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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of August, 2010

Commission File Number 000-22286

Taro Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd. (Translation of registrant's name into English)

14 Hakitor Street, Haifa Bay 26110, Israel (Address of principal executive office)

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August 23, 2010

Dear Fellow Shareholders:

The facts speak for themselves -

- Sales for the first half of 2010 grew to approximately \$187 million
- Net income for the first half of 2010 increased more than 24% to approximately \$29 million, compared to the same period in 2009
- Cash provided by operations for the first half of 2010 nearly doubled from the prior year period, to approximately \$24 million
- Cash on June 30, 2010, including restricted cash and short-term bank deposits, was approximately \$118 million, an increase of over 49% from the level one year earlier
- Net debt on June 30, 2010 was approximately \$23 million, nearly 74% lower than net debt one year earlier
 - Taro has now completed 14 consecutive quarters of profitability
 - Taro has issued audited financial statements for 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007
 - We continue to expect that the 2008 and 2009 audits will be completed by year-end

Our preliminary, unaudited results for the first half of 2010, presented below, make clear that these favorable trends are continuing. During the first six months of 2010, cash continued to increase, while net debt continued to decrease. Net sales, gross profit and operating income reached record highs. Taro's performance in each of its major markets (U.S., Canada and Israel) contributed to this success. The Company continues to grow its portfolio of generic prescription and over-the-counter products, as well as proprietary products.

The graph below presents the Company's net sales, gross profit, operating income and net income for the first six months of 2008, 2009 and 20101.

¹ The financial information presented herein does not constitute complete financial information, has not been reviewed by the Company's independent auditors and is subject to change as the Company continues to work with its auditors to complete its 2008 and 2009 audits in order to become current with its financial reporting obligations. The data presented for the first half of 2008 and 2009 is the same as that previously reported by the Company for those periods. However, audited financial results for the full years 2008 and 2009 will be reported in filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission as soon as they become available, and may differ from the information previously reported by the Company. Subject to the foregoing caveats, the information presented herein represents the best information currently available to Taro management and the Company believes that it fairly presents the Company's results of operations.

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The graph below shows cash and cash equivalents as of June 30, 2008, 2009 and 2010.

The graph below depicts Taro's net income and earnings per share for the first half of 2008, 2009 and 2010.

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During the period from December 31, 2007 to June 30, 2010 Taro significantly reduced its debt, as shown on the following graph. Net debt is defined as total debt offset by the value of hedging instruments and cash on hand.

Taro's management plans to continue to focus its energy on maintaining the momentum in the business and on working with its auditors to complete the 2008 and 2009 audits. Following the completion of the audits, we will turn our attention to re-listing the Company's shares on a national stock exchange.

Sincerely,

Barrie Levitt, M.D. Chairman

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Certain statements in this release are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements include, but are not limited to, statements that do not describe historical facts and statements that refer or relate to events or circumstances the Company "estimates," "believes," or "expects" to happen or similar language, and statements with respect to the Company's financial performance, including its financial performance during the last three years, availability of financial information, completion of the 2008 and 2009 audits, estimates of financial results and financial information for 2008-2010. Although Taro Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd. believes the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements to be based on reasonable assumptions, it can give no assurances that its expectations will be attained. Factors that could cause actual results to differ include the possible unavailability of financial information, completion of the audits of 2008 and 2009, actions of the Company's lenders, creditors and Sun Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd. ("Sun"), including but not limited to the outcome of litigation with Sun, general domestic and international economic conditions, industry and market conditions, changes in the Company's financial position, litigation brought by any party in any court in Israel, the United States, or any country in which Taro operates, regulatory actions and legislative actions in the countries in which Taro operates, and other risks detailed from time to time in the Company's SEC reports, including its Annual Reports on Form 20-F. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date on which they are made. The Company undertakes no obligations to update, change or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, additional or subsequent developments or otherwise.

