

Introduction of Rota-Virus Vaccine in Delhi

Information for General Public

- The Government is now expanding the basket of vaccines under the Essential Immunization Program by rolling out Rota-Virus Vaccine in the State. (Likely date of roll out of vaccine in the State is 7th August 2019.)
- The vaccine will help in preventing severe diarrhea and hospitalization caused due to Rota-Virus infection. Available data indicates that Rota-Virus infection is responsible for 40% of moderate to severe diarrhea in under five children.
- Rota-Virus Vaccine will specifically prevent against Rota-Virus related diarrhea and hospitalization.
- The Rota-Virus Vaccine is an oral vaccine.
- The schedule for administration of Rota-Virus Vaccine is at 6, 10, 14 weeks.
- The Rota-Virus Vaccine will be provided with 1st dose of Pentavalent vaccine to all eligible children below 1 year of age.
- The Vaccine will be available free of cost at all public health facilities and hospitals.
- Immunization services can be availed on Wednesdays and Fridays in all public health facilities and on all working days in Delhi Government Hospitals.
- It will also be administered at outreach session sites.