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Sir/ Madam,

Sub:- Press Release with regards to approval of PLI application

Please find attached the press release on the approval of PLI application by Aarti Speciality Chemicals Limited, a Wholly-owned Subsidiary of Aarti Drugs Limited.

Kindly take the same on record.

Thanking you,

Yours Faithfully,

FOR AARTI DRUGS LIMITED

RUSHIKESH DEOLE

COMPANY SECRETARY & COMPLIANCE OFFICER

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Press Release

Aarti Speciality Chemicals Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Aarti Drugs Limited receives an approval accorded under Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for Pharmaceutical Sector

Mumbai, March 06, 2021: Aarti Speciality Chemicals Limited (ASCL), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Aarti Drugs Limited (Aarti Drugs), stands out to be one of the beneficiaries of the Government of India's recently approved Production Linked Incentive (PLI) for the Pharmaceutical Sector.

Government of India's Department of Pharmaceuticals under the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers recently launched a Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme to promote domestic manufacturing by incentivising pharmaceutical manufacturers to set-up greenfield projects in India with a minimum domestic value addition in four different target segments (Two in Fermentation based - at least 90% and Two in the Chemical Synthesis based – at least 70%) with a total outlay of Rs. 6,940 crores. The objective of the scheme is achieving self-reliance and reducing import dependence in these critical 'Key Starting Materials (KSMs)/ Drug Intermediates/ Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (APIs)' in the country. The tenure of the scheme is from FY21 to FY30.

The applications under four different Target Segments were invited with 30 November 2020 as the last date. In total, 215 applications were received for the 41 products spread across the 4 Target Segments.

Aarti Speciality Chemicals Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Aarti Drugs Limited received approval for 2-Methyl-5Nitro-Imidazole (2-MNI) with a committed production capacity of 4,000 MT per annum under Target Segment III (Key Chemical Synthesis Based KSMs/Drug Intermediates). The rate incentive will be 10 per cent of sales value per annum for a period of 6 years - FY23 to FY28.

Commenting on the Government's approval Mr. Adhish Patil, Chief Financial Officer – Aarti Drugs Limited said:

"We welcome the government's approval to our application under PLI scheme to manufacture 2-Methyl-5Nitro-Imidazole (2-MNI) with a committed production capacity of 4,000 MT per annum. This is a very positive development for us, as it will help the company to diversify its product portfolio, increase the top-line and enhance the profitability & margin profile of the company.

Backed by a strong Balance Sheet, and robust free cash flow generation, the committed capex will be funded through a mix of debt and internal accruals. We are expecting the capex for this project to be spread over a period of 18 months. This will further reduce our dependence on imports.

As a strategy, we have always focussed on import substitution and will continue to pursue various opportunities. We remain committed to "Atmanirbhar Bharat" vision of the Government."



About Aarti Drugs Limited

Aarti Drugs Limited was established in the year 1984 and forms part of \$1000 Million Aarti Group of Industries with robust R&D Division at Tarapur, Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation (MIDC) in close vicinity to manufacturing locations. The Company is engaged in the manufacturing of Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (APIs), Pharma Intermediates, Speciality Chemicals and produces Formulations with its wholly-owned subsidiary- Pinnacle Life Science Private Limited. Products under APIs include Ciprofloxacin Hydrochloride, Metronidazole, Metformin HCL, Ketoconazole, Ofloxacin etc. whereas Specialty Chemicals includes Benzene Sulphonyl Chloride, Methyl Nicotinate etc.

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