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## ● Sri Lanka received the IMF board approval...

State Minister of Finance Shehan Semasinghe.

The State Minister of Finance Shehan Semasinghe states in an official announcement that Sri Lanka has succeeded in obtaining the approval of the Executive Board of the International Monetary Fund.

The State Minister also stated that the background required to obtain this approval was prepared in the patience and trust of the people of the country, as well as the unpopular but necessary reforms in the country that were carried out by President Ranil Wickramasinghe.

“At the end of a huge process of 08 months, with the irrepressible courage and commitment of the President, the Ministry of Finance, the Central Bank of Sri Lanka and other institutions, as well as the support of the International Monetary Fund, the official creditors of our country and other countries, today we got the opportunity to access the extended loan facility of the International Monetary Fund. This approval was essential for the country at this time. Now is the time when all of us should work together to strengthen the country's economy. Further, we have to work patiently in these reforms.”

The State Minister further stated that the duty assigned to him by the President was well fulfilled not only as a public representative but also as a Sri Lankan.

Also, the State Minister further said that President Ranil Wickremesinghe will make a special statement to the nation tomorrow (21).

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