# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO. 11**

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**Mr N F Shivambu (EFF) to ask the Minister of Health:**

(1) What (a) total number of COVID-19 vaccines are approved for usage in the Republic and (b) are the names of such vaccines;

(2) (a) what total number of vaccines has the Government procured to date from each approved vaccine supplier and (b) at what price;

(3) which legal provisions does his department rely on to enjoy the exclusive rights to procure vaccines from approved suppliers;

(4) what total amount has his department spent on the procurement of COVID-19 vaccines to date?

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**REPLY:**

(1) (a) There are four vaccines approved for use in the Republic.

(b) (i) Covid-19 vaccine Jannsen

 (ii) Pfizer Comirnaty

 (iii) Coronavac (Curanto Pharma); and

 (iv) BBIBP-CortV-Vaccine (Sinopharm) [MC Pharma]

(2) (a) (i) Covid-19 vaccine Jannsen - 31 000 000 doses

(ii) Pfizer Comirnaty - 30 002 310 doses plus 1 392 300 doses through the COVAX Facility

(b) The pricing information cannot be shared as we are bound by non-disclosure agreements with manufacturers.

(3) There is no law that gives the government exclusive rights to procure vaccines from approved suppliers. However, with regards to COVID-19 vaccines, manufacturers opted to contract exclusively with government to make vaccines equitably available.

(4) The Department has spent approximately R 6 billion on vaccines to date.

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