



Frequently asked questions about Yellow Fever Vaccination

1. *Who needs to take Yellow Fever Vaccine?*

All Indian citizens travelling to or through the following **46 African and Central or South American countries*** (subject to change periodically according to MoHFW guidelines:

<http://www.ihrpoe.co.in/yellow-fever-vacc.php>)

African Countries				Central and South American Countries	
Angola	Democratic Republic of Congo	Mauritania	The Gambia	Argentina	Suriname
Benin	Equatorial Guinea	Niger	Togo	Bolivia	Trinidad & Tobago
Burkina Faso	Ethiopia	Nigeria	Uganda	Brazil	Venezuela
Burundi	Gabon	Rwanda		Columbia	
Cameroon	Ghana	Sao Tomme and Principie		Ecuador	
Cape Verde	Guinea	Senegal		French Guiana	
Central African Republic	Guinea-Bissau	Sierra Leone		Guyana	
Chad	Kenya	Somalia		Panama	
Congo	Liberia	Sudan		Paraguay	
Cote d'Ivoire	Mali	Tanzania		Peru	

2. *Where can someone get the Yellow Fever Vaccine?*

The Yellow Fever Vaccine can be received only from a Hospital or Health Facility designated by DGHS, MoHFW, Government of India. The list of such centres are updated from time to time by MoHFW (<http://www.ihrpoe.co.in/yf-vacc-centres.php>). *In Madhya Pradesh, AIIMS Bhopal is currently the only designated facility.* The vaccine is provided through **CFM department**.

3. *Can everybody be given the Yellow Fever Vaccine?*

No, there are certain people who cannot receive the Yellow Fever Vaccine due to any of the following reasons. They need to obtain **Exemption Certificate** after showing proof of their non-eligibility.

S No	Criteria for Exemption	Document for Proof of non-eligibility
1	Age less than 9 months or more than 65 years	Valid Indian Passport
2	Pregnancy and breast-feeding	Certificate from treating obstetrician or registered medical practitioner
3	Proven history of egg allergy	Certificate/ report from an accredited laboratory about egg allergy
4	Immunodeficiency from medication (eg steroids, anticancer treatment etc) or disease (eg thymus disorders, SCID etc.)	Certificate from treating registered medical practitioner
5	Symptomatic HIV infection	Certificate from treating registered medical practitioner

4. *When someone should get vaccinated?*

The travellers must get themselves vaccinated at least 10 days before their scheduled arrival in the 46 African/ Central and South American countries mentioned above.

5. *How long is the certificate valid?*



The Yellow Fever Vaccination Certificate is valid for lifetime, beginning 10 days after the date of vaccination.

How to get Yellow Fever Vaccination at AIIMS Bhopal?

Step I

6. *What Documents are required?*

- a) **Valid Indians passports** with a self-attested photocopy,
- b) Any documentary proof like VISA, Air ticket, Invitation letter, job letter or other relevant documents on which name of destination country is mentioned. (any one of the given countries mentioned in the table).
- c) Proof of exemption (see point 3) in case the traveller is not eligible for vaccination

7. *Day of vaccination* – Every Wednesday (except gazetted holidays)

8. *What time should you report?*

All the traveller need to report before **11:30 am for registration**.

9. *Where should you report?*

- a) Walk-in counters in the OPD registration area of the hospital building, OR
- b) You can obtain online appointment of CFM OPD through the AIIMS Bhopal website (<https://aiimsbhopal.edu.in>) or through ORS portal of Government of India (<https://ors.gov.in/index.html>). After obtaining appointment, you would need to get the OPD Card from the appropriate counter in the registration area.

In case of any difficulty, you should approach the “**May I Help you Desk**” in the OPD registration area of the hospital building.

Step II

10. Process of Vaccination

- a) **Assessment of Eligibility** – Obtain an **OPD card** of **CFM department** from the OPD registration counter. Visit the CFM OPD with your OPD card for assessment of eligibility.
- b) The traveller must inform the attendant of the CFM OPD regarding need for yellow fever vaccination so that s/he can be guided to the concerned doctor promptly. There is a separate queue for Yellow Fever Vaccination Assessment.
- c) If found eligible, carry the OPD card to **Immunization Clinic, Room No 5** in the hospital building itself. The staff here would ask you fill consent and declaration forms. Fill these forms and submit the other necessary documents (eg Original Passport along with self-attested copy) in the immunisation clinic. Wait for next instructions.
- d) If you are not eligible for vaccination, you would receive an Exemption Certificate. Please read the guidelines “**Process of obtaining Exemption Certificate**”.

Step III

11. Payment of Fees



- a) Once staff in the immunization clinic has checked all the necessary document, s/he will guide you to pay the fees for vaccination. **Pay Rs 300** at the **billing counter** in OPD registration area and obtain the receipt of payment.
- b) Now proceed back to the immunization clinic for vaccination.

Note: Please don't pay the fees without assessment of eligibility by the nursing staff/doctor in-charge as there would be no refund and requests for the same will not be entertained.

