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Dear Sirs,

Sub: Press Release

Please find attached Press Release issued by the Company titled:

'Strides enters the large China pharmaceutical market in a joint venture with Sihuan Pharmaceutical'

Also, enclosed is the disclosure under Regulation 30 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 on the said transaction.

Thanks & Regards, For Strides Pharma Science Limited

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Manjula Ramamurthy Company Secretary

Encl: As Above



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Strides enters the large China pharmaceutical market in a joint venture with Sihuan Pharmaceutical

Mumbai, India, July 29, 2019 - Strides Pharma Science Limited (Strides) today announced that its step down subsidiary Strides Pharma Global Pte, Singapore (SPG) has entered into a Joint Venture (JV) with Sun Moral International (HK) Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sihuan Pharmaceutical Holdings Group Ltd (Sihuan), one of China's leading pharmaceutical companies. The board of directors of Strides have taken this on record.

Strategic Rationale

- The JV fast tracks Strides' entry into China, the second-largest pharmaceutical market in the World offering a \$137 billion (IQVIA) market opportunity
- **Sihuan** is one of the leading pharmaceutical companies in China's prescription drug market with a market share of 8.3% in the **cardio-cerebral vascular market** and strong positioning in other therapeutic areas.
- The recent regulatory developments in China has enabled fast track approvals of differentiated highquality generics approved in key regulated markets. Strides' specialized basket of 140+ products qualifies for the program, and this JV will be able to leverage it in China
- Strides will immediately license four high potential products to the JV which will add significant value to Sihuan's existing portfolio
- Strides will supply these products to the JV from its manufacturing facilities at India and Singapore. The JV will explore setting up local manufacturing in China in due course.

Transaction Structure

- Both the companies will set up a new JV company based in Hong Kong to be christened as Sihuan Strides HK Ltd. SPG will own a 49% stake in this company.
- Strides will license four products immediately to this JV with an option to expand the portfolio subsequently. Strides will receive a licensing fee for each product in-licensed to the JV
- Sihuan will leverage its 4000+ strong salesforce and 3000+ distributors across Mainland China to market the products

Arun Kumar, Group CEO and Managing Director, Strides, remarked, "We are delighted to partner with Sihuan Pharmaceutical with the initial set of products having a significant market opportunity in China. We look forward to strengthening the partnership in the near term to build a strong pharmaceutical franchise in China."

Dr. Che Fengsheng, Chairman and Executive Director, Sihuan, remarked, "The cooperation between Sihuan Pharmaceutical and Strides is a powerful collaboration. Sihuan will give full scope to the JV in sales and marketing strategies and continue to expand the market rapidly through our marketing channels."

About Strides

Strides, listed on the BSE Limited (532531) and National Stock Exchange of India Limited (STAR), is a global pharmaceutical company headquartered in Bangalore, India. The Company mainly operates in the regulated markets and has an "in Africa for Africa" strategy along with an institutional business to service donor-funded markets. The Company's global manufacturing sites are located in India- Bangalore (two sites), Pondicherry, and Chennai, Singapore, Italy- Milan, and Kenya- Nairobi. The Company focusses on "difficult to manufacture" products that are sold in over 100 countries. Additional information is available at the Company's website at <u>www.strides.com</u>

About Sihuan Pharmaceutical

Sihuan Pharmaceutical Holding Group Ltd. Listed on the HKEX (0460.HK) is a Hong Kong-based investment holding company principally engaged in pharmaceutical businesses. The Company is mainly engaged in the research and development, manufacture, and sales of pharmaceutical products in China. Its products are applicable in cardio-cerebral vascular (CCV) system, central nervous system, metabolism, oncology, and anti-infective fields. Additional information is available at the Company's website at <u>ww.sihuanpharm.com</u>

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Sr. No	Particulars	Remarks
1.	Name of the Target entity, details in brief such as size, turnover etc.	Strides Pharma Global Pte Ltd and Sun Moral International (HK) Ltd have entered into a Joint Venture Agreement to incorporate a JV Company in Hong Kong.JV entity name is proposed as "Sihuan Strides (HK) Limited" or such other name as may be approved by the relevant authority.
2.	Whether the acquisition of the Target entity falls within the related party Transaction and whether the promoter/ promoter group/group companies have any interest in the entity being acquired	No
3.	Industry to which Target entity being acquired belongs	Pharmaceutical Industry
4.	Objects and effects of acquisition	To enter into the Chinese pharmaceutical market by capitalising on the existing Strides product portfolio. Strides will be immediately licensing 4 products to the JV company for registration in China.
5.	Brief details of any governmental or regulatory approvals required for the acquisition	No
6.	Indicative time period for completion	By end of September 2019

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7.	Nature of consideration	Investment proposed by both the JV partners:
		Sun Moral: USD 2,550,000
		Strides : USD 2,450,000
8.	Percentage of shareholding/ control acquired and/ or number of shares acquired	Strides Pharma Global 49% stake in the JV Company
9.	Cost of acquisition or the price at which the shares are acquired	As mentioned in Item 7
10.		
a.	Products/line of business acquired	Not Applicable
b.	Date of incorporation	
с.	History of last 3 years turnover	
d.	Country in which the acquired entity has presence	
e.	Any other significant information	