

## Zydus receives approval from COFEPRIS of Mexico to market Bhava™ (Bevacizumab biosimilar) to treat various cancers

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Zydus Lifesciences Limited (including its subsidiaries/ affiliates, hereafter referred to as "Zydus") today announced that the Mexican regulatory authority COFEPRIS (Federal Commission for the Protection Against Sanitary Risk), has granted marketing approval for Bhava<sup>TM</sup>, a Bevacizumab biosimilar. Bhava<sup>TM</sup> (Bevacizumab), will be marketed in different strengths of 100 mg/4 ml and 400 mg/16 ml and used in the treatment of metastatic Colorectal Cancer (mCRC), non-squamous non-small cell lung cancer, metastatic breast cancer, glioblastoma, advanced and/or metastatic renal cell carcinoma and ovarian cancer patients. As per a WHO report of 2020, out of the total cancer cases reported in Mexico, breast, prostate, colorectal and thyroid were amongst the common cancer cases registered.

Speaking on the development, Dr. Sharvil Patel, Managing Director, Zydus said, "We welcome the approval granted to the first of our biosimilars for patients in Latin America. To bring in greater access and affordability to patients battling critical ailments, we have been developing a pipeline of biosimilars, specifically in oncology. Precision diagnostics and access to affordable therapies are empowering millions of patients in their fight against cancer in India. With Bhava<sup>TM</sup>, we begin a new journey of supporting patients with need-based therapies in Latin America."

Zydus had developed and launched the Bevacizumab biosimilar developed in-house by the research team at the Zydus Research Centre (ZRC) in 2015 in India under the brand name Bryxta<sup>TM</sup>. Since then, an estimated 50000 patients have been treated with the therapy. With twelve lifesaving biosimilars already launched in the market, Zydus has been bridging the unmet need for affordable therapies in the fight against cancer in India.

## **About Zydus:**

Zydus Lifesciences Ltd. with an overarching purpose of empowering people with freedom to live healthier and more fulfilled lives, is an innovative, global lifesciences company that discovers, develops, manufactures, and markets a broad range of healthcare therapies. The group employs 26,000 people worldwide, including 1,400 scientists engaged in R & D, and is driven by its mission to unlock new possibilities in lifesciences through quality healthcare solutions that impact lives.



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Zydus has been actively discovering and developing New Chemical Entities (NCEs) novel biologicals, several biosimilars and vaccines as a part of its innovation pipeline. Over the last decade, Zydus has introduced several innovative, first-in-class products in the market for treating unmet healthcare needs with vaccines, therapeutics, biologicals and biosimilars. The group aspires to transform lives through path-breaking discoveries. For more details visit www.zyduslife.com



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