

DR REDDYS LABORATORIES LTD

Form 6-K

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FORM 6-K
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

November, 2003

Commission File Number 1-15182

DR. REDDY S LABORATORIES LIMITED

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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Yes No

If Yes is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):

Not applicable.

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- (1) Press Release, Dr. Reddy's receives final approval for AmVaz (Amlodipine Maleate), First Indian Pharmaceutical Company to receive FDA approval for a NDA under Sec. 505(b)(2) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetics Act, November 3, 2003

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Dr. Reddy's receives final approval for AmVaz™(Amlodipine Maleate)

First Indian Pharmaceutical Company to receive FDA approval for a NDA
under Sec. 505(b)(2) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetics Act

Hyderabad, India, November 3, 2003: Dr. Reddy's Laboratories (NYSE:RDY) announced today that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has approved the Company's NDA for AmVaz (Amlodipine Maleate).

Commenting on the development, GV Prasad, CEO, Dr. Reddy's Laboratories, said, "the final approval, the first for an Indian Pharmaceutical Company, marks a significant milestone for Dr. Reddy's, setting the stage for the launch of our first specialty branded product in the United States. We have not made a final decision on the launch date. But we are making all necessary preparations for the launch and are in the process of finalizing a co-promotion partner for AmVaz (Amlodipine Maleate) in the United States.

The Company has active development programs on a number of differentiated compounds in major therapeutic categories and expects additional NDA filings during the current fiscal year.

The Company is also preparing to launch Amlodipine Maleate in Europe upon expiration of the Supplementary Protection Certificate in March 2004.

Dr. Reddy's US product pipeline currently comprises 27 ANDAs, 2 NDAs (including Amlodipine Maleate) and 44 DMFs. Of these ANDAs, 20 were submitted under Paragraph IV. During the current fiscal, the Company expects to file 15-18 ANDAs, 15 DMFs and additional NDAs.

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Dr. Reddy s Laboratories Limited

(Registrant)

Date: November 4, 2003

By:

/s/ Santosh Kumar Nair

(Signature)*

Santosh Kumar Nair
Company Secretary

* Print the name and title of the signing officer under his signature.