



# Media release

## **The Hon Dr Denis Naphine MP**

Premier  
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## **Dairy Park opens new factory in Carrum Downs**

- **Premier opens Australian Dairy Park infant formula blending and canning factory**
- **In 2012, Victoria supplied 86 per cent of Australia's dairy exports with a total value of \$1.96 billion**
- **The Victorian Coalition Government has a strong jobs plan to take advantage of the growth in Asia.**

Up to 30 full time jobs are set to be created in Carrum Downs over the next three years with the official opening of a new infant formula facility Premier Denis Naphine said today.

Dr Naphine said Australian Dairy Park was an example of another Victorian dairy company who were set to take advantage of growing Asian markets.

"Australian Dairy Park have participated in the Victorian Coalition Government's trade mission program and recently secured a deal to export infant formula to China," Dr Naphine said.

"This deal will see Australian Dairy Park manufacture and export about 3,000 tonnes of formula in its first year with production expected to increase to 5,000 tonnes within three years.

"The first year's output is valued at approximately \$30 million and will see 15 full time jobs created immediately with further jobs to be created as production increases."

Member for Carrum Donna Bauer said Australian Dairy Park's new facility was a sign of confidence in the region's manufacturing industry.

"This facility will be a fantastic boost for Carrum and for the South East in general," Ms Bauer said.

"Australian Dairy Park is an example of the type of business investment that will underpin and expand the region's economy in decades to come."

Dr Naphine said the opening of Australian Dairy Park highlighted the strength of Victorian's dairy industry and exemplified the opportunities for growth in Victorian jobs and the economy.

"China is currently Victoria's fourth largest and fastest growing dairy market. The market for infant formula in China is expected to double over a five-year period from 2012 to 2017, and this presents huge opportunities for Victoria," Dr Naphine said.

"The opening of this factory is yet another example of why Victoria has an outstanding international reputation as a secure, reliable and competitive producer of high quality food products."

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