

FDA clean chit for Jubilant's Canada unit

Clearance comes after the plant was re-inspected last Sept

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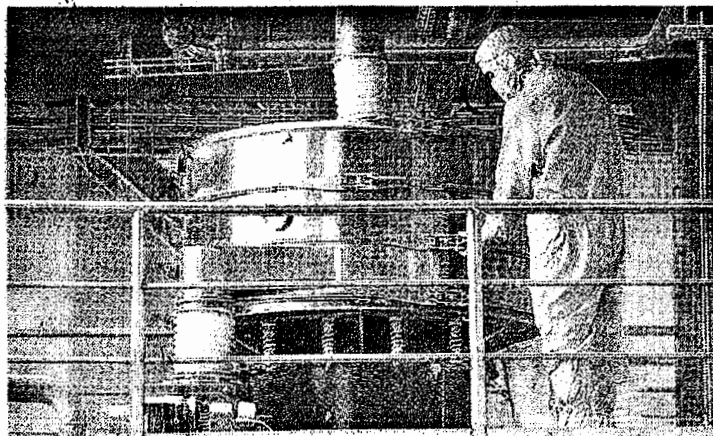
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Jubilant Life Sciences Ltd announced on Friday that the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has given a clean chit to its plant in Montreal, Canada. The plant had received a warning letter in February 2013.

"This resolves all issues raised by the FDA on the facility in February 2013 and subsequent communications," the drug-maker said in a statement.

The plant was re-inspected in September last year, Jubilant said.

The news pushed up Jubilant Life Sciences stock on Friday, which closed at ₹124.55, up 6.86 per cent over the previous close, on the BSE. Jubilant, which manu-



Green signal Relief for Jubilant comes at a time when the US FDA's actions against Indian companies are criticised by industry experts. AFP

facturers active pharmaceutical ingredients, generic medicines and specialty drugs, has 10 plants in India, the US and Canada.

The company had received two more warning letters from the FDA in December 2013 for its plants in Spokane, US, and Quebec, Canada for non-compliance

with good manufacturing practices.

The FDA has been in the eye of the storm following its recent actions against Indian companies such as Ranbaxy Laboratories and Wockhardt, with many in the industry feeling Indian companies were being targeted unfairly.

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