HBM – SA Health Condom Factory Update



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History and Formation

- HBM-SA Health was born out of a joint venture between SA Health and HBM Group
- SA Health is a local medical supply company and HBM-Group is a company headquartered in the US, with operations in China.
- The HBM Group is a No. 3 brand in China which produces more than 1 billion condoms per annum.
- SA Health is currently one of eight official condom suppliers to the South African Department of Health under a three-year contract from 01 July 2015 to 30 June 2018.
- Currently the South African Government' total condom demand equates to 1 billion units (annually).
- SA Health had been importing condoms from the HBM Group
- The HBM-Group and SA Health shareholder came together with the intention of localising the production of condoms.

Ownership

- The ownership of HBM SA Health is as follows:
 - **HBM Group** (Technical Partner)
 - Cherish Investments (Pty) Ltd (100% Black African owned company)
 - Latex Industries SA (100% Black African owned company)
- Principals behind the project are:
 - Sibusiso Lushaba and
 - Philani Zwane

Factory Capacity

- HBM-SA plant will create approximately 145 job opportunities with one shift
- The factory will produce approximately 700,000 condoms per day, 18 Million condoms per month.
- The factory has provisioned capacity for an additional two lines which in the future will more than double their current capacity.
- HBM-SA will supply approximately 12% of the requirements of the National Department of Health

KZN Growth Fund involvement

- KZN Growth Fund is a provincial government owned entity that provides business funding.
- HBM-SA Health applied for funding and met the following mandates:
 - Creation of jobs
 - Black economic empowerment
 - General economic development
 - Localisation of manufacturing
 - Commercially viable
- KZN Growth Fund provided R49 million to HBM-SA
- KZN Growth assisted in negotiations with HBM Group
- dti's Black Industrialist Scheme has approved R25.5 m

Progress to Date

- Factory and Testing Laboratory have been fully commissioned
- Complies with the international condom manufacturing standard ISO 4074
- ISO 9001 and 13485 process has been initiated
- 6 million condoms produced and successfully tested by an international lab in Malaysia.
- Can only commence with WHO accreditation once it has a 3 years manufacturing record.
- SABS certification received