



Bharat Biotech Celebrates 3 Decades of Scientific Excellence and Global Vaccine Leadership

Hyderabad, India, 13, March 2026: **Bharat Biotech** celebrated 30 years of scientific innovation, public health impact, and its continued commitment to protecting lives in India and around the world. Commemorating this significant milestone, the company unveiled a special anniversary logo symbolising its three-decade legacy of excellence and impact.

The logo was unveiled by its founders, **Dr. Krishna Ella, Executive Chairman**, and **Mrs. Suchitra Ella, Managing Director**, amid enthusiastic applause from its large workforce at its Genome Valley facility. The celebration marked the beginning of a year-long calendar of initiatives highlighting the company's journey and reaffirming its focus on advancing global health.

Founded in 1996 by **Dr. Krishna Ella, widely regarded as the Father of Genome Valley**, and **Mrs. Suchitra Ella, a driving force behind India's vaccine innovation ecosystem**, Bharat Biotech began its journey on the outskirts of Hyderabad with a bold vision to build world-class, research-driven vaccines in India. As one of the earliest anchor industries in the region, the company played a catalytic role in transforming the region into Genome Valley, a globally recognised biotechnology hub, now acknowledged as Asia's largest life sciences cluster. Over three decades, Bharat Biotech has helped position India as a trusted innovator and supplier of affordable, high-quality vaccines to the world.

Reflecting on the milestone, Dr. Krishna Ella, Executive Chairman, Bharat Biotech said, "Thirty years ago, we started Bharat Biotech with a simple but powerful belief, that Indian science can solve global health challenges. Our strength has always been our scientists, our proprietary technologies, and our commitment to innovation with purpose. Every vaccine we developed carries the hard work of teams who believed that affordable healthcare is a right, not a privilege."

Mrs. Suchitra K Ella, Managing Director, Bharat Biotech, expressed, "This journey is about people, the researchers in our labs, the partners who trusted us, and the families whose lives have been protected by our vaccines. We built our own intellectual property, our own manufacturing strengths, and our own scientific platforms because we believed India must lead, not follow. As we enter advanced cell and gene therapy, we remain guided by the same mission: science for society."

From its early breakthrough in developing one of the world's most affordable recombinant Hepatitis B vaccines, Bharat Biotech established itself as a pioneer in accessible vaccine innovation, focused on addressing infectious and neglected diseases that disproportionately affect emerging nations.

Over the years, the company has developed and supplied vaccines that form an integral part of national and global immunization programs, including vaccines against Rotavirus, Japanese Encephalitis, Malaria (RTS, S), and Typhoid Conjugate Disease, reinforcing its commitment to advancing equitable healthcare worldwide.



A defining milestone in the company's journey was the development of its indigenous Rotavirus vaccine through an Indo-U.S. public-private partnership, aimed at protecting millions of children from life-threatening diarrheal disease. Reinforcing its commitment to equitable access, Dr. Krishna Ella pledged to make the vaccine available at an affordable price of just US\$1 per dose for public health programs—an unprecedented step that emphasised the company's mission to deliver high-quality, life-saving vaccines at scale for the developing world.

The company's Japanese Encephalitis vaccine significantly strengthened India's response to a recurring and often fatal seasonal threat. It further advanced global immunisation efforts with the development and introduction of a pioneering Typhoid Conjugate Vaccine (TCV), expanding access to longer-lasting protection against typhoid fever, particularly in low- and middle-income countries. The company is also advancing MTBVAC, a tuberculosis vaccine candidate, as part of ongoing efforts to address global TB burden.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Bharat Biotech demonstrated its scientific agility with the rapid development of COVAXIN®, India's first indigenously developed COVID-19 vaccine. Developed under a public-private partnership in collaboration with the Indian Council of Medical Research, COVAXIN® emerged as a powerful symbol of India's scientific capability and self-reliance. The vaccine received Emergency Use Authorization in multiple countries and played a meaningful role in global vaccination efforts during one of the most challenging public health crises in modern history.

Bharat Biotech has also established global leadership in rabies prevention, emerging as the world's largest manufacturer of rabies vaccines and playing a critical role in expanding access to life-saving post-exposure prophylaxis.

Reinforcing its commitment to scale and next-generation innovation, the company established **Sapigen Biologix** at the Odisha Biotech Park—an ambitious life sciences ecosystem envisioned by Dr. Krishna Ella to catalyse regional biotechnology development to address global public health priorities.

Recently, Bharat Biotech stepped into the future with advanced research in cell and gene therapies through **Nucelion Therapeutics**, expanding beyond traditional vaccines into next-generation biotechnology solutions. This move reflects the company's ambition to tackle complex diseases through precision science, innovative platforms, and transformative technologies.

Over the past 30 years, Bharat Biotech has grown from a single facility in Hyderabad into a global vaccine powerhouse. Today, the company boasts a portfolio of 20 vaccines, world-class manufacturing sites in Hyderabad, Ankleshwar, and Odisha, and a robust intellectual property portfolio with over 220 granted patents. With a growing workforce of over 4,000 employees and having delivered more than 9 billion doses of vaccines to over 125 countries.



About Bharat Biotech

Established in 1996 on the outskirts of Hyderabad, Bharat Biotech emerged as a pioneering anchor industry that catalysed the development of Genome Valley, now recognized as Asia's largest life sciences cluster. Over three decades, the company has grown from a single facility into a global biotechnology leader, operating world-class R&D, Bio-Safety Level 3 manufacturing, and vertically integrated cell and gene therapy facilities.

Bharat Biotech has a strong track record of innovation with over 220 granted patents and 415 filed, a portfolio of 20 vaccines and 4 biotherapeutics, registrations in more than 125 countries, and multiple WHO pre-qualifications. Having delivered more than 9 billion doses globally, its breakthroughs include vaccines against influenza H1N1, Rotavirus (ROTAVAC[®]), Japanese Encephalitis (JENVAC[®]), Rabies (Chirorab[®] and Indirab[®]), Chikungunya, Zika, Cholera (HILLCHOL[®]), Malaria (RTS,S), and the world's first tetanus-toxoid conjugated vaccine for Typhoid (Typbar TCV[®]), establishing the company as a pioneer in accessible and affordable vaccine innovation. The company is also advancing MTBVAC, a tuberculosis vaccine candidate, as part of ongoing efforts to address the global TB burden.

Bharat Biotech's global leadership is further strengthened through its sister companies:

- **Chiron Behring Vaccines**, making it one of the world's largest rabies vaccine manufacturers,
- **Sapigen Biologix**, its multi-crore manufacturing hub in Bhubaneswar, Odisha, producing up to 8 billion doses annually with a focus on malaria, cholera, polio, and upcoming vaccines for Chikungunya and Zika, and
- **Nucelion**, driving advanced research in next-generation vaccine platforms, cell and gene therapies, and large-scale production.

With a commitment to indigenous innovation, public-private partnerships, and global social impact, Bharat Biotech continues to advance scientific frontiers, strengthen global health security, and deliver life-saving vaccines to millions worldwide. To learn more, visit www.bharatbiotech.com.

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