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To,

Dr Sudhakar K,
Minister for Medical Education, Health & Family Welfare,
Govt of Karnataka,
Bangalore

Respected Sir,

SUB – Regarding the discrepancies in COVID vaccines that is being provided to resident doctors across Karnataka

With respect to the above subject we have received concerns from various parts of Karnataka including the following medical colleges (SIMS, HIMs, CIMS,VIMS etc) where the resident doctors are concerned that they have been given vaccine- COVAXIN, whereas other centres in Karnataka have been receiving COVISHIELD. Before receiving COVAXIN we have been made to take the undertaking (attached) stating that the clinical efficacy of COVAXIN is yet to be established. The undertaking and the discrepancies in the distribution of the vaccine sounds very suspicious and the resident doctors are very guarded in getting vaccinated.

It is also a matter of great concern that government has decided to inject vaccine whose phase III results are yet to be declared, though interim analysis report of COVISHIELD is available the same is not true in case of COVAXIN. The resident doctors feel that they have been discriminated and gross injustice is caused to them, and also the government is erratic when it comes to the safety of the doctors.

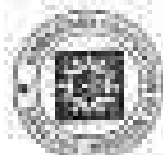
We the resident doctor's demand

- The vaccines which has got results of phase III to be given (atleast interim analysis)
- Provide vaccines that have shown results with respect to safety and efficacy
- Choice to choose a vaccine should be given in view of that both vaccines are yet to complete phase III trials.

This is an immediate and urgent concern. Kindly address all our given concerns

Thanking you

Yours Sincerely,



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Karnataka Association of Resident Doctors.

1. Principal Secretary, DME, Government Of Karnataka
2. Dr Girish, Director, DME, GOK
3. Deans & Director / Heads of Institution of all Govt Medical Colleges in Karnataka
4. District Health Officers