

Regarding need to make the HBL Integrated Vaccine Complex (IVC) Bio Lab at Chengalpet in Tamil Nadu fully functional- laid

DR. KALANIDHI VEERASWAMY (CHENNAI NORTH): Though all infrastructure facilities are available in Bio Lab namely HBL IVC at Chengalpet in Tamil Nadu, with a little more investment, it would be made functional. This Lab was visited by the then Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare along with erstwhile State Minister of Health and Family Welfare. I have personally visited this Lab and made enquiries on 14.05.2021 and issued a press statement urging the importance of opening this Lab immediately. Hon?ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu having understood the importance of vaccine production, made a visit to the said complex on 26.05.2021. The Chief Minister of State also sent a delegation to discuss various issues comprehensively with the Union Minister on 28.05.2021. Hon?ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu also made a visit to New Delhi on 17.06.2021 and submitted a memorandum and requested the Hon?ble Prime Minister to take steps to make this Bio Lab fully functional for vaccine production. However, the permission to get its functional is still awaited. Therefore, I request the Union Minister to do the needful to make this Lab functional as soon as possible.