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'Pharma to continue double-digit growth'

The Indian pharmaceutical market will continue to grow in the double digits, representing a better growth opportunity than many other geographic markets, Moody's Investors Service says. However, drug companies in the country could face higher debt levels as the pharmaceutical sector grows, resulting in mergers and acquisitions, it said. "As consolidation in the industry continues globally, particularly among generic drug companies, Indian firms will increasingly look to become involved in global mergers and acquisitions..." Moody's senior vice-president Michael Levesque said in a report.