Financial Tables to Follow

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TARO PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRIES LTD. SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (US dollars in thousands, except per share data)

| | Unaudited and Unreviewed | | | |
|---|--------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Six Months Ended June 30, | |
| | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 |
| NET SALES | \$97,968 | \$96,817 | \$187,272 | \$181,710 |
| Cost of Sales | 41,335 | 38,926 | 79,292 | 77,277 |
| Gross Profit | 56,633 | 57,891 | 107,980 | 104,433 |
| Operating Expenses: | | | | |
| Selling and Administrative | 27,618 | 27,675 | 52,986 | 51,340 |
| Operating Income before | | | | |
| Research | | | | |
| and Development | 29,015 | 30,216 | 54,994 | 53,093 |
| Research and Development | 9,138 | 9,583 | 18,138 | 18,439 |
| Operating Income | 19,877 | 20,633 | 36,856 | 34,654 |
| Financial Expenses: | | | | |
| Interest and other Financial | | | | |
| Expenses | 2,440 | 1,873 | 3,716 | 4,139 |
| Foreign Exchange Fluctuations | (4,339) | 5,645 | (536) | 3,069 |
| Other Income | 22 | 9 | (127) | 147 |
| | 21,798 | 13,124 | 33,549 | 27,593 |
| Taxes on Income | 2,868 | 633 | 4,377 | 3,998 |
| NET INCOME | \$18,930 | \$12,491 | \$29,172 | \$23,595 |
| Basic Earnings Per Ordinary Share Diluted Earnings Per Ordinary | \$0.48 | \$0.32 | \$0.74 | \$0.60 |
| Share | \$0.46 | \$0.31 | \$0.71 | \$0.58 |
| Weighted Average Number of Shares Used to Compute: Basic EPS Diluted EPS | 39,249,342 41,434,830 | 39,217,276 40,509,103 | 39,249,342 41,203,849 | 39,202,769 40,547,049 |
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Letter to Shareholders, August 23, 2010

TARO PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRIES LTD. SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (US dollars in thousands)

| | Unaudited and Unreviewed | |
|---|--------------------------|---------------------|
| | June 30, | December 31, |
| | 2010 | 2009 |
| | | |
| Assets | | |
| Current Assets: | | |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents | \$ 86,309 | \$ 98,439 |
| Short-Term Bank Deposits | 26,295 | 9,427 |
| Restricted Short-Term Bank Deposits | 5,250 | 5,250 |
| Marketable Securities | 2,695 | |
| Accounts Receivable: | 2,000 | |
| Trade, net | 76,671 | 72,695 |
| Other Receivables, Prepaid Expenses and Other | 21,837 | 21,226 |
| Inventories | 75,273 | 65,341 |
| Total Current Assets | 294,330 | 272,378 |
| | | , |
| Long-Term Investments | 22,509 | 23,307 |
| Property, Plant and Equipment, net | 172,212 | 180,440 |
| Other Assets | 31,203 | 32,175 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | \$520,254 | \$508,300 |
| | | |
| | | |
| Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity | | |
| Current Liabilities: | | |
| Short-Term Bank Credits | \$ 88,771 | \$ 89,935 |
| | 17,005 | \$ 89,955 29,265 |
| Current Maturities of Long-Term Debt Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses | 109,196 | 101,608 |
| Total Current Liabilities | 214,972 | 220,808 |
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| Long-Term Liabilities | 37,591 | 38,372 |
| Deferred Taxes and Other Liabilities | 11,595 | 11,293 |
| Total Liabilities | 264,158 | 270,473 |
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| Shareholders' Equity | 256,096 | 237,827 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES AND | , | , . |
| SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY | \$520,254 | \$508,300 |
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TARO PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRIES LTD. SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASHFLOWS (US dollars in thousands)

Unaudited and Unreviewed

| | Six Months Ended June 30, | |
|--|---------------------------|----------|
| | 2010 | 2009 |
| Operating Activities: | | |
| Net income | \$29,172 | \$23,595 |
| Adjustments required to reconcile net income to net | | |
| cash | | |
| provided by operating activities: | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | 9,298 | 9,708 |
| Stock based compensation | 177 | 152 |
| Increase in long-term debt due to currency | |) |
| fluctuations | 245 | (791 |
| Increase in trade receivables | (11,169) | (16,105) |
| Increase in other receivables and prepaid tax | 100 | (4,896) |
| Decrease (increase) in inventories | (7,890) | 4,886 |
| Foreign exchange effect on intercompany balances | (906) | 2,960 |
| Increase (decrease) in trade and other payables and | |) |
| accruals | 5,036 | (5,978 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 24,063 | 13,531 |
| Investing Activities: | | |
| Purchase of property plant & equipment, net of |) |) |
| related grants | (816) | (1,636 |
| Investment in other intangible assets | (2,528) | (108) |
| Investment in short-term bank deposits | (32,028) | - |
| Proceeds from sale of short-term bank deposit | 12,489 | - |
| Proceeds from sales of property, plant and equipment | - | 96 |
| Net cash (used) in investing activities | (22,883) | (1,648) |
| Financing Activities: | | |
| Repayments of long term debt | (14,861) | (14,652) |
| Repayments of short-term bank debt, net | 1,775 | (2,962) |
| Net cash (used) in financing activities | (13,086) | (17,614) |
| Effect of exchange rate changes | (224) | 500 |
| Net decrease in cash | (12,130) | (5,231) |
| Cash at beginning of period | 98,439 | 78,093 |
| Cash at end of period | \$86,309 | \$72,862 |
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Hawthorne, NY, August 23, 2010

