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With the goal to offer quality diagnosis and better treatment outcomes for patients, CAP, the world leader in laboratory quality assurance and improvement and BD Diagnostics, a segment of BD (Becton, Dickinson and Company), a leading global medical technology company, announced the launch of a new strategic alliance that would help more pathology labs in the country to offer high quality services at par with the rest of the world.

CAP President Stanley J. Robboy, MD, FCAP said "As countries around the world heighten their focus on healthcare, patients and healthcare professionals wish to achieve higher quality across the entire spectrum of care." He further added "The clinical laboratory and pathology contribute more than 70 percent of the information used to determine diagnoses and drive treatment decisions."

Laboratories play a pivotal role in the diagnosis and treatment of disease for more than a billion people in India. In unison BD and CAP will strive hard to improve awareness of global practice standards and training that will help laboratories attain their quality improvement goals.

"This historic initiative brings together two of the leading global organisations that are ideally positioned to support laboratory improvement efforts around the world, particularly in India" said John Ledek, President, BD diagnostics - Preanalytical Systems. "BD has widespread reach across the sector of healthcare and laboratory testing operations, with a deep understanding of quality processes from both a technical and clinical perspective." added Mr. Ledek.