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INDIAN PHARMA NEWS

India's Ortho implant sector may hit \$5 billion by FY28 on strong demand

19th May 2025:

India's orthopaedic and cardiac implant sector is expected to reach USD 4.5-5 billion by 2027-28, mainly driven by strong domestic demand and gradually growing exports, a report said on Monday.

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Tata 1mg optimises e-commerce operations with Unicommerce

21st May 2025:

In a move to optimise e-commerce operations for a wide variety of its own branded products, digital healthcare company Tata 1mg has partnered with Unicommerce, one of India's leading e-commerce enablement SaaS platforms, to enhance its order processing and logistics efficiency.

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China's India headache: The growing pharmaceutical industry

25th May, 2025:

Indian CDMOs are strategically expanding through acquisitions in the US and Europe, driven by global pharma's nearshoring trend and a desire to diversify from China. These companies are investing in advanced technologies and specialized capabilities,

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INTERNATIONAL PHARMA NEWS

Novartis offers payment plan for high-cost heart medicine

27th May, 2025:

In a first-of-its-kind pricing strategy in the pharmaceutical industry, Swiss drug major Novartis has introduced a financing scheme for its cholesterol lowering drug brand Sybrava (inclisiran) in India

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VACCINE RELATED

U.S. FDA approves use of Sanofi's meningococcal vaccine in infants

27th May 2025:

The FDA approved an expanded indication for Sanofi's quadrivalent meningococcal vaccine, MenQuadfi, to include children aged 6 weeks to 23 months, for the prevention of invasive meningococcal disease (IMD) caused by *Neisseria meningitidis* serogroups

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AAYUSH RELATED

Ayush ministry signs MoU with WHO to create module for traditional Indian medicine

25th May, 2025:

In a step aimed towards global recognition of India's traditional medicine systems, the Ministry of Ayush and the World Health Organization (WHO) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to create a dedicated Traditional Medicine module within the International Classification of Health Interventions (ICHI).

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EXCIPIENT RELATED

Sustained Release Capsules Manufacturing and Handling

24th May 2025:

Patients and caregivers experience challenges following a prescribed medicine routine. If the active pharmaceutical ingredients (API) are released quickly then patients may require multiple doses of the drug. That is to maintain treatment effectiveness. Uneven treatment and adverse effects can arise from this uncertainty.

The only way to prevent this is by using a sustained release drug delivery system. These capsules help gradually release the drug over an extended period.

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POLICY RELATED

Centre reinstates RoDTEP for AAs, SEZs, and EOUs from June 1 to boost pharma export competitiveness

28th May, 2025:

In a major relief for Pharma exporters, the Union ministry of commerce and industry has announced the restoration of benefits under the Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products (RoDTEP) Scheme for holders of Advance Authorisations (AAs), Special Economic Zones (SEZs), and Export-Oriented Units (EOUs), effective from June 1, 2025.

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