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Government of India
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
(Central Government Health Scheme)

Dated 08.07.21

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Vaccination and RTPCR Testing facilities for Hon'ble Members of Parliament

The matter relating to Covid-19 vaccination and RTPCR testing for the Hon'ble Members of Parliament during the forthcoming Monsoon Session of Parliament (Two Hundred Fifty Fourth Session of the Rajya Sabha) has been engaging the attention of the Government for sometime past. In consultation with subject matter experts and as per the advice of ICMR (enclosed), it has now been decided that Hon'ble Members of Parliament who have received both the doses of Covid-19 Vaccine may not be subjected to RTPCR tests for attending the Sittings of the House. Similarly, those Hon'ble Members who have received one dose of Covid-19 Vaccine may also not be subjected to RTPCR tests.

However, those Hon'ble Members who have not got vaccinated so far may be advised to get themselves vaccinated on priority. Covid Vaccination facilities are available at CGHS Health Centre, Parliament House Annex and CGHS Wellness Centres at North Avenue, South Avenue and Zakir Hussain Marg. Also, till such time that they are vaccinated, the Hon'ble Members may be advised to get RTPCR tests done once in two weeks during the sittings of the House.

Encl: as above


(SANJAY JAIN)
Director

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No. Secy-(DHR)/DG, ICMR-2021

Dated, the 7th July, 2021

Dear Smt. Gurnani,

This is with reference to your DO letter no. Parl/AS&MD/01 dated 7th July, 2021 regarding the upcoming Monsoon Session of the Parliament.

Please note the following points in connection to the above and test for COVID-19:

- Parliamentarians who have already received two doses of COVID-19 vaccine need not be tested for SARS-CoV-2 infection prior to attending or during the Parliament Sessions.
- Parliamentarians who have already received one dose of COVID-19 vaccine need not be tested for SARS-CoV-2 infection prior to attending or during the Parliament Sessions.
- Parliamentarians who are yet to receive COVID-19 vaccine should immediately take their 1st dose, which would allow them to have a gap of two weeks before attending the upcoming Monsoon Session of Parliament 2021 and they subsequently need not be tested for SARS-CoV-2 infection prior to attending or during the Parliament Sessions.
- Those Parliamentarians who are unable to get vaccine against COVID-19 before attending the upcoming Monsoon Session of the Parliament 2021, require to get them tested their RTPCR for SARS-COV-2 infection prior to and also during the Parliament Sessions with a gap of two weeks in between tests.

E) Those who need to visit Parliament during the upcoming Monsoon Session 2021, need to also abide by the same principles stated above pertaining to receipt of vaccine against COVID-19 vis-à-vis RTPCR tests for SARS-CoV-2 infection without exemption.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,



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