



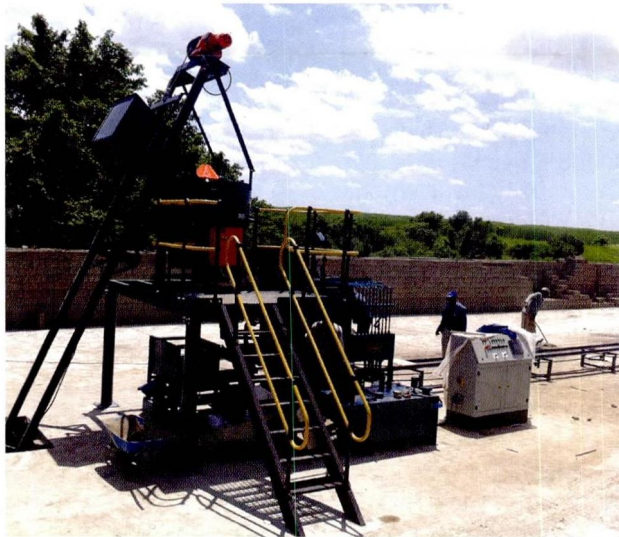
A regional leader in concrete bricks and blocks

Nkomazi Bricks is establishing itself as a regional leader in the manufacture of concrete bricks and blocks in Mpumalanga. Formed in 1996, the company is based in Komatipoort and supplies a range of maxi bricks and stock bricks to housing and construction companies as well as rural communities in the area.

For the past six years Nkomazi Bricks has been producing its bricks and blocks on an RE600 block-making machine supplied by Pan Mixers South Africa (PMSA), the leading supplier of concrete brick, block and paving-making machinery and technology in Africa.

Nkomazi Bricks general manager, Ted Repinga, says the company chose PMSA as its manufacturing equipment supplier "because PMSA has a well-established geographical footprint and an excellent reputation for providing high quality equipment and competitive prices."

He says that the RE600 block-making machine has enabled Nkomazi Bricks to manufacture a high quality range of maxi bricks and stock bricks at an excellent level of production output. "The introduction of the RE600 block-making machine has been so successful for the company that we are now ordering



The RE600 block-making machine, supplied by PMSA, at Nkomazi Bricks in Komatipoort, Mpumalanga.

a second machine to keep up with increasing demand."

Repinga adds that PMSA's after-sales and technical support has also contributed to Nkomazi's successful production levels and to the company's decision to purchase a second machine.

PMSA sales and marketing manager, Quintin Booysen, says the company strives to deliver customer service of the highest standard. "PMSA prides itself on assisting its customers in being successful in their businesses. We always try to provide the quickest turnaround time on spares and to minimise any downtime there may be for our customers."

PMSA produces all the principle components and

assemblies in-house for the range of equipment it supplies, so reducing its reliance on outside suppliers and ensuring that it retains the skills to address any machinery problems quickly and effectively.

Repinga says he is optimistic regarding long-term expansion for Nkomazi Bricks. "We have maintained steady growth since the company was established and I believe that future growth in this market depends largely on word-of-mouth. As investment in infrastructure development continues to rise, I am optimistic that Nkomazi Bricks, with its reputation for quality and reliability, will remain a front-runner in the region."

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