

WHO decries “grotesque” vaccination gap between rich and poor nations

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Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus says prospects for equitable vaccine distribution are at ‘serious risk’.

Geneva, March 23 (RHC)-- The head of the World Health Organization is calling on vaccine makers to license their technologies to other manufacturers, calling growing vaccine inequity a “moral outrage.”

WHO Director-General Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus called it “shocking” that some countries are racing to vaccinate their entire populations — including healthy younger people at lower risk of COVID-19 — while healthcare workers, older people and others at high risk go unvaccinated in poorer nations.

Dr. Tedros Adhanom said: "The gap between the number of vaccines administered in rich countries and the number of vaccines administered through COVAX is growing every single day and becoming more grotesque every day."

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