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Sun Pharma to introduce its version of Vortioxetine in India under an exclusive patent license from Lundbeck

Mumbai, India, March 30, 2022 – Sun Pharmaceutical Industries Limited (Reuters: SUN.BO, Bloomberg: SUNP IN, NSE: SUNPHARMA, BSE: 524715, Sun Pharma” and includes its subsidiaries and/or associate companies) today announced that one of its wholly-owned subsidiaries has entered into an exclusive patent licensing agreement with H. Lundbeck A/S (“Lundbeck”) to market and distribute its own version of Vortioxetine in India under the brand name, VORTIDIF™. The territory of the licensing agreement will only cover India.

Vortioxetine is a novel antidepressant with multimodal activity, which is approved to treat Major Depressive Disorder (MDD) in adults. The product is approved in over 80 countries¹, including the US, EU, Canada and Australia.

Kirti Ganorkar, CEO of India Business, Sun Pharma, said, “Sun Pharma is the leader in the neuro-psychiatry therapy in India and we always endeavour to bring innovative medicines that fill a need gap. MDD is a serious and complicated disorder and VORTIDIF™ will serve as an important novel treatment option for patients in India.”

MDD is one of the leading cause of disability, affecting approximately 246 million people globally² and 35 million people in India.³ MDD is characterised by pronounced changes in mood coupled with distinct psychological and vegetative changes, including sleep, appetite disturbance, subjective fatigue, loss of motivation and drive, ruminative feelings of guilt and despair, problems maintaining mental focus, and suicidal thinking and behaviour.⁴

Sun Pharma is ranked No. 1 by prescriptions and value amongst Neurologists & Psychiatrists in India (IMS MAT Jan 2022). With a strong product portfolio, Sun Pharma’s CNS division constantly strives to provide innovative solutions to patients and health care providers in India.

[H. Lundbeck](#) is a global pharmaceutical company specialising in brain diseases.

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Sun Pharma is the world's fourth largest specialty generic pharmaceutical company and India's top pharmaceutical company. A vertically integrated business and a skilled team enables it to deliver high-quality products, trusted by customers and patients in over 100 countries across the world, at affordable prices. Its global presence is supported by manufacturing facilities spread across six continents and approved by multiple regulatory agencies, coupled with a multi-cultural workforce comprising over 50 nationalities. Sun Pharma fosters excellence through innovation supported by strong R&D capabilities across multiple R&D centers, with investments of approximately 6% of annual revenues in R&D. For further information, please visit www.sunpharma.com and follow us on Twitter @SunPharma_Live.

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