

PRESS RELEASE

VIGAN Engineering S.A. (Belgium) has been awarded an important project for a complete grain and fertilizer terminal in PAKISTAN.

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PAKISTAN first dedicated Grain and Fertilizer Terminal project in port Qasim (Karachi area) has been awarded. **VIGAN** Engineering S.A. has been selected as a major supplier for the ship unloaders, the conveying and bagging equipment as well as for the flat storage for fertilizers.

This FAP terminal (Fauji Abkar Portia Marine Terminals Ltd) is a Joint Venture between the Fauji Foundation and the Akbar Group, with additional financing by the National Bank of Pakistan (NBP).

This state-of-the art terminal will have a capacity of handling up to 4 million tons of products, of which 80% will be for grains, and will have total storage capacity of about 100.000 tons.

Two different and complementary **VIGAN** technologies will be used for the ship unloading:

- One Mechanical **SIMPORTER** unloader (twin belt technology) with a capacity of 1.000 metric tons per hour, recognized for its lowest energy consumption, gentle handling of the products and operational reliability.
- One Pneumatic **NIV** unloader with a capacity of 600 mtph, flagship of **VIGAN** for years, that will increase overall capacity and ensure highest efficiency even during clean-up.

VIGAN will also supply several hundred meters of conveyors with their supporting structure, 12 bagging lines for grains and fertilizers with capacities between 60 to 100 tons/hour (50 or 100 kilos bags) and all the handling system for the 40.000 cubic meters fertilizer flat storage.

Project completion is scheduled by the early 2010.

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