

US clears Aurobindo drug to treat high BP

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Aurobindo Pharma has announced that the company has received final approval from the US Food & Drug Administration (USFDA) to manufacture and market Sildenafil tablets, 20 mg.

This product is expected to be launched by Q4 FY 2015-16. The approved ANDA is bioequivalent

and therapeutically equivalent to the reference listed drug product REVATIO (sildenafil citrate) tablets 20 mg of Pfizer, Inc, Aurobindo informed the BSE.

Sildenafil tablets are used in the treatment of pulmonary arterial hypertension (high blood pressure in the lungs). The approved product has an estimated market size of \$80 million for the

12 months ended September 2015.

This is the 51st ANDA to be approved out of Unit VII formulation facility in Hyderabad for manufacture of oral non-antibiotic products. Aurobindo now has a total of 219 ANDA approvals (190 final approvals, including 10 from Aurobindo Pharma LLC and 29 tentative approvals) from the USFDA.

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