

Frequently Asked Questions

POST-VACCINATION MATTERS

1. Are there any side effects? What should I do if I suffer from any side effects?

The vaccine has been assessed to be safe for use. However, you may experience common side effects, similar to other vaccines. Most side effects are mild or moderate, and usually get better within a few days. The table below lists some common side effects that have been reported and how to manage them.

Side Effects	How to Manage
Pain, redness, swelling at the injection site	Paracetamol 1 to 2 tablets every 6 hours as needed
Fever, chills	
Headache, muscle pain, joint pain	
Tiredness	Rest
Lymph node swelling at neck or arms	Usually gets better by itself in a week or so

Visit your nearest GP or polyclinic if:

- The side effects persist or get worse
- The fever persists for more than 48 hours (2 days)

In very rare cases, this vaccine can cause a severe allergic reaction. Signs of a severe allergic reaction include: difficulty breathing, swelling of your face, throat, eyes or lips, a fast heartbeat, dizziness and weakness, a bad rash all over your body. If you experience a severe allergic reaction, seek medical attention immediately. Call 995 or go to the nearest A&E immediately.

2. How long do we have to observe and report the side effects from the vaccine? Which side effect takes the longest to manifest?

Most side effects will resolve within 3 days. Though uncommon, lymphadenopathy (lymph node swelling) can be vaccine-related, and takes around 7 to 10 days to resolve. If you experience a severe allergic reaction, seek medical attention immediately. Call 995 or go to the nearest A&E immediately.