



PRESS RELEASE

Sanitex orders two baby diaper lines and one sanitary napkin line from ANDRITZ

GRAZ, MAY 21, 2026. International technology group ANDRITZ has received an order from Sanitex, Democratic Republic of the Congo, to supply two baby diaper production lines and one sanitary napkin line for its facilities in Maluku, Kinshasa. The new lines will strengthen Sanitex's manufacturing capacity and its ability to supply the domestic market with locally produced, high-quality absorbent hygiene products.

The lines will produce a wide range of high-quality baby diapers and sanitary napkins with absorbent cores made of pulp and superabsorbent polymer (SAP).

The scope of supply includes state-of-the-art forming technology for the absorbent core as well as precise SAP dosing systems designed for high productivity, flexibility, and ease of operation. In addition, the lines feature advanced web tension control and quality inspection systems to ensure consistently high product quality.

"This investment is a major step in expanding reliable local production of modern absorbent hygiene products in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. With ANDRITZ's proven technology and support, we will significantly increase our production capacity and ensure consistent product quality. This will help us provide local consumers with high-quality baby diapers and sanitary napkins faster and more efficiently," says Thierry Lasoen, Managing Partner of Sanitex. *"As part of our growth strategy, we will continue to strengthen our production capacity with additional investments in new production lines from ANDRITZ."*

ANDRITZ will also supply fully automatic, integrated packaging machines and provide installation and commissioning services.

The order was included in ANDRITZ's order intake for the third quarter of 2025. Start-up is scheduled for the third quarter of 2026.

Sanitex SARL is a manufacturer of high-quality hygiene products. Headquartered in Kinshasa, the company operates one of the most modern production plants in Central Africa.

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Ettore Paolini, VP ANDRITZ Nonwoven & Textile,
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ANDRITZ GROUP

International technology group ANDRITZ provides advanced plants, equipment, services, and digital solutions for a wide range of industries, including pulp and paper, metals, hydropower, environmental, and others. Founded in 1852 and headquartered in Austria, the publicly listed group employs about 30,000 people at 280 locations in over 80 countries.

As a global leader in technology and innovation, ANDRITZ is committed to fostering progress that benefits customers, partners, employees, society, and the environment. The company's growth is driven by sustainable solutions enabling the green transition, advanced digitalization for highest industrial performance, and comprehensive services that maximize the value of customers' plants over their entire life cycle. ANDRITZ. FOR GROWTH THAT MATTERS.

ANDRITZ PULP & PAPER

ANDRITZ Pulp & Paper provides sustainable technology, automation, and service solutions for the production of all types of pulp, paper, board and tissue. The technologies and services focus on increased production efficiency, lower overall operating costs as well as innovative decarbonization strategies and autonomous plant operation.

The product portfolio also includes boilers for power generation, various nonwoven technologies, and panelboard (MDF) production systems. With waste-to-value recycling, shredding and energy solutions, waste and by-product streams from production are converted into valuable secondary raw materials as well as into sustainable resources for energy generation. State-of-the-art IIoT technologies as part of Metris digitalization solutions complete the comprehensive product offering.