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## VaxCertPH soft launch today

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It's all systems go for the soft launch of the National Digital Vaccine Certificate or VaxCertPH today, Sept. 6, Presidential spokesman Harry Roque said.

Roque revealed that overseas

Filipino workers (OFWs) and Filipinos who will be departing from the Philippines for international travel with Metro Manila and Baguio City as their place of residence will be prioritized in the initial phase of the project's implementation.

"It will later be opened to 7

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the general public and for other purposes at a later time," Roque said. Roque said the soft launch was

Roque said the soft launch was approved by the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF).

A project of the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT), VaxCertPH's purpose is to streamline all vaccination cards issued by local government

units (LGUs).

Vaccination cards were given to individuals who took part in the government's mass inoculation program against the coronavirus disease (COVID-19).

The DICT said the ultimate goal of VaxCertPH is to facilitate the vaccination of as many Filipinos as possible, in the fastest time possible. It is a component of the agency's Vaccine Information Management System, or VIMS.

The vaccine certificates will be issued for free under the project.