DCGI allows Natco Pharma to launch generic hepatitis-C drug Harvoni

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NEW DELHI: The Drug Controller General of India (DCGI) on Tuesday allowed Natco Pharma to launch the generic version of US-based Gilead Sciences Inc’s hepatitis-C drug Harvoni in India. With this, Natco has become the second Indian drug maker to get DCGI nod for generic Harvoni in India. Last week, the India drug regulator had approved Hetero Drugs Ltd’s copycat version of Harvoni.

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"It is indicated for the treatment of Chronic Hepatitis C (CHC) genotype one infection in adults. “This single-tablet regimen is the first of its kind to offer significantly higher cure rates in Genotype-1 CHC infection compared to conventional therapies,” the company added.