



Sri Lanka approves Pfizer shot

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Sri Lanka on Saturday approved Pfizer's COVID-19 vaccine for emergency use in Sri Lanka, as the island nation battles a third wave of the virus, while suffering a restricted supply of vaccines from neighbouring India.

Dr. Sudharshani Fernando, the Minister overseeing the fight against the epidemic, said the government would order 5 million doses of the Pfizer vaccine.

Sri Lanka is the first country in South Asia to approve the Pfizer vaccine. It has also approved Russia's Sputnik and China's Sinopharm vaccines.