



Destination Updates as on 16 April 2021

BHUTAN

Bhutan's vaccination drive that began on 27 March 2021 has almost reached completion already, leaving behind countries like the United States, Israel, and many others. Though the vaccine had reached Bhutan in late January, the country decided to hold off on the roll out until 27 March to coincide with favourable dates according to Buddhist astrology.

As on 12 April, Bhutan had vaccinated a whopping 93% of its adult population making it the world's fastest immunisation programme. Apart from its small population, the country's success is also due to its committed citizen volunteers, and availability of established cold chain storage from earlier vaccination drives.

The government has excluded children from vaccination for now. Bhutan received its first lot of 150,000 doses of AstraZeneca vaccine as a goodwill gesture from India back in January.

The Bhutanese borders, however, remain monitored and closed to tourists until further notice.

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