

NIGALAYE ASHOK G
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FORM 5

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 NIGALAYE ASHOK G

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ELITE PHARMACEUTICALS INC
 /DE/ [eltp]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)
 03/31/2011

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Chief Scientific Officer

C/O EPIC PHARMA, LLC, 227-15
 NORTH CONDUIT AVENUE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

LAURELTON, NY 11413

Form Filed by One Reporting Person
 Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or (D) Price | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|--|-----------------------------------|
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction | 5. Number of | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|--------------|---|--|
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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--------------------------------------|--|----------------------|-----------------|--|------------------|------------------|-----|-----|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| Series E Convertible Preferred Stock | \$ 0.0424 | 09/29/2010 | Â P | 62.5 Â | 09/29/2010 | Â (3) | | | | | Common Stock | 1,472,553 (2) |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| NIGALAYE ASHOK G C/O EPIC PHARMA, LLC 227-15 NORTH CONDUIT AVENUE LAURELTON, NY 11413 | Â X | Â X | Â Chief Scientific Officer | Â |

Signatures

Ashok G. 04/29/2011
Nigalaye

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
 - ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- Ashok G. Nigalaye is an equity owner and executive officer of each of Epic Pharma, LLC ("EP"), and Epic Investments, LLC ("EI") (which is controlled by EP), which owns securities convertible into or exercisable for in excess of 10% of the outstanding shares of common stock of the issuer, and also serves as a director of the issuer.

- (1) EI (i) acquired 1,000 shares of Elite Pharmaceuticals, Inc., ("Elite") Series E Convertible Preferred Stock on June 3, 2009 (as reflected on Form 3 filed on June 5, 2009) for a price of \$1,000 per share and is convertible into 20,000,000 shares of Elite Common Stock at a conversion price of \$0.05 per share, (ii) acquired an additional 1,000 shares of Elite Series E Convertible Preferred Stock on October 30, 2009 (as reflected on Form 4 filed November 5, 2009) for a price of \$1,000 per share and is convertible into 20,000,000 shares of Elite Common Stock at a conversion price of \$0.05 per share, (iii) and acquired an additional 62.5 shares of Elite Series E Convertible Preferred Stock on September 29, 2010 for a price of \$62.5 per share and is convertible into 1,472,553 shares of Elite's Common Stock at a conversion price of \$0.0424 per share.
- (3) N/A

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