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Eisai Opens New Manufacturing and Process Research Base in India

Eisai Co., Ltd. (Headquarters: Tokyo, President and CEO: Hauro Naito) today announced the completion of construction of the Eisai Knowledge Centre, India, the Company's new manufacturing and process research base in India. Eisai will advance preparations such as technical transfer, process validation, stability test, towards the full scale operations scheduled to start by the end of fiscal year 2010.

The new facility will be Eisai's first base to integrate Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (APIs) and formulation manufacturing and API process research functions on one site. Eisai has made a total investment of approximately five billion yen on a 50-acre campus in the Special Economic Zone at Jawaharlal Nehru Pharma City located in Visakhapatnam (Vizag), Andhra Pradesh in south India.

Eisai Knowledge Centre, India was built with the aim of creating a future global hub capable of ensuring a stable supply of high quality pharmaceutical products and achieving innovation in API synthesis processes that will provide the platform for producing such products. In addition to the manufacturing of APIs and formulations of its major products such as the Alzheimer's disease treatment Aricept[®], Eisai plans to conduct API process research and manufacture API and formulations of the company's next generation global products. After the opening of the Eisai Knowledge Centre, India, the Company's API production will be handled by this facility together with the Kashima plant, Eisai's another manufacturing plant in Japan.

With the operation of the Eisai Knowledge Centre, India, Eisai will further promote its *hhc* (human health care) philosophy and will continue to contribute to increasing the benefits of patients and their families around the globe by ensuring a stable supply of high quality pharmaceutical products that meet the various needs of different countries and markets around the world.

**[Please refer to the following notes for the outline and images
of the Eisai Knowledge Centre, India]**

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<Notes to Editors>

■ **Outline of Eisai Knowledge Centre, India**

Company Name: Eisai Pharmatechnology & Manufacturing Pvt. Ltd.
Location: Visakhapatnam (Vizag), Andhra Pradesh, India
President: Sanjit Singh Lamba
Site Area: Approximately 50 acres
Scope of Business: Manufacturing and research of Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (APIs) and formulations.
No. of Employees: Approximately 100 (including 20 researchers) (as of November 30, 2009)
Products to be manufactured: APIs and formulations of Aricept, Myonal, and next generation global products
Production Capacity: (APIs) one billion tablets per year, (formulations) 30 tons per year

■ **Images of Eisai Knowledge Centre, India**



Main Entrance



API Lab



API Building



Formulation Building