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The National Stock Exchange of India Ltd
Exchange Plaza, Bandra Kurla Complex
Mumbai - 400 051

Bombay Stock Exchange Limited
1st floor, Rotunda Building, Dalal Street
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Sub: - Intimation under Regulation 30 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015

This is for the information of all concerned that Merck KGaA, Germany, the ultimate holding Company of the Company has announced that it is preparing for strategic options for its Consumer health business globally including a potential full or partial sale of the business as well as strategic partnerships. This strategic initiative would involve the Company's consumer health business in India as well, the implementation of potential measures and their specific design are subject to further analysis and decision making by competent bodies.

Copy of the press release issued by Merck KGaA in this respect is attached herewith.

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Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,
For Merck Limited


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Ad hoc

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Publication of an ad-hoc announcement in accordance with Art. 17 Market Abuse Regulation

Merck KGaA/ Key word(s): Merck KGaA prepares strategic options for its Consumer Health business

Darmstadt, September 5, 2017. Merck KGaA is currently preparing strategic options for its Consumer Health business, including a potential full or partial sale of the business as well as strategic partnerships. Merck KGaA is convinced that this will support a focused development of its Consumer Health business.

The implementation of potential measures and their specific design are subject to further analysis and decision making by the executive board and the other competent bodies.

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