

## PRESS RELEASE

# THE CONTROVERSY OVER A THIRD DOSE OF THE COVID-19 VACCINATION (?)

Since its arrival in early August 2021, a booster dose of the Moderna vaccine has been a bone of contention for several parties. Will the Pfizer vaccine, which arrived recently, have the same fate?

The ongoing debate about vaccines in the middle of an uncontrollable pandemic is a huge irony of humanity. Many communities and areas have reported stock shortages.

## **Indonesia Receives 3.5 Million Moderna Doses from US Gov't**

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## **First Pfizer Vaccine Delivery Arrives in Indonesia**

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## **The Ministry of Health responds to the issue of Moderna vaccines being contested in several regions**

At that time, the Health Ministry's vaccination spokesperson did not refute the news that the Moderna vaccine was being contested by a number of officials in the region as a third booster dose.

Despite being aware, no firm action has been taken by the Ministry of Health. As a result, some officials have received a third booster dose of the Moderna vaccine.

Source: CNN Indonesia

## Indonesian politicians criticised for taking Covid-19 boosters when most in country unvaccinated



Source: The Straits Times

### A TARDY REACTION

The claim made by the Ministry of Health was too late. The distribution of the Moderna vaccine should have been rigorously regulated from the start.

### WEAK SUPERVISION

On August 13, 2021, the Ministry of Health declared that Moderna is exclusively allocated as a third vaccine dose for healthcare workers and those who have never received a vaccine before.

The provision of a third vaccine dose to non-healthcare workers demonstrates the Ministry of Health's lack of oversight. In fact, the Ministry of Health's Circular Letter HK. 02.01/I/1919/2021 expressly states that the third dose of vaccine is **exclusively allocated to healthcare workers**.

Furthermore, according to circular letter SR.02.06/II/2025/2021 point 3, the Moderna Covid-19 vaccine is given to **those who have never received** a Covid-19 vaccination before.

# Officials Get Vaccine Boosters; Health Ministry to Reprimand Regional Offices

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Will the Pfizer vaccine have the same fate as Moderna? It has become a bone of contention of many individuals, while residents have been ignored.

According to LaporCovid-19, the central government does not yet have complete control over vaccine distribution to the regions. Local governments, on the other hand, must improve the vaccination process and objectives.

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