

April 21, 2018

The National Stock Exchange of India Ltd
Exchange Plaza, Bandra Kurla Complex
Mumbai - 400 051

Sub: Clarification sought on the announcement submitted on April 19, 2018 regarding Merck to Sell Consumer Health business to Procter & Gamble.

Dear Sir,

Reference your email dated April 20, 2018 on the above captioned subject which was responded to via email on April 21, 2018. Our response to the query as responded earlier is as follows:

The Company has filed the press release issued by Merck KGaA, the ultimate holding company of the Company, announcing its decision to sell the consumer health business globally. To implement this decision in India Merck KGaA affiliated entities, Emedia Exports, Chemitra GmbH and Merck Internationale, holding majority shareholding in the Company, have decided to sell their entire shareholding in the Company, which is 51.80% of the total outstanding capital. This was mentioned in the covering letter forwarding the global press release to your exchange. This announcement was followed by a public announcement by the Acquirer making the mandatory open offer to acquire upto 26% of the total outstanding capital of the Company. There is no slump sale of consumer health business by the Company to Procter & Gamble. Merck KGaA and Procter & Gamble are unrelated parties.

Trust this clarifies the query, should you require any further information / clarification pl. let's know the same.

Yours faithfully,

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