



Vegit brings new product offerings for Punjab market

~Launches Burger Patty, Cheese balls, Soya Roll & Harabhara Kebab in Punjab, expands its range of ready to cook snacks mixes, specially developed to match the preference of food lovers in Punjab market~

Chandigarh, 25th June 2013: Vegit, an agro division of Merino group and a leading brand in ready to cook segment, has today announced expansion of its product portfolio in Punjab market with the launch of **4 new variants** Burger Patty, Cheese balls, Soya roll and Harabhara Kebab for Retail & HORECA (Hotel, Restaurant & Catering). Priced at **Rs. 50** for Retail, Vegit will now make available a range of 8 new snacks mixes along with its flagship product 'Aloo Mash' (Potato Flakes).

Vegit product offers 100% classic Indian snacks which involve only 10% of time and effort on cooking, without missing the taste of traditional way of cooking. The USP of these products are that they can be prepared with a **"Twist"** as the consumer is free to experiment and modulate the dish according to the taste buds. Vegit easy to cook mixes save time and cost, additionally guarantying an extended storage life as all the products are processed keeping in mind the international quality norm, without compromising on natural ingredients and nutrients.

Speaking on the occasion, **Mr. Rajneesh Sharma, General Manager, Sales, Vegit** said, "Keeping pace with the changing lifestyle and eating habits of the consumers, the market needs to evolve and innovate for the consumer. With a fast-moving lifestyle and hardly any time at hand, people are looking for **time-saving** and **cost-effective** options for their kitchen. Gauging the need of the hour, Vegit took a pioneering step and introduced products in a **dry mix format**. These products allow the consumer the luxury to experiment with the taste, while offering a **hassle free** cooking and **traditional homemade food** experience."



“The ready-to-cook segment is witnessing consistent growth, and to keep up with this trend we have launched 4 new products for the Punjab market, since the consumers here relish typical Indian food and prefer the addition of desi flavors and condiments” he added.

Recently the brand has also unveiled its **new brand identity** through **refreshed packaging** and a new logo, in order to better communicate the brand proposition “**Hamara Mix, Aapka Twist**”. The objective was to induce the brand in retail segment with profound freshness, communicating the USP of the products, i.e. the possibility of adding own flavors/spices to the ready-to-cook mix. The new brand identity will help Vegit’s sustainability & growth, as it further builds on the present equity of Vegit’s Snacks Mixes.

Vegit has a pan India presence with a network of over **5000 dealers and outlets**.

Key features of Vegit’s new healthy range of mouth- watering traditional Indian snacks includes:

- **Burger Patty**- Spicy mix of potato flakes, vegetables and cheese to delight your senses! Avoid the tedious process of chopping and grating. Club Vegit patties with a burger and enjoy plateful of burgers within minutes
- **Cheese Balls**- A creamy cheesy delicacy that melts in your mouth, cheese balls can be prepared easily by making small balls and rolling them in bread crumbs, deep fried to be served hot with tomato sauce or mayonnaise!
- **Soya Roll**- A snack outside of just potato! An appetizing fusion of potato and soya clubbed together with Indian spices and condiments offers an ideal evening snack prepared within minutes!
- **Harabhara Kebab**- Bringing together the goodness of green peas, spinach and potatoes with the tang of kasurimethi, Harabhara Kebab is the ultimate snack for the health conscious.
- **Aloo Mash (Potato Flakes)** saves the time of boiling/peeling/mashing of Potatoes and delights your mother with the goodness of mashed potatoes that gives the similar nutritional qualities as that of real potatoes with similar amounts of protein, dietary



fiber, and vitamins. Additionally, dehydrated potato flakes can also be used as a nutritional base that complements a variety of products.

The other snack mixes which are already available in the market include:

- **Aloo Tikki**—Enjoying street food at home couldn't get any easier and healthier! A perfect mix of Potato flakes and Indian spices shallow fried on tawa clubbed with Mint chutney gives you the real taste of Aloo Tikki!
- **Aloo Bonda**- Scrumptious mix of potato and onion bits with the classic touch of amchur powder dipped in besan and deep fried result in hassle free delicious bondas within minutes on your table
- **Shammi Kebab**- Deep fried flattered snack of black gram and potato flakes makes for an ideal evening with friends and family
- **Veg Cutlet**- Enriching palate of carrots, french beans and capsicum available with the blend of mixed spice can serve as a delectable snack after being dipped in liquid batter and fried post rolling it in bread crumbs! A crispy snack that's yummy inside!

About Vegit

Vegit is the agro division of Merino Group, spread equally between making of Potato Flakes and sumptuous Snacks Mixes and is committed to providing an international standard products that has been domestically produced. The integrated approach from complete agri operations from tissue culture to food processing has assured the consisted supply of best quality products and has established a sustainable market for itself both with the domestic and international buyers. Vegit offers a range of snacks mixes which are all simple, fast, neat and ready to make and also exports the products and reaches out to the retail sector and also the industrial catering units, restaurants and hotels. Vegit is ISO 9001, ISO 14001, ISO 18001, ISO 22000 and HACCP certified.

For more information visit Vegit at www.veggit-merino.com



About Merino Group

Merino is a versatile manufacturer and marketer of Interior Solutions with a wide array of products for homes, offices, commercial and public areas and is also into Agro-Food business under the brand name Vegit. Merino is today a US\$ 165 million group with diverse business interest and two primary lines of business – Paneling and Agro. Founded in 1965, Merino Group's 6 operating companies are Merino Laminates, Merino Panels, Merino Besco, Merino Hanex, My Space and Vegit. The Group has a strong presence in 60 countries with more than 3000 employees and a strong channel of network of dealers, sub dealers and retailers.

For more information visit Merino Group at www.merinoindia.com

For more information contact:

Hitesh Ranot Merino Group +91-9582416329 hitesh.ranot@merinoindia.com	Pratibha Kashyap/ Swati Jain Linopinion +91-919891049987/ +91 9910734054 pratibha.kashyap@loweandpartners.com/ swati.jain@loweandpartners.com
---	--