

Bharat Biotech's ROTAVAC receives National Technology Award from the President of India

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Dr. Harsha Vardhan, Hon'ble Union Minister for Science and Technology, Earth Sciences, Environment, Forests and Climate change and Prof. Ashutosh Sharma, Chairperson, Technology Development Board and Secretary, Department of Science and Technology were also present at the event



Bharat Biotech announces the receipt of the National Technology Award for 2018 from the Technology Development Board, Govt of India.

This prestigious award on innovative technologies, successfully developed and commercialized from India was bestowed on ROTAVAC®, by the **Hon'ble President of India Shri. Ram Nath Kovind**.

Launched in 2015 by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi ROTAVAC ® was introduced into the Universal Immunization Program in India during 2016, with initial implementation in 9 states with more States in the pipeline.

Till date, Bharat Biotech has supplied ~ 35 million doses to the UIP. ROTAVAC ® is already saving infant lives and lowering the cost of hospitalizations across India. The company has also initiated supply of WHO Prequalified ROTAVAC® to UNICEF and other Immunization programs worldwide.

Ecstatic about the Presidential honour and the highly prestigious National Award, **Dr. Krishna M Ella, Chairman and Managing Director, Bharat Biotech** said: "We are proud to receive the National Technology Award 2018 for ROTAVAC®, it proves that researchers and product developers from India are capable to develop and commercialize innovative technologies for the world."

The national award from the Technology Development Board award recognizes organizations who have forged powerful partnerships with the national laboratories and to create knowledge networks with academic institutions to promote research and development and to gain entry into global markets. The nominees for the award and winners were selected on the basis of their extraordinary knowledge in and contributions to scientific innovation.

ROTAVAC® boasts a large family of intellectual property with patents filed in more than 35 countries and granted in 10 countries including India, USA, China, EU, Japan, UK etc. Bharat Biotech currently, holds a portfolio of 60 patents and has delivered more than 3 billion doses of vaccines to over 65 countries.

Since its inception, Bharat Biotech's founding vision and strategy was to develop vaccines for neglected diseases and cater to people who suffer from these diseases especially the underprivileged who live in the emerging world.

Mrs. Suchitra Ella, the Joint Managing Director of Bharat Biotech added,“We are highly thankful to the Technology Development Board and the Govt of India for selecting ROTAVAC®. This inspires our team to continue our efforts in vaccines innovation and product development for India and beyond”