

Speed, intelligence and capabilities

Vega series bag makers, pouch makers and wicketers from Mamata offer speed, intelligence and capabilities.

OVER the last five years, Mamata has proven itself as one of those rare companies to have markets around the world.

Offering a wide range of bag makers, pouch makers and wicketers to the converting fraternity worldwide, Mamata has established a 'global platform', competing successfully against world-renowned companies on their home turf.

Today, Mamata's Vega wicketers, bag-making and pouch-making systems are preferred over well-known brand names in various parts of world. This fact is substantiated by more than 2 500 installations in 70 countries, of which more than 170 are installed in South Africa.

Venk-Pac, one of the leading converters in South Africa, is a valued customer and has been using Mamata machines since 2003. The latest addition – a wicketer that runs at 300 cycles/min for square bottom bread bags – provides Venk-Pac with a cutting-edge against competition.

Mamata offers complete systems to produce secure, tamper-evident bags, courier bags, coin bags and bank envelopes, etc. Applications are endless. Mamata also offers high-speed wicketers for a variety of wicketed bag applications. In fact, Mamata produces the fastest running zipper wicketer in the world.

Mamata's pouch-making system has been designed to optimise processing flexibility, which is a prime requirement for converters. Machines are designed in a modular fashion so that converters can choose various modules to configure a pouch-making system to meet their specific needs.

With today's increasing demands of longer shelf life and improved barrier properties, Mamata has focused on producing machines capable of processing unsupported coextruded films.

Capable of producing three-side seal pouches, zipper, stand-up, slider and self-gusseted pouches, Mamata's Vega 610 is the most versatile and flexible machine available in the world. For instance, it can process PE/PA/PE films for vacuum pouches at high speed, with as much ease as processing laminates – something most other pouch-makers are unable to do.



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The Nexus One has allowed Venk-Pac to compete with imported laminated materials. 'We're finding that local food industry customers are increasingly recognising us as a viable and cost-effective supplier,' Ricky comments.

The next big news from Venk-Pac came in 2005, with the installation of a Kirion three-layer blown film system from Kiefel in Germany, and the almost simultaneous purchase of a new eight-colour gravure printing press from Pelican Rotoflex in India.

Thanks to these varied investments over the past few years, Venk-Pac supplies high-quality locally-converted laminates, specialised polymers, polypropylene, and low and high density polyethylene flexible packaging. This packaging, Ricky Naidoo emphasises, is offered (either flexo or gravure printed as required) for form-fill-seal and pouch applications at prices that compete with imported products, thus providing all the advantages of purchasing within South Africa.

