

**Aspen, Cipla win \$860-m drug tender**

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South Africa's National Health Department said on Wednesday it has awarded a 10 billion rand (\$860 million) tender to four pharmaceutical firms to supply AIDS drugs. Aspen Pharmacare was awarded a Rand 2.5-billion contract, India's Cipla a Rand 2-billion deal, US-based Mylan a Rand 2.8-billion share and unlisted local firm Sonke a Rand 3-billion stake in the tender. REUTERS

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