

Small beginning in India for SA manufacturer

In a small beginning, a 46t/h South African-made vertical shaft impact crusher is making its contribution to the mining of iron ore in highly-industrialised India.

The first sales of Pilot Crushtec manufactured equipment, a Pilot Modular DD2412 double deck screen and a Twister VS-AC06 static vertical shaft impact (VSI) crusher, into India represents a breakthrough for the South African manufacturer, based in Jet Park, Gauteng.

The export sales manager for Pilot Crushtec, Mr Paul Chappel, said the Twister VS-AC06 VSI crusher is the smallest model in the static range of the popular Twister and mobile TwisterTrac series that are now in operation not only in African states but also in Europe, Australia, and in the UK.

He said the units sold in India by Mr Amin Ladak, of Kaenat Enterprises, a well-known plant personality who holds the Pilot Crushtec dealership in Goa, south-west India, went to two different customers.

“We commissioned the Twister VSI crusher at an open pit iron ore mine near Goa where it is being used to crush stone down to minus 2mm to liberate iron ore from the host material,” said Mr Chappel.

“We believe that the machine, though the smallest in our Twister VSI crusher range, will have quite a ripple effect in sales of our equipment in India. We expect more sales, possibly even of larger Twister VSI machines, to that mine and to other iron ore mining operations in the area.”

Mr Chappel said that the Pilot Crushtec Twister VS-AC06 sold complete ready to run and mounted on a skidframe, typically takes less than 4 hours to setup and commission and is easily relocatable. In South Africa the machine is used mainly in the quarrying and mineral processing industries for the production of sand and for creating fines.



Twister Vertical shaft impact crushers manufactured by Pilot Crushtec since 1990, are used mainly for manufacturing “in-spec” high quality cubical shaped aggregates and sand for use in construction, road building and for high strength concrete as well as for making fines for industrial and pre-milling applications.