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OPPI

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Headline: Ranjana Smetacek takes over as Director General of OPPI

Synopsis: The Organization of Pharmaceutical Producers of India announced that Ranjana Smetacek has taken over as the Director General of the organization with effect from October 3. Smetacek has over 25 years of experience with various global and Indian companies in public relations, corporate communications and Government Affairs in India, the US and in other continents, OPPI said in a statement.

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Headline: OPPI appoints Ranjana Smetacek as director general

Synopsis: The article reports that Ms Ranjana Smetacek has taken over as the director general of the Organization of Pharmaceutical Producers of India (OPPI), effective October 3, 2013. Ms Smetacek has over 25 years of experience with various global and Indian companies in public relations, corporate communications and government affairs in India, the US and in several other countries. She has also been associated with the healthcare, hospitality and telecom industries, among others, on various national and international projects.

Vaccines

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Headline: WHO okays cheaper JE vaccine

Synopsis: The World Health Organization (WHO) on Wednesday approved a vaccine that protects children from a deadly brain infection — Japanese encephalitis (JE) — that has claimed several hundred lives in the last six years.

Drug Pricing

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Headline: Essential medicine shortage: Centre asks states to intervene

Synopsis: With essential medicines in short supply and major multinational manufacturers saying distributors aren't lifting stocks, the Union government has asked state regulators to intervene. The development is a sequel to the central government's new price regulation, aiming to cut the prices of some key medicines by up to 90 per cent.