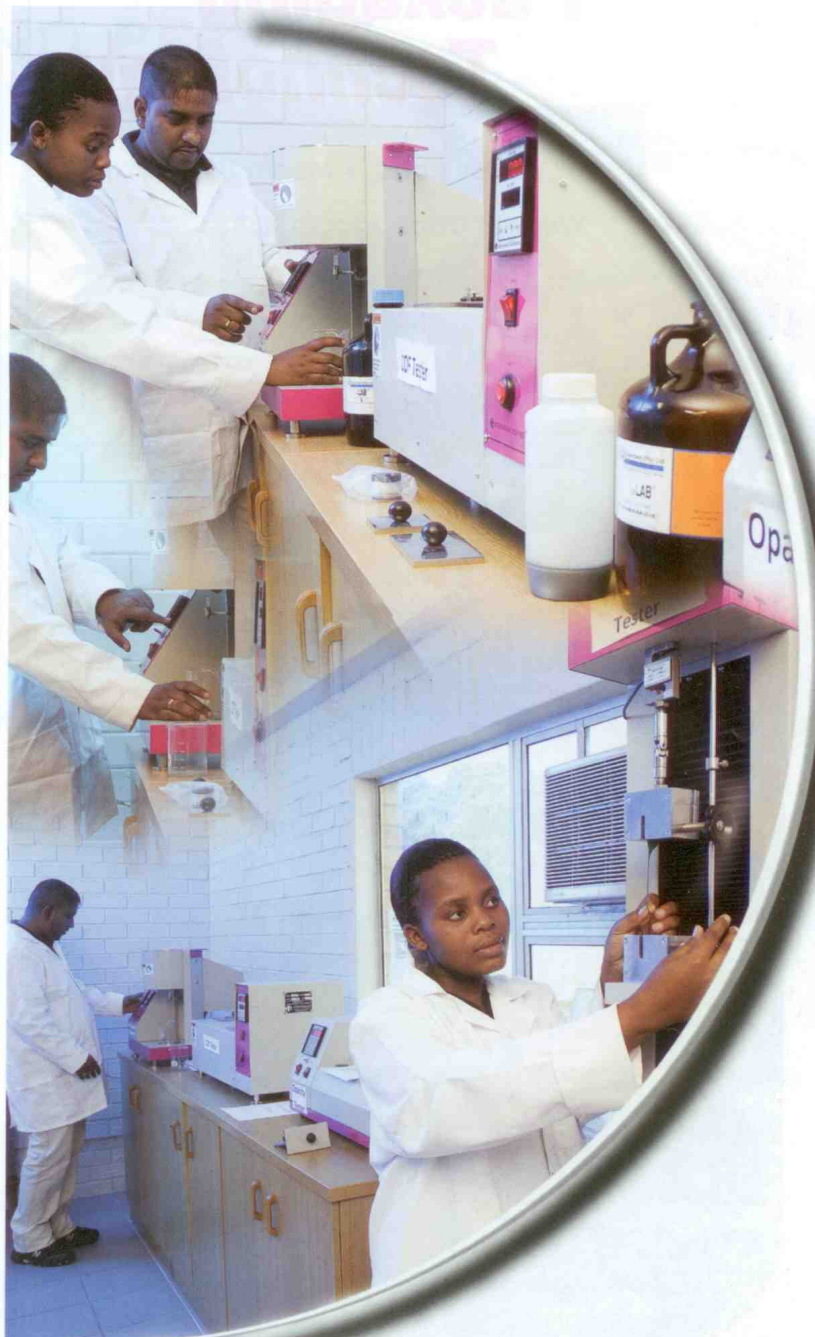
QUALITY IS THE KEY

VENK-PAC boasts ISO 9001/2000 certification as well as SABS (South African Bureau of Standards) accreditation.

Every product batch produced is tested in the company's laboratory, which has recently been extensively re-equipped. These tests include shrinkage rates; coefficient of friction; aging (using an accelerated aging process); tensile and seal strength; puncture resistance; and interactions with other agents/chemicals. Additionally, printed and laminated products are tested under various conditions for delamination, ink adhesion and colour matching.

So far as the latter is concerned, Venk-Pac has its own colour mixing department using the computerised Rexson colour system to ensure 100% colour reproduction; and an in-house ink kitchen operated by Constantia Inks.

'Our commitment to quality is evident in the calibre of our equipment, the high level of expertise of our staff and the products we produce in partnership with our suppliers,' Ricky says. 'Each order is checked at every stage of production to ensure that it meets our stringent quality standards.'



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Venk-Pac, one of South Africa's leading converters, is a valued customer and has been using Mamata machines since 2003.

The recent addition of the latest generation wicketer with production speeds of 300 cycles/min for square-bottom bread bags provides Venk-Pac a cutting edge against most competitors.

Mamata's pouch-making systems are designed to offer optimum processing flexibility, a prime requirement for any converter. As these machines are modular in design, converters can choose modules to configure a pouch-making system to meet their customers' precise requirements.

The focus is on processing capability of unsupported

coextruded films with increasing demands of higher shelf life and better barrier properties.

The advanced features of the Vega range are available to Venk-Pac and to Venk-Pac's customers, thanks to the company's policy of ongoing investment in leading-edge technology.

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Comments Ricky: The supply of wicketed bread bags is a highly competitive sector of the flexible packaging market. Indeed, South Africa's largest packaging company, having entered this market two years ago, has now quit... As bread is a basic food, consumers should not be burdened with the high cost of packaging because of exorbitant manufacturing costs. Quality, precision and output, coupled with a lower capital cost, were the reasons behind our choice of Mamata machines, resulting in our competitiveness in this price-sensitive field. Thank you Mamata for helping us to make the right decision.

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