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Glenmark first to launch triple FDC of Teneligliptin + Pioglitazone + Metformin for diabetes

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Priced at Rs 14.90 per day, it will reduce the daily cost of therapy by 40%, making it more affordable to the masses



Mumbai-based Glenmark Pharmaceuticals has launched the first triple fixed-dose combination (FDC) Teneligliptin with Pioglitazone and Metformin in India. Teneligliptin is a widely used DPP4 inhibitor (Dipeptidyl Peptidase 4 inhibitor). This FDC has been launched under the brand name Zita-PioMet, and contains Teneligliptin (20 mg) + Pioglitazone (15 mg) + Metformin (500mg/1000mg) in a sustained release (SR) formulation.

This offers patients with Type 2 diabetes the convenience of once daily dosing to improve their glycemic control and achieve the targeted HbA1c within 24 weeks.

Alok Malik, EVP & Business Head for India Formulations, Glenmark Pharmaceuticals, said, "Type 2 diabetes patients in India often face issues of beta cell dysfunction along with insulin resistance. In fact, the prevalence of high insulin resistance in India is 38% compared to the global incidence of 15%."

According to IQVIA sales data for the 12-month period ending November 2022, the market for oral anti-diabetic drugs in India is estimated to be Rs 11,877 crore with an annual growth of 6.3% against the corresponding period last year (MAT November 2021). As per the International Diabetes Federation (IDF), the prevalence of diabetes in India is expected to increase to 125 million by 2045, 77% of which would have uncontrolled diabetes.