Step IV

- a) **Vaccination** – Produce the payment receipt to the nursing officer in the immunization room and wait outside in the waiting lounge. Go inside the vaccination room, when called for. All vaccinations would be done before 1.00 pm.

Note: After vaccination, all travellers need to be observed for at least 30 minutes for any immediate adverse events.

Step V

- a) **How to get Certificate?**

The nursing staff would get the International Certificate signed by the concerned official AIIMS Bhopal. The certificates will be distributed post lunch from 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm

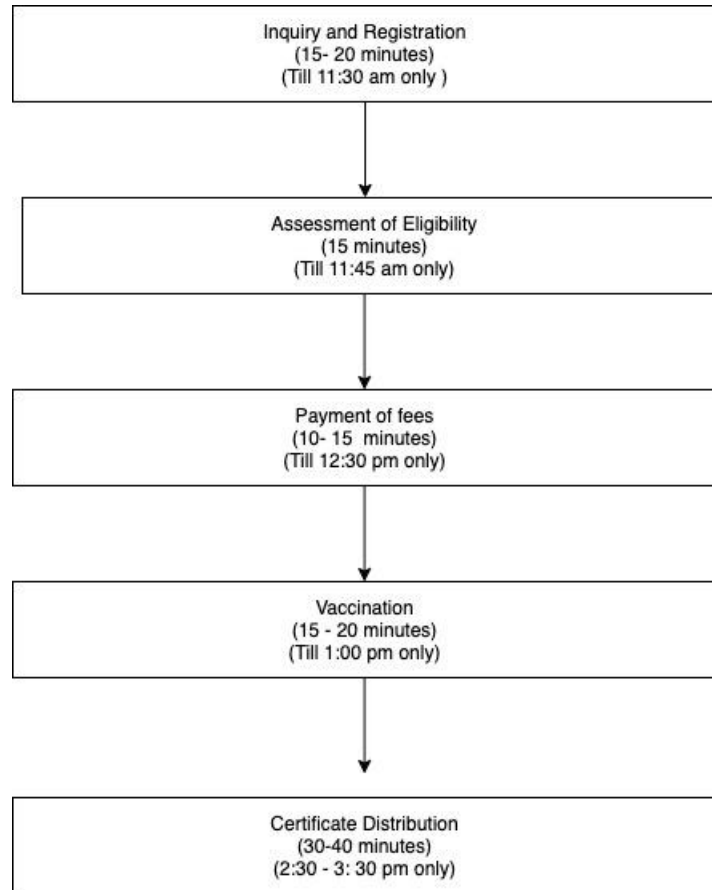
Note: The travellers should check that their certificate is complete in all respects, stamped and signed.

12. How much time is expected to be spent in different steps –

- a) Inquiry & Registration – 15-30 minutes
- b) Assessment of Eligibility – 15-30 minutes
- c) Submission of documents, consent & declaration – 15-30 minutes
- d) Payment of fees – 10-15 minutes
- e) Vaccination – 15-20 minutes
- f) Supervision for AEFI – 30 minutes
- g) Certificate Distribution – 30-90 minutes



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Note: Unforeseen circumstances may delay one or many of the above processes. Please be prepared for delays beyond our control (eg sufficient number of travellers not turning up, equipment malfunction, etc). The vaccines are available in 2-dose or 5-dose vials. Therefore, travellers would be vaccinated in multiples of 2, 4, 6 etc (for 2-dose vial) or 5, 10, 15 etc (for 5-dose vial).

More details can be obtained from **Immunization Clinic (Room No 5), CFM OPD, AIIMS Hospital**, Saket Nagar, Bhopal. You can also contact the following persons for clarifications –

- i. Nodal Officer, Yellow Fever Vaccination Facility. Department of Community and Family Medicine
- ii. Nursing Officer/ Senior Nursing Officer In Charge.
- iii. Medical superintendent, AIIMS Bhopal



Process of obtaining Exemption Certificate

As mentioned earlier, certain groups of travellers can't be given yellow fever vaccine. They need to obtain Exemption Certificate after producing following documents –

- a) Valid Indian Passport and self-attested photocopy
- b) Original Proof for non-eligibility for yellow Fever Vaccination

The process for Exemption Certificate is –

- a) Assessment for non-eligibility through verification of documents
- b) Explanation of the exemption certificate and need for quarantine/isolation for 6 days at entry point upon returning back to India
- c) Provision of the certificate

Process of obtaining Duplicate Yellow Fever Vaccination Cards

Travellers who were vaccinated at AIIMS Bhopal, but had lost their original Yellow Fever Vaccination Certificate need to obtain a duplicate certificate. They can obtain the duplicate Yellow Fever Vaccination Certificate after presenting the following documents –

- a) Request letter (it would be provided in the immunization clinic)
- b) Copy of F.I.R about lost / stolen original certificate
- c) Copy of passport (please carry original for verification)
- d) Copy of Old Yellow Fever Vaccination Certificate