

Avendus Capital advises Reckitt on the sale of Dermicool to Emami

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Emami Limited announces the acquisition of **"Dermicool"**, one of the leading brands in the prickly heat powder and cool talc category, from Reckitt. The transaction is subject to customary closing conditions.

Avendus Capital was the exclusive financial advisor to Reckitt on this transaction.

The brand is popular for providing cooling and respite from prickly heat caused during summer season and has high consumer connect through its marketing campaign jingle, '*Aaya Mausam Thande Thande Dermicool Ka'*. It commands ~20% market share in the high growth and low penetrated category. Combined with Emami's Navratna Cool Talc, Emami will become a leader in this niche category which would also help realize synergetic benefits and optimize costs.

Abha Agarwal, Executive Director and Co-head, Consumer, FIG & Business Services, Avendus Capital said, "It is an honor to advise one of the world's leading FMCG players on this transaction. Reckitt's leading prickly heat powder brand, Dermicool is synonymous with providing cooling relief in the summer. I'm sure that it will continue to scale new heights under Emami."

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