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Reliability of PMSA machinery ensures success for Nkomazi Bricks

Nkomazi Bricks in Mpumalanga has increased its production rates and broadened its customer base by using the PMSA (Pan Mixers South Africa) RE600 block-making machine.

Komatipoort-based Nkomazi Bricks, established in 1996, supplies a range of maxi bricks and stock bricks to housing and construction companies, as well as to rural communities in the area. Nkomazi Bricks general manager Ted Repinga says the company has been manufacturing its products using the PMSA RE600 block machine for the past six years.

"Nkomazi Bricks selected PMSA as its equipment supplier because the company has a well-established geographical footprint, and an excellent reputation for providing high-quality equipment at competitive prices," he explains.

"The RE600 block-making machine has enabled us to manufacture a high-quality range of maxi bricks and stock bricks at an excellent production level compared to competitor machines. In fact, the RE600 block-making machine has

proven to be so successful that we are currently ordering a second machine in order to keep up with increasing demand."

Features of the PMSA RE600 block machine include; a 2,2 kW twin shaft vibrator with hydraulically operated mould, tamper, feeder-box and pallet-feeder. The RE600 is available as either a manually operated machine or automated PLC controlled.

Repinga says PMSA's unrivalled after-sales and technical support also played a major role in Nkomazi's successful production levels. "PMSA provides us with peace of mind. We know we can contact a company representative should we have a problem, regardless of time or date. This has been a major deciding factor in purchasing the second RE600. The first machine is producing high-quality, affordable bricks – particularly for the rural community."

PMSA sales and marketing manager, Quintin Booysen, explains that the company can deliver excellent customer service and quick turnaround time on spares because it has a comprehensive stockholding on site that eliminates the risk of downtime for its clients.

Booyesen states: "PMSA reduces its reliance on outside suppliers, as their level of service does not always meet the company's expectations of quality, delivery and turnaround time. By manufacturing our own components, in-house specialists are able to source and address any problems swiftly and effectively."

Repinga is optimistic about long-term expansion for Nkomazi Bricks. "We have maintained steady growth since our establishment in 1996, and I believe that future growth in this market largely depends on word-of-mouth. As investment in infrastructural development continues to rise, I am optimistic that Nkomazi Bricks will remain a front-runner in the local region, having maintained a strong reputation for quality and reliability.

"We also plan to increase our stockpile of bricks to ensure faster turnaround times for customers. I am confident that we can achieve this by continuing our partnership with PMSA for the foreseeable future," he concludes. ■

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