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EARTH MOVING: Komatsu works with champions

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TEREX TRUCKS FLEET FOR MYANMAR THURA JADE MINE

Myanmar Thura has made its first order of Terex Trucks rigid haulers, purchasing 10 new TR60s to cover expansion at the company's jade mine in Kachin State, Northern Myanmar.

The long-established mining company based in Yangon, Myanmar, has been in the jade trading business for more than 20 years, and 10 years in jade mining. The order for the 55 t capacity TR60s will be supplied by local Terex Trucks dealer, LHM, which has supplied Myanmar Thura with equipment for years.

"Terex Trucks machines had been brought to our attention following the acquisition by Volvo Construction Equipment," said Kyaw Thura, managing director at Myanmar Thura. "LHM has supplied us with many units of excavators over the years so we have a great connection with them. We were in the market for new off-highway trucks that would offer excellent productivity for our jade mine, and with help from LHM it took no time at all to decide on the Terex Trucks TR60s."

Jade mining has limited concessions due to the seasons, and can only operate six months out of the year. The TR60s will be required to work day and night in two shifts, hauling 55 tonne loads of earth, rock and jade from the mine, where the elements will be separated for further processing.

The Terex Trucks TR60 rigid hauler is built on 60 years of hauling heritage and delivers an excellent performance in a wide range of hauling applications.

"We have high expectations of Terex Trucks with backing from Volvo CE, and we may well look into future purchases of the rigid haulers once we have experience with product, support and services offered," continued Thura.

KUBOTA NARROW-WIDTH TRACTORS AND PRE-PRUNER A HIT IN VINEYARDS



The KMS Rinklin pre-pruner, working in conjunction with the Kubota M series narrow-width tractors, have made a hit in the vineyard industry.

Christian Fersch of German Machine Services (GMS), distributors in South Africa of KMS Rinklin viticultural products, says the pre-pruner's success reflects its brilliant, efficient design. "They are light but, at the same time, extremely sturdy. They are designed for a long life and, to achieve this, every moving part has a greasing point. Also, the cutting disks are made from a special material that will remain sharp for many years, which reduces the load on the motors and, in fact, the entire system," says Fersch.

He adds that the disks are patented and come with a five-year warranty.

One of the most important features is that the special design of the pre-pruner prevents it from cutting the crossed wires that are integral to a vineyard structure and, due to the extremely sharp disks, the pre-pruner easily cuts through the thickest cordon.

Fersch says that safety is a prime feature in the pre-pruner's design. "For example, in case the driver does not open the arms of the pre-pruner in time, which could lead to an impact with a pole, the machine has an accumulator (60 bar nitrogen), which is activated immediately on impact releasing the arms of the pre-pruner and preventing serious damage."

One of the key advantages of the pre-pruner is its simple and light design enabling even the smallest tractor to handle the unit. "The joystick is easy to use and does not include electronic components, which makes it more robust and increases its longevity. Also, maintenance is reduced to a minimum, since all moving parts can be greased," Fersch says.

The M series Kubota tractors are ideal partners for the pre-pruner as they are small and extremely efficient tractors and for this reason the Kubota-KMS Rinklin pre-pruner partnership is becoming a major attraction in the vineyards of southern Africa.

