with existing evidence so far).
  - Take measures to follow up the 2<sup>nd</sup> dose of the vaccination using the same vaccine product (component II).
- Consent form given in 3 languages should be signed at the most comfortable language for the consent to vaccination (Annexure 5)
- Previous COVID-19 positive and recovered patients should be vaccinated irrespective of the previous COVID-19 disease condition and can vaccinate 2 weeks after the recovery.
- In any doubtful cases for the eligibility, should contact a Consultant/Medical Officer in the hospital/ MOH in the area/ Regional Epidemiologist/Medical Officers-MCH/Provincial or District CCP/ Epidemiology Unit for an advice.
- Tally sheet developed for age group should be used (Annexure 6), in that age category, sex and health status should be properly completed and the summary should enter into the "e-NIP" for national administrative data and should be provided to the Epidemiology Unit/Regional Epidemiologist at the end of the day with the clinic return as required.
- After registering the person (electronic web based system-Immunization tracker- and paper based Annexure 4) and take measures to issue a "COVID-19 vaccination card"
   Annexure 7 (important to mention the name of the vaccine)
- Advice to write the vaccination card in English language in case if required for international use.
- The correct name of the vaccine needs to be entered correctly as 1<sup>st</sup> or the 2<sup>nd</sup> dose at appropriate cage. (mention as "Sputnik V").
- Advise to use 0.5ml AD syringes at all possible instances and carefully withdraw all solution in the single dose ampule.
- > The vaccine dose of 0.5 ml IM to be given to the upper arm preferably on left side.
- After vaccination, they should be observed for a minimum of 20 minutes in the clinic for immediate AEFI.
- All vaccination procedure and vaccine management in general should be in accordance with the National guidelines given in the Immunization Handbook (3<sup>rd</sup> Edition), Epidemiology Unit, Ministry of Health.
- Vaccine safety in Immunization clinics should be maintained and managed according to the circular "Initial Management of Anaphylaxis at Field level" (circular number 01-20/2001, dated 23/08/2011) and National guidelines given in the Immunization Handbook (3<sup>rd</sup> Edition), Epidemiology Unit, Ministry of Health.
- Any reported AEFI identified at the clinic need to be entered in the Clinic / Hospital AEFI Register and inform to the Epidemiology Unit, Regional Epidemiologist and MOH in the area using AEFI form I (available as carbonated 3 copies in a book: format Annexure 9). If any significant AEFI needs to be informed to the Regional Epidemiologist and to the Epidemiology Unit immediately over the phone.

- > At the end of the clinic, compile all the vaccination data and
  - complete the Immunization clinic return (Annexure 8) in two copies and send one copy to the Regional Epidemiologist and keep one copy at the institution.
  - Tally sheet summary should enter into the "eNIP" web based electronic National Immunization Programme database, together with the target number expected to be vaccinated at the end of the clinic.
- Disposal of sharps in safety boxes and waste bins should be done preferably as incineration and according to the standard accepted practices applied in the routine Immunization clinics.
- > All used vaccine vials should be incinerated.
- All vaccine stocks related data, vaccine wastage information and vaccination related data should submit to the Regional Epidemiologist in the provided Immunization clinic return (Annexure 8).

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MONTHLY STOCK RETURN OF VACCINE & INJECTION SAFETY DEVICES.

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# Clinic Vaccine Movement Register Format

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# **COVID-19 vaccination**

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I ..... have received the opportunity to ask questions, receive relevant information and clarify my doubts on COVID-19 vaccines and vaccination, given from the vaccination centre today from the health staff in the centre.

After I understand the benefits and possible rare adverse events of the COVID-19 vaccine, I have decided and consented to get the vaccination.

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Annexure 6

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### <u> උපදෙස් / அறிவுறுத்தல்கள் / Instructions</u>

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Make sure you protect this COVID-19 vaccination card

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Remember to get the next dose of the COVID-19 vaccine on due date and time as instructed by the Health staff

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#### COVID-19 එන්නත් කාඩ්පත கொவிட்-19 தடுப்பூசி அட்டை COVID-19 Vaccination card

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# **COVID-19 vaccination details**

COVID-19 vaccine	Name of the Vaccine	Place of vaccination	Date of Vaccination	Batch number	Remarks
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# **COVID-19 vaccination campaign: Immunization Clinic Return**

Vaccine name: .....

(to be completed in 2 copies by the responsible officer in the hospital /MOH office/ field clinic /other institutional clinic and return one copy to Regional Epidemiologist at the end of the clinic session and keep one as a clinic copy)

Clinic name:....

Date: .....

Date	Total estimated/actual number to be vaccinated (Target) (Number to be vaccinated from the institution / GN area/PHM area/expected number for the clinic session)	Number of vaccine doses received	Total number vaccinated (per day)	Number of vaccine doses returned	Number of doses discarded	Coverage %	Wastage %	Number of AEFI reported
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Annexure 9 AEFI Form 1

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# Notification Form for Adverse Events Following Immunization (AEFI)

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(Medical Officers who attend any patient suffering from Adverse Effects Following Immunization shall notify in this form to the Medical Officer of Health the area of the patients residence)

# Definitions of Adverse Events Following Immunization

All of the following adverse events should be reported if temporally related to immunization. Unless otherwise specified this includes all such events occurring within four weeks of a vaccine administration.

