

News Details

Calling The Shots

Nov 08, 2002

He believes he can do better than any MNC - at a fraction of the cost. KRISHNA M ELLA of Bharat Biotech is busy brewing recipes for affordable vaccines - and awaiting a visit from Big Bill himself.

His idea of a holiday is a week's trip to the forests of Kerala to study why elephants do not develop kidney stones despite gorging on tons of green leaves. "I've not been able to take a break yet, but I'm definitely looking forward to it," he says.

That's **Krishna M. Ella**, the 45 year-old Chairman and Managing Director of bioproducts company Bharat Biotech International Limited, whose tweaking of genes in his laboratory outside Hyderabad has produced some much needed vaccines, till now the preserve of MNCs.