



VectorGuard® from DEK now even more accessible for customers in India



DEK's popular VectorGuard® stencil range is now even more accessible for customers in India, following the extension of the company's successful business partnership with Maxim SMT. Already distributing DEK capital equipment in the region, Maxim SMT will now supply a full range of VectorGuard stencils under license from DEK.

VectorGuard is a patented stencil tensioning system offering significant advantages over conventional stencil technologies. Reusable and recyclable, the frameless tensioning technology prioritises operator safety, system rigidity and ease-of-use for ongoing print process optimisation. Flexibility is central to VectorGuard's enduring popularity among modern manufacturers, accommodating mainstream SMT all the way through to semiconductor packaging applications. The new India VectorGuard Licensee will manufacture and supply the advanced stencil technology to this emerging market, incorporating electroformed foils, laser-cut nickel foils and plastic stencils for unprecedented process flexibility, yield enhancement and cost-efficiency.

Commenting on the extension of the partnership Maxim SMT's Director Alok Bathla explains: "Maxim SMT will manufacture VectorGuard stencils under licence from DEK in India. The Maxim SMT manufacturing facility is strategically positioned to serve local customers with the most advanced stencil production

equipment, quick turnaround capabilities and technical expertise - all backed by our comprehensive service and support infrastructure. This capability will help Maxim SMT to realise its vision to provide its esteemed customers with not only the best equipment but also, a complete process solution.”

DEK Franchise & Licensing Manager, Jim Wong, adds: “Headquartered at New Delhi and supported by branch offices at Chennai, Bangalore and Pune, Maxim SMT is well positioned to help manufacturers throughout India gain a distinct competitive advantage through the use of our pioneering stencil system. Naturally, we’ll be working closely with the company to ensure its provision of VectorGuard stencils maintains the high standards of quality our customers have come to expect. However, with a proven track record, exceptional skills-base and unwavering commitment to service and support, I have no doubt that Maxim SMT will be the perfect partner for VectorGuard customers across India.”

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About DEK

DEK is a global provider of advanced materials deposition technologies and support solutions including printing equipment platforms, stencils, precision screens and mass imaging processes used across a wide range of applications in electronics pre-placement subassembly, semiconductor wafer manufacture, and alternative energy component production. For more information, visit DEK at www.dek.com.

About Maxim SMT

Maxim SMT Technologies represents world’s leading brands offering Automation Equipment Solutions for PCB Assembly. Besides Electronics Manufacturing, Maxim SMT also operates in the area of Production Equipment for Solar Photovoltaics and Semiconductors. Working with major manufacturers like DEK, Maxim SMT has commendable market shares for screen printers in Indian market.

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