#### 1. Local Adverse Events

#### a. Injection – Site Abscesses

Occurrence of a fluctuant or draining fluid – filled lesion at the site of injection with or without fever.

**Bacterial :-** Existence of purulence, inflammatory signs, fever, positive Gram stain, positive culture, or finding of neutrophils. Predominance of content will support a bacterial site abscess, but the absence of some of these signs will not rule it out.

Sterile:- There is no evidence of bacterial infection following investigation.

#### **b. Lymphadenitis (includes Suppurative Lymphadenitis)** Occurrence of either

At least one lymph node, 1.5 cm in size (one adult finger width) or larger or a draining sinus over a lymph node.

Almost exclusively caused by BCG and occurring within 2 to 6 months after receipt of BCG and on the same side as inoculation (mostly axillary).

# c. Severe Local Reaction : Redness and/or swelling centered at the site of injection and one or more of the following:

- 1. swelling beyond the nearest joint:
- 2. pain, redness and swelling for more than 3 days duration; or
- 3. Requires hospitalization.

#### 2. Central Nervous System Adverse Events

#### a. Vaccine Associated Paralytic Poliomyelitis

Acute onset of flaccid paralysis within 4-30 days of receipt of oral poliovirus vaccine (OPV), or within 4-75 days after contact with a vaccine recipient, with neurological deficits remaining 60 days after onset, or death.

#### b. Guillan-Barre Syndrome (GBS)

Acute onset of rapidly progressive, ascending, symmetrical flaccid paralysis, without fever at onset of paralysis and with sensory loss. Cases are diagnosed by cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) investigation showing dissociation between cellular count and protein content. GBS occurring with 30 days after immunization should be reported.

#### c. Encephalopathy:

Cases occurring within 72 hours after vaccination should be reported. Encephalopathy is an acute onset of major illness temporally linked with immunization and characterized by any two of the following three conditions: Seizures; Severe alteration in level of consciousness lasting for one day or more; and distinct change in behaviour lasting one day or more.

#### d. Encephalitis:

(Any encephalitis occurring within 1 – 4 weeks following immunization should be reported). Encephalitis is characterized by the above mentioned symptoms and signs of cerebral inflammation and, in many cases, CSF pleocytosis and/or virus isolation.

#### e. Meningitis:

Acute onset of major illness with fever, neck stiffness/positive meningeal signs (Kernig, Brudzinski). Symptoms may be subtle or similar to those of encephalitis, CSF examination is the most important diagnostic measure: CSF pleocytosis and/or detection of microorganism (Gram stain or isolation).

#### f. Seizures:

Seizures lasting for several minutes to more than 15 minutes and not accompanied by focal neurological signs or symptoms. Seizures may be Febrile Seizures or Afebrile.

#### 3. Other Adverse Events requiring investigation

#### a. Anaphylactic shock:

Circulatory failure (e.g. alteration of the level of consciousness, low arterial blood pressure, weakness or absence of peripheral pulses, cold extremities secondary to reduced peripheral circulation, flushed face and increased perspiration) with or without bronchospasm and/or laryngospasm/ laryngeal edema leading to respiratory distress occurring immediately after immunization.

#### b. Persistent Screaming:

Inconsolable continuous crying lasting at least 3 hours accompanied by high-pitched screaming

# c. Hypotonic-Hypo responsive Episode (HHE) (shock collapse):-

Sudden onset of pallor or cyanosis, decreased level or loss of responsiveness, decreased level of muscle tone (occurring within 48 hours of vaccination). The episode is transient and self limiting

#### d. Osteitis/ Osteomyelitis:

Inflammation of the bone either due to BCG immunization (occurring within 8 to 16 months after immunization) or caused by other bacterial infection

#### e. Toxic-Shock Syndrome:

Abrupt onset of fever, vomiting and watery diarrhea within a few hours of immunization, often leading to death within 24-48 hours.

#### 4. Other adverse events not requiring investigation

#### a. Allergic Reaction :

- Characterized by one or more of the following:
  - 1. skin manifestations (e.g. hives, eczema);
  - 2. wheezing;
  - 3. facial or generalized oedema

**b. Arthralgia:** Persistent joint pain lasting longer than 10 days. Transient: Joint pain lasting up to approximately 10 days.

#### c. High Fever:

The Endogenous elevation of at least one measured body temperature >39  $^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$ 

#### d. Nodule at the injection site:

Presence of a discrete or well demarcated firm soft tissue mass or lump at the injection site that is sometimes referred to as a subcutaneous nodule, antigen cyst or granuloma, in the absence of abscess formation, erythema and warmth.

# 5. Other severe and unusual events occurring within 4 weeks after immunization and not covered under categories 1-4.

Any unexplained sudden death of a vaccine recipient temporally linked (with 4 weeks) to immunization, where no other clear cause of death can be established, should be reported. In addition, any unusual events should be reported.