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INDIAN PHARMA COS GET US NOD TO SELL DRUG

New Delhi, 6 January: Three domestic firms, Aurobindo Pharma, Lupin and Jubilant Life Sciences, have received final approval from the US health regulator to sell generic copies of Valsartan tablets used for treatment of hypertension.

The current annualised US market size for Valsartan tablets USP, 40 mg, 80 mg, 160 mg, and 320 mg as per IMS is around \$2 billion, the pharma firms said.

While Lupin has launched the product in the US market already, Jubilant Life Sciences said it plans to launch the drug immediately. Aurobindo Pharma also said the company is ready to launch the drug.

The companies have received final approval from the US Food and Drug Administration.

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