Active ingredients (generic names)	ORAL REHYDRATION SALTS Common name: ORS
What it is used for	 Replacing fluid, body salts (electrolytes), glucose lost when person at risk of or dehydrated due to Diarrhoea Vomiting Sweating a lot
How it works	Provides replacement fluid, body salts (electrolytes), glucose
Side effects	Usually none if taken for short time





Children (watch for signs of dehydration)



Medical consult if needed for more than a few days May be another problem



Urgent Medical consult if large fluid loss OR person can't tolerate fluid replacement

Tell the patient



- Important to measure right amount of clean drinking water before mixing
 - ▶ Usually 2 tablets or 1 sachet in 200mL of water
- Children may take ORS better if frozen and given as an ice block

Dose given according to body weight and severity of diarrhoea

Check



Making ORS Dissolve sachet or tablets with right amount of water before use