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VITAMIN

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BASF confirmed that it is holding exploratory talks with the RAG Foundation and Evonik Industries regarding a potential acquisition of Evonik. The progress and outcome of the discussions remain uncertain. As part of its corporate strategy, BASF continues to evaluate strategic acquisition opportunities that strengthen its core businesses, offer strong strategic fit, support profitable growth, and create value, while maintaining a cautious and disciplined approach.

AMINO ACID

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- As a key China–Kazakhstan cooperation project, Fufeng Group Shengtai Biotechnology Co., Ltd. in Kazakhstan's Zhambyl Region officially commenced production on September 25. The online commissioning ceremony was held during the Kazakhstan–China Investment Forum, connecting the event with the project's production site.
- The project is also designed to establish an integrated industrial chain covering large-scale corn cultivation, deep processing, and agricultural-industrial-trade integration, creating a complete cycle from agricultural production to deep processing and filling an important gap in the region's modern agricultural industrialization.

API

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- The veterinary API market remained broadly stable last week, with most products fluctuating at bottom levels. Amoxicillin quotations rose again, while Florfenicol prices strengthened as low-priced supply declined. Tylosin Tartrate and Tilmicosin Phosphate remained at bottom levels, while Enrofloxacin and Ciprofloxacin weakened slightly.
- India's IOL Chemicals and Pharmaceuticals approved an INR 4.95 billion investment to add 6,000 MT/year of Ibuprofen API capacity, increasing total capacity from 12,000 to 18,000 MT/year (+50%). Commercial production is expected in December 2027.

FOOD ADDITIVE

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In the sweetener segment, Sucralose transaction prices stabilized at around USD 12.20–12.42/KG amid raw material market developments and are expected to remain stable in the short term. For nutritional ingredients, Creatine Monohydrate prices remained around USD 3.0–3.3/KG, with some producers suspending quotations or raising prices due to higher raw material costs; delivery schedules extend into late September. L-Carnitine prices also increased, with mainstream producers adjusting quotations to around USD 24.44–25.76/KG, and the market is expected to remain stable going forward.

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