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### **Indian Immunologicals to launch 4 vaccines in a year**

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NEW DELHI: Indian Immunologicals Ltd, a subsidiary of National Dairy Development Board, today said it will launch four vaccines in the next one year and will invest Rs 150 crore to set up a new manufacturing facility in Hyderabad "The new facility will come up by the middle of next year near Hyderabad in an area of 50 acres and will produce both animal and human vaccines," Indian Immunologicals Ltd(IIL) Managing Director K V Balasubramaniam said.

At present, the company has two vaccine manufacturing units in Ooty and Hyderabad.

"We would come up with Pentavalent vaccine for humans as well as vaccines for Japanese encephalitis, Bucillosis and Recombinant Tick in animals," Balasubramaniam said.

Pentavalent vaccine combines five different vaccines in one injection to protect against five diseases including Tetanus and Hepatitis B.

He said once the new plant goes on stream, it will produce the four new vaccines that the company plans to introduce in the market.

Talking about the capacity of the plant, he said it will depend on the type of vaccines, but on the whole it would help add Rs 150 crore to the company's turnover by 2013.

The company, which was created by National Dairy Development Board with the objective of making foot and mouth disease (FMD) vaccines available for farmers at affordable prices and gradually expanded to other areas, clocked a sales turnover of Rs 271 crore in 2009-10.

The company started with animal vaccines in 1982 and then started manufacturing human vaccines in the year 2000.

"Both human and animal segments contributed equally to the turnover this fiscal, while Rs 40 crore came from company's exports," he added.

Driven by the new vaccine launch, the company hopes for a 30-35 per cent rise in its turnover to Rs 400 crore in the FY'11. The company, which has a marketing tie up with Pfizer for selling foot and mouth disease (FMD) vaccines in Thailand and Vietnam, is also planning to expand it to the Philippines.

"Apart from Thailand and Vietnam, we are trying to supply vaccines to Philippines with the help of Pfizer," he added.

Further, the company is working on to develop new vaccines, which could be launched by 2012.

"We are working on developing vaccines for Chikungunya and Hepatitis A for humans and Infectious Bovine Rhinotracheitis (IBR) vaccine for cattle," Balasubramaniam said.