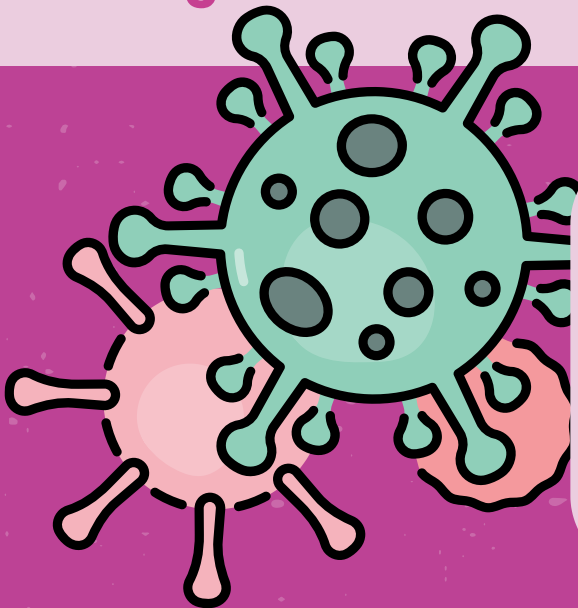




the most common sexually transmitted infection

# INDIA IS LAUNCHING HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS VACCINE (HPV) CAMPAIGN FOR AGES 9-14

The vaccine aims to reduce the incidence of cervical cancer, the second most leading cancer in India.



**Who can get the vaccine?**

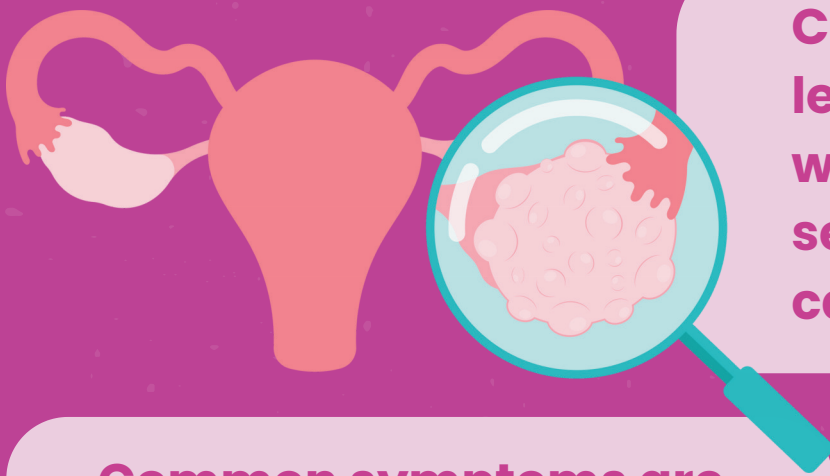
Anyone of 9 years and above in age

**What does it help with?**

Cervical cancer

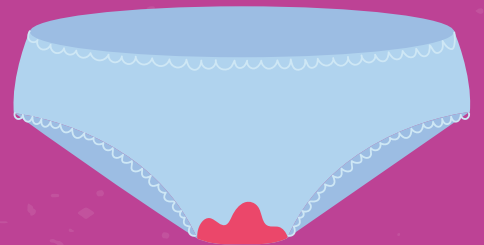
Every year, 123907 women are diagnosed with cervical cancer, and 77348 die from the disease

# What is Cervical Cancer?



Cervical cancer is the 5th leading cause of death in women worldwide and the second most common cancer in India.

Common symptoms are bleeding in between the cycles of menstruation and postcoital bleeding.



It is one of the most preventable cancers (with vaccination and early diagnosis).

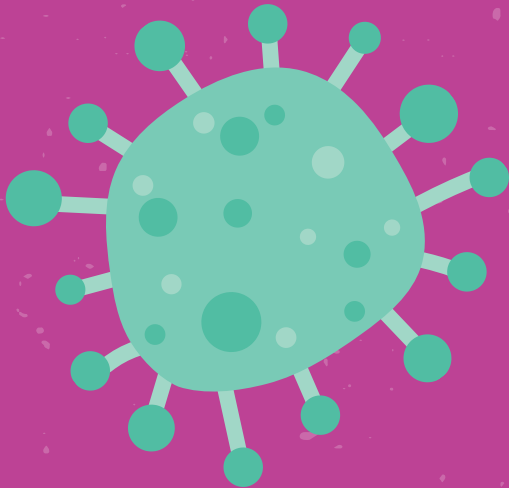


Usually begins with ulceration over the cervix, which can eventually lead to cervical cancer and spread to various parts of the body.

**The HPV vaccine is available worldwide and is being made mandatory for ages up to 45 years.**



**In India, the HPV vaccine is commercially available as Gardasil and Cervarix.**



**With the government's new initiative, it can spread awareness among the high risk group and younger generations, and help prevent the disease.**



Stirring conversations around sex-ed and answering questions that stay under the shade, for we believe that India needs to be educated and informed about sexual education.

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