# 'Trust us, we got this, for real this time'

### Govt assures citizens for third time over Covid-22

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The government of Chapasthan has assured its people that they will be absolutely safe from the Omicron variant of Covid-22, as authorities, under the celestial guidance of the supreme leader, have taken the strictest measures to prevent another wave of the pandemic.

They said the exact same thing twice in the past, right before Covid-22 wreaked havoc in the country.

Addressing citizens at a public gathering,

Illness Minister Zalim Khaleque said, "This new omeprazole variant..."

A reporter interrupted Zalim to correct him. "Yeah, yeah, Omicron, whatever. Listen, these Greek alphabets have no power over us. That language is dead, but the people of Chapasthan are full of life and love for the country," he said.

In a Facebook post, Motherboard Minister Gostokha Robbar said, "Why Greek? Are we so ashamed of our mother tongue that we can't even name a virus in our own language?

en name a virus in our own language: "I refuse to recognise this new variant. My body refuses too, as my mother tongue flows through my veins," he concluded.

Meanwhile, citizens are rushing to vacation destinations and all kinds of public events, as they think these are the last few days before calamity strikes.

"I don't think I'll get to visit Fox's Bazar next year, so this is my final trip this year, or maybe this life," said Ipshita Karim, a girl who has a terminal condition of wanderlust.

When informed that authorities have said they are completely ready to tackle Omicron, she said. "Sure."

Chapasthan has already halted air travel to and from South Africa, as the variant was first detected in the country.

When journalists informed a state representative that by now, Omicron has spread to other countries, she said, "Oh."

"Guys, don't worry at all, and definitely don't wage any movements or protests, or else..." said Zalim. "We'll just vaccinate every single person by next... week? Yeah, yup, that's right!"

"And if for whatever reason, things get slightly out of hand, which definitely won't happen, we'll just impose another lockdown. Everyone loves to stay home anyways, right?" he explained

Asked about safety nets for poor people during a possible lockdown, "What poor people? Per capita income is \$2,554," he informed.

In another Facebook post, Gostokha said, "Under the sky of Digital Chapasthan, there's an antivirus that is able to thwart all kinds of viruses, and that is the love for the country and its supreme leader."

## Country to export rich people to poorer nations

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Why Chapasthan is still considered to be an underdeveloped country, despite being the largest producer of rich people, is a question that the nation's economists are wracking their brains over at countless seminars, webinars, roundtables and views-exchange meetings.

With such a surplus of people having multiple homes in Dhoka's Fulshan and Bananu, and in Canada, the country is considering exporting rich people to poorer countries, because the leaders of Chapasthan have hearts bigger than all the riches of the entire world combined.

Every member of society will be satisfied through the initiative, a leader said, demanding anonymity. Rich people will be put to better use, and their wealth will be "exported" to countries that need the extra money. This will create a stable Chapasthan, where the people remaining in the country will not be able to compare with or be jealous of rich people.

"Till now, you only heard of labour migration and how those sent abroad are tortured in host countries, and blah, blah, blah. Now, you'll hear of expatriate migration; 'expatriates' not in the local sense, but how colonials perceive them to be -- rich people," the leader added.

Chapasthan's incredible transformation -- from a crop-producing country to a garment hub and slave supplier, and then finally to a rich-people producing centre -- has the whole world sweating.

"It's a shame that the UN and its allies still call us a poor country, while we are about to export locally grown rich people, so that poorer nations can bid farewell to their stupid sorrows and become rich like us," said an incredibly wealthy man, who refused to reveal his name and income source.

"We are dreaming of those days when people will stop talking about Elon Musk, Jeff Bezos or Bill Gates, and instead talk about Bangladeshi billionaires. All my thoughts revolve around my country's name and fame. Who else is more patriotic than me?" said another man, who took a billion-dollar loan and fled to a middle-eastern country.

In spite of maintaining a healthy growth of wealthy people, a massive section of people alleging to be living in poverty (we don't know where they came from), has cast doubt on the country's glorious achievement.

Emaciated people wearing shabby clothes have drawn the country's attention, as they are demanding their \$2,554.

"Last month, I heard that our per capita income has increased significantly. That means I should be rich too, but I didn't even have the money to have a cup of tea this morning. Export me too," said Masud Rasel, a person who was shouting near some luxury cars at Fulshan.

"Opposing every good thing has become the nature of this country's people. I still don't believe that these 'wannabe' poor people are actually from Chapasthan. We shouldn't forget that this country is of the rich, by the rich and for the rich," said Kabir Ahmed, president of Bangladesh Rich Manufacturing Authority, at a press conference.

"So, where did these poor people come from? Don't be deceived by those torn clothes and pale faces," he warned.

