

## COVID-19 and the Vaccines in Sudan

This rapid update contains key questions and concerns on social media about the COVID-19 pandemic and vaccines in Sudan, from 23 January to 1 February 2022. Internews has noted significant informational needs around the vaccines mostly on the Ministry of Health's Facebook page and other popular platforms, which are likely to be seen by many people who are also looking for accurate and trustworthy information on similar topics.

### Why is it important?



This community feedback reflects people's information needs and gaps related to COVID-19. By collecting community feedback and sharing people's questions, complaints, and feedback, together with humanitarians and public health responders we can address information gaps and cater our programs and activities so that they are relevant and responsive to communities' needs.

### Top Vaccine Questions on Facebook

#### Effectiveness

Can a human being get infected with COVID-19 more than once if they're vaccinated?

#### Vaccination Centers

Some community members would like to know where they can get vaccinated in Kassala and Al-Gezira States.

#### Travel

Are all vaccines approved in all countries of the world in case of travel?

#### Dosage

When will the third dose vaccinations begin in Sennar State?

For those that took the two doses last year, can they get vaccinated again?

The second dose of AstraZeneca is in which center in Karrari?

What is the harm in mixing vaccines?

#### Women and Children

What is the best vaccine for children?

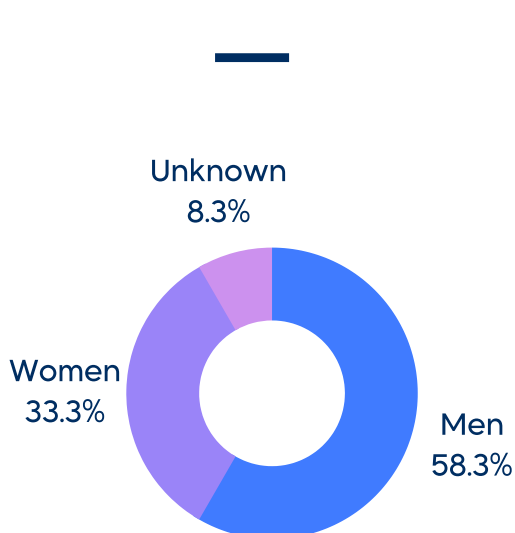
Important question, can a lactating woman take the Corona vaccine?

Can the COVID-19 vaccine affect the menstrual period?



**Total number of issues:**  
36 community questions, concerns and feedback

### Community feedback by Gender



### What are they saying?

If a COVID-19 infection provides limited immunity, what does the vaccine provide? (Woman, Facebook)

I would like to vaccinate my son, he's 12-years-old, he has asthma and has suffered from a previous infection (Mother, Facebook)

I took the AstraZeneca dose on April 26, 2021, I would like to take the second dose - and is the first dose sufficient? (Man, Facebook)

Is it possible for a person to get infected more than once while he is vaccinated? (Woman, Facebook)

There were a couple of requests for COVID-19 statistics for North Kordofan and South Kordofan States.



The Sudan Rooted in Trust project aims to promote a healthy information ecosystem, by dispelling rumors and misinformation about COVID-19 and vaccines by collecting and analyzing community feedback found on social media. We aim to address the information needs of communities impacted by armed conflict and other humanitarian crises.

We would love to hear your ideas on how to address these questions and how we can collectively respond to the information voids. Please contact us at: [akambal@internews.org](mailto:akambal@internews.org).

