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CLARIFICATION ISSUED IN PUBLIC INTEREST

Subject: News that counterfeit vaccines are in circulation in India

It has come to the notice of the Department of Health and Family Welfare that news regarding fake vaccines is in circulation in the media. The Government would like to inform the public at large that we have a stringent and strict protocol for transferring vaccines using the Cold Chain System.

All vaccines including COVID Vaccines are procured either from the authorized vaccine stores or directly from the manufacturers and they are brought to the State Vaccine Store accompanied by designated and authorized personnel. These are then distributed to the Cold Chain points and eventually to session sites in all the districts. These are simultaneously tracked by the eVIN (Electronic Vaccine Intelligence Network) system which can monitor these vaccines in real time. The Systems give up-to-date information on the unique batch number and their usage status.

Therefore, we assure the people that all vaccines available in Meghalaya are genuine and effective and they should not have any doubt or apprehension. It is advised that the people to kindly take your vaccination at any Government Covid Vaccination Centre or designated Private Hospitals. You may log in to www.cowin.gov.in to find out about the session sites open near you or walk in to any public health facility and get vaccinated for free. It is also urged that Citizens shall not engage in such rumours and fake news.

Sd/-

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