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APPEAL TO NURSES TO SUPPORT COVID VACCINATION PROGRAMME

India has witnessed a tremendous recovery in the war against COVID-19, with excellent response and services of the front line Covid warriors.

Nurses and health care workers in the Country have faced the challenge with great personal risks in ensuring that a robust health system is able to respond to contingencies raised by the virus at all times. Since the pandemic, many nurses have been exposed to this infection and many have made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of their duties towards their patients. We salute their constant support, determination and sacrifice. The COVID 19 vaccination drive is underway with the health care workers, as frontline workers against the pandemic, getting the vaccine shots. Both the vaccines Covishield and Covaxin are being used successfully, having been cleared for use by regulators.

Indian Nursing Council (INC) makes a twofold appeal to all Nurses and Nursing Students across the country to assist in the vaccination drive in professional way, participate actively in COVID 19 inoculation across the country and to lead by example and get vaccinated. INC urges all nurses to come out in large numbers, with whole hearted cooperation, to make the vaccine drive rolled by Government of India a huge success. We call upon State Nursing Councils and all Nursing Educational Institutions to encourage and facilitate the vaccination of the nurses and health care workers in their states. A healthy nurse will be able to assist in completing the vaccination drive widely and quickly. Nurses are needed to urge and motivate their friends, families and ultimately communities they serve and to provide correct and updated information through health education and awareness campaigns so that beneficiaries do not have irrational fears against the vaccine and get the vaccinations in timely manner.

INC appeals to all Nurses to rise to the occasion in getting vaccinated without any hesitancy not only for the personal safety but also for fulfilling their duties to society at large. We at the Indian Nursing Council stand by our nurses and will continue to work closely with the Government and all health care workers. We are confident that nursing fraternity acting together in solidarity with health care team and as per Government policies, will ensure victory of the Country over the Corona Virus pandemic.

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