

10- M vaccines doses from AstraZeneca

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THE cities of Quezon and Makati in Metro Manila are leading the list of local government units (LGUs) that have signed advance purchase agreements with multinational pharmaceutical company AstraZeneca for the procurement of its candidate vaccine against coronavirus disease 2019 (Covid- 19).



Quezon City announced on Monday, January 11, 2021 that it was increasing its purchase order to 1.1 million doses of the AZD1222 vaccine from the initial 550,000 doses.

Makati City Mayor Abigail Binay, on the other hand, announced on Tuesday, January 12, that the City Government is procuring 1.0 million doses.

They are among the more than 20 LGUs that have signed agreements with AstraZeneca, National Task Force Against Covid- 19 (NTF), and Department of Health (DOH).

Other LGUs that have signed advance purchase deals as of Wednesday, January 13, are City of Manila (800,000 doses), Valenzuela City (640,000 doses), Iloilo City (600,000 doses), Caloocan City (600,000 doses), Zamboanga City (410,000 doses), Pasig City (400,000 doses), Baguio City (380,000 doses), Las Piñas City (300,000 doses), Parañaque City (200,000 doses), Ilocos Norte (120,000 doses), Oroquieta City (120,000 doses), Vigan City (100,000 to 120,000 doses), Navotas City (100,000 doses), Muntinlupa City (100,000 doses), Mandaluyong City (P200 million), San Juan City (P50 million), and Taal City (40,000 doses).

There is no available data on the number of doses Davao City and Taguig City will be getting from AstraZeneca but both LGUs have signed agreements with AstraZeneca, NTF, and DOH.

In coordination with the national government, LGUs are procuring up to 10.598 million doses of the AstraZeneca vaccine. These are expected to arrive in the country in the second half of 2021.

Presidential Spokesperson Harry Roque said each LGU will pay for the vaccine and reimburse AstraZeneca for all costs associated with delivery, distribution, storage, and destruction of the vaccines prior to delivery to the destination port.

The LGUs are also mandated to develop and implement a local vaccination plan that is aligned with the national deployment and vaccination plan.

Each local plan should follow the geographical and sectoral priority list in the national plan, Roque added.

Ang national government nga po, ang NTF handa na siya mismo ang bumili para sa lahat. Pero dahil ang mga LGUs ay may mga pondo naman sila at mayroon silang kakayahan at ninanais nila talagang tulungan ang national government, hindi po natin minasama iyon at tinanggap natin iyong kanilang mga offer na tumulong.

HARRY ROQUE Presidential spokesperson