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Dr. Reddy's Laboratories announces DCGI approval to the single-shot Sputnik Light vaccine in India

- Sputnik Light is the latest vaccine to be approved in India as part of the national inoculation effort in the fight against COVID-19
- Sputnik Light becomes the second COVID-19 vaccine to be made available in India by Dr. Reddy's

Hyderabad, India, February 7, 2022 - Dr. Reddy's Laboratories Ltd. (BSE: 500124, NSE: DRREDDY, NYSE: RDY, NSEIFSC: DRREDDY, hereafter referred to as "Dr. Reddy's") today announced that the Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI) has granted approval to the single-shot Sputnik Light vaccine for restricted use in emergency situation in India.

Sputnik Light is a one-dose vaccine and the same as the first component—recombinant human adenovirus serotype number 26 (rAd26)—of the two-dose Sputnik V vaccine. Following its Phase III clinical trial of the single-shot Sputnik Light vaccine in India, Dr. Reddy's had submitted its application for approval to the DCGI in December 2021, in addition to data from clinical trial in Russia.

The standalone Sputnik Light vaccine is the latest vaccine to be approved by the DCGI as part of India's national inoculation effort against COVID-19. Sputnik Light is the second COVID-19 vaccine to be made available in India by Dr. Reddy's, reaffirming the company's commitment to explore every avenue in the fight against the pandemic.

Sputnik Light has been approved in over 30 countries around the world including Argentina, UAE, Philippines and Russia. Earlier this year, an independent comparative study conducted by the Spallanzani Institute in Italy showed that Sputnik V demonstrates strong protection against the Omicron variant, with over two times higher virus neutralising activity compared to the Pfizer vaccine¹. The data supports the results of the recent laboratory study by the Gamaleya Center demonstrating that Sputnik V induces robust neutralising antibody response to the Omicron variant, further strengthened by Sputnik Light as a booster².

In September 2020, Dr. Reddy's partnered with the Russian Direct Investment Fund (RDIF) to conduct clinical trials of Sputnik V and distribute the vaccine in India. In April 2021, the DCGI granted approval to the two-dose Sputnik V vaccine for restricted use in emergency situation in India.

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Retention of Neutralizing response against SARS-CoV-2 Omicron variant in Sputnik V vaccinated individuals: https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2022.01.15.22269335v1

² Sputnik Light booster after Sputnik V vaccination induces robust neutralizing antibody response to B.1.1.529 (Omicron) SARS-CoV-2 variant: https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2021.12.17.21267976v1