Taro Provides Preliminary First Half 2010 Financial Results

Second Quarter Net Income Increases 51% Compared to Second Quarter 2009

HAWTHORNE, N.Y.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--August 23, 2010--Taro Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd. ("Taro," the "Company," Pink Sheets: TAROF) today provided preliminary, unaudited and unreviewed information on its financial performance for the first half of 2010.

Taro continues to make significant operational and financial progress.

- Sales for the first half of 2010 grew to approximately \$187 million
- Net income for the first half of 2010 increased more than 24% to approximately \$29 million, compared to the same period in 2009
- Cash provided by operations for the first half of 2010 nearly doubled from the prior year period, to approximately \$24 million
- Cash on June 30, 2010, including restricted cash and short-term bank deposits, was approximately \$118 million, an increase of over 49% from the level one year earlier
- Net debt on June 30, 2010 was approximately \$23 million, nearly 74% lower than net debt one year earlier
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First Half 2010 Results

For the six months ended June 30, 2010, Taro estimates net sales of \$187.3 million compared to \$181.7 million in the same period of the previous year, a 3% increase. Gross profit for the first half of 2010 was \$108.0 million, or 58% of net sales, compared to a gross profit of \$104.4 million, or 57% of net sales for the same period in 2009. Operating income for the six months ended June 30, 2010 was \$36.9 million, compared to \$34.7 million for the same period in 2009, an increase of 6%. Net income increased 24% to \$29.2 million, or \$0.71 per diluted share, compared to \$23.6 million, or \$0.58 per diluted share for first half 2009.

Second Quarter 2010 Results

For the second quarter ended June 30, 2010, Taro estimates net sales of \$98.0 million compared to \$96.8 million in the second quarter of 2009. Gross profit for the second quarter was \$56.6 million, or 58% of net sales, compared to \$57.9 million, or 60% of net sales for the second quarter of 2009. The second quarter of 2009 was particularly robust as a result of the introduction of new products and pipeline fill. Operating income for the second quarter of 2010 was \$19.9 million compared to \$20.6 million for the second quarter of 2009. Net income increased 51% to \$18.9 million, or \$0.46 per diluted share, compared to \$12.5 million, or \$0.31 per diluted share for the second quarter of 2009.

Balance Sheet

The Company continues to strengthen its balance sheet with net debt (total debt offset by the value of hedging instruments, less cash and cash equivalents) declining from \$41 million in December 2009 to \$23 million in June 2010. As of June 30, 2010, Taro had \$117.9 million in cash, cash equivalents, restricted cash and short-term bank deposits, after making scheduled debt payments of \$14.9 million in 2010. During the first half of 2010, cash provided by operations was \$24 million. Amortization and depreciation expenses were \$9.3 million during the period.

Trade accounts receivable at June 30, 2010 were \$76.7 million, which represents 71 days sales outstanding. Inventories were \$75.3 million at June 30, 2010, compared to \$65.3 million at June 30, 2009.

The Company cautioned that the financial information presented herein does not constitute complete financial information, has not been reviewed by its independent auditors and is subject to change as the Company continues to work with its auditors to complete its 2008 and 2009 audits in order to become current with its financial reporting obligations. The data presented for the second quarter of 2009 and first half of 2009 is the same as that previously reported by the Company for those periods. Audited financial statements for the full year 2009 will be reported in filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission as soon as they become available, and may differ from the information previously reported by the Company. Subject to the foregoing caveats, the information presented herein represents the best information currently available to Taro management and the Company believes that it fairly presents the Company's results of operations.

About Taro

Taro Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd. is a multinational, science-based pharmaceutical company, dedicated to meeting the needs of its customers through the discovery, development, manufacturing and marketing of the highest quality healthcare products.

For further information on Taro Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd., please visit the Company's website at www.taro.com.

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SIGNATURES

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.

Date: August 25, 2010

TARO PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRIES LTD.

By:

/s/ Tal Levitt Name: Tal Levitt Title: Secretary