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**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**Report of the Standing Committee on Health on its oversight visits to the vaccination sites at the Cape Town International Convention Center (CTICC) and the Wellness Bus at Fair Cape Dairies Farm in Durbanville on 4 August 2021**

The Standing Committee on Health having conducted oversight visits to the vaccination site at the CTICC and the Wellness Bus at Fair Cape Dairies Farm in Durbanville on 4 August 2021, reports as follows:

### **The delegation**

The delegation of the Standing Committee on Health included the following Members:

#### **Democratic Alliance**

Allen, RI

Botha, LJ

Philander, WF (Chairperson)

#### **African National Congress**

Windvogel, R

#### **Additional Member**

Bans, AP (ANC)

#### **Apology**

Xego, M (EFF)

Bakubaku-Vos NG (ANC)

### **1. Background**

The Standing Committees on Health conducted oversight visits to the Cape Town Convention Centre (CTICC) Mass Vaccination Centre of Hope and the Wellness Bus at the Fair Cape Dairies Farm in Durbanville on 4 August 2021.

The purpose of the visits was to determine how the COVID-19 vaccination was administered at these sites and to observe the turnout of community members and farm workers from Durbanville and the surrounding communities for the vaccination rollout.

### **2. Salient points that emanated from the vaccination site at the Cape Town International Convention Centre (CTICC) Mass Vaccination Centre of Hope**

2.1 Sister Saville, Facility Manager and Sister Riuters, Operational Manager for the CTICC Mass Vaccination Centre of Hope welcomed the Committee.

2.2 Sister Riuters accompanied the Committee on the walkabout of the facility. She informed the Committee that the CTICC Mass Vaccination Centre of Hope was a collaboration between the provincial Department of Health and Discovery Health.

2.3 The Committee was informed that the Department of Health was responsible for the overall coordination, supply of vaccination and facilities management, whilst Discovery Health was responsible for the administrative functions, client experience and the technological aspects.

2.4 The vaccination rollout at the CTICC started on Wednesday, 7 July 2021 with a target to vaccinate 2800 persons daily, and this figure could be scaled up to 4000.

2.5 The site operates on weekdays from 08h00 to 16h00.

2.6 The site was vaccinating persons with appointments and walk-ins, no person is turned away without being vaccinated. Onsite registration was done for persons who had not registered.

- 2.7 The CTICC Mass Vaccination Centre of Hope was reported as one of the largest vaccination sites in the country. The site had 50 vaccination stations.
- 2.8 The vaccination was free of charge for everyone visiting the site and there was zero wastage of vaccines.
- 2.9 It was reported that after vaccination, people are expected to wait for 15 minutes to check their reaction or side effects of the vaccination before leaving the vaccination site.
- 2.10 The site offers the Pfizer vaccine and some of the persons that were vaccinated during the visit were getting their second vaccination doses and there were referrals from Karl Bremer Hospital, Clicks, Khayelitsha and Langa.
- 2.11 The officials at the site reported that the vaccination process had been smooth and hassle-free.
- 2.12 In terms of staff capacity for the CTICC Mass Vaccination Centre of Hope, the Discovery Health allocated support staff and the Department provided clinical staff. In addition, there were 32 interns, final year nursing students from the UWC that were assisting at the CTICC vaccination site.
- 2.13 During the visit, the Committee interacted with Mrs. Wilhelmina Jansen a 100 year old woman who was at the site for her second Pfizer vaccine jab. She praised the 15-20 minutes turnaround time of the vaccination process.
- 2.14 During the visit, the only challenge that was highlighted by officials at the CTICC vaccination site was the staff shortage which was caused by staff transport due to the taxi violence.

The Committee was very impressed with the way the health workers were handling the vaccination process at the CTICC Mass Vaccination Centre of Hope. The vaccination process was well organised and the vaccination process was quick.

The Committee departed from the CTICC Mass Vaccination Centre of Hope to the Wellness Bus at Fair Cape Dairies Farm in Durbanville.

### **3. Visit to the vaccination site in Fair Cape Dairies Farm in Durbanville**

The Committee proceeded to conduct an unannounced visit to the Wellness Bus at Fair Cape Dairies Farm in Durbanville. On arrival, the Committee was welcomed by Mr. Du Preez, Human Resources Director for the Fair Cape Dairies in the Western Cape and Mr. Marcus from the Department of Health, Community Liaison for the Northern Tygerberg Sub-Structure.

- 3.1 Mr. Du. Preez reported that a total of 1 379 farm workers were vaccinated, 250 was the daily target for the vaccination of farm workers at the Fair Cape Dairies Farm in Durbanville.
- 3.2 It was reported that farm workers from the surrounding farming communities and farms in Malmesbury were vaccinated at the Fair Cape Dairies.
- 3.3 The vaccination site at the Fair Cape Dairies Farm was a partnership between Fair Cape Dairies Farm and the Durbanville Clinic to vaccinate farm workers and their family members on the farm.
- 3.4 Mr. Marcus reported that the vaccination on the wellness bus was the best way of bringing health services closer to the people in remote areas.
- 3.5 It was reported that the farm workers were getting the Johnson & Johnson vaccination, a once-off jab.
- 3.6 The vaccination wellness bus begins at 06:30 in the morning until 16:00 on weekdays until the bus moves to the next site.
- 3.7 There were six nurses on site from the Department, two nurses from Fair Cape, one Sister from the Department and one departmental Community Liaison Officer.

- 3.8 The Committee noted that the vaccination rollout was progressing well at the Wellness Bus at Fair Cape Dairies Farm in Durbanville, no challenges were reported.
- 3.9 The Committee praised the partnership between Fair Cape Dairies Farm and the Department of Health.
- 3.10 Mr. Du Preez reported that the Fair Cape Dairies Farm has an onsite clinic for the farm workers to assist those with chronic and other health-related illnesses. The Fair Cape Dairies farm employed two clinical staff one Sister and one nurse.
- 3.11 Mr. Du Preez indicated that the Department used to supply the Fair Cape Dairies Farm Clinic with family planning supplies, however, this has stopped.
- 3.12 He requested the Committee to engage with the Department of Health and request the Department to reconsider supplying the Fair Cape Clinic with the family planning supplies for female farm workers.

The Committee thanked the health workers and the management of the Fair Cape Dairies Farm in Durbanville for their sound partnership in bringing the health services closer to the people.

The Committee successfully concluded its visit.



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