

General questions

1. What problems can you identify in this story? Are solutions presented?
2. In what way might this story be relevant in your community?

Further exploration

1. How did the news of Omicron impact vaccination efforts in India despite little being known of the variant at the time? How did that compare to your country's reaction?
2. India is a major global exporter of vaccines, including COVID-19 vaccines. During the Delta surge, they stopped all exports to other countries, many who desperately needed them. Laxminarayan said that India followed the global playbook by focusing on its own population first. Do you think India did the right thing? Why or why not? What does Laxminarayan's reasoning say about global efforts to combat COVID-19?
3. India aims to fully vaccinate all of its adults, some 940 million people, against COVID-19. If they accomplish that ambitious goal, how do you think India's strengthened public health



infrastructure and vast door-to-door outreach could be repurposed? Would this model be replicable for other countries?