

Vedan International (Holdings) Limited 味丹國際(控股)有限公司

Stock Code: 2317

2005 Annual Results

22 March 2006





Highlights

- Turnover growth across all markets
- MSG, GA and modified starch are the growth drivers
- Vietnam maintained as the largest single market, ASEAN and PRC registered a remarkable growth
- Profit shrunk due to rising raw materials cost and price suppression of lysine
- Increased MSG prices gradually without compromise sales growth
- Realized the company strategy in M&A and investment
- Achieved good progress in developing new sources of carbohydrates



Summary of Final Results

Year ended 31 December USD million

	2005	2004	Change
Turnover Gross Profit Net Profit EPS (US cents)	257.9 44.4 7.9 0.52	225.0 64.8 24.3 1.61	+14.6% -31.4% -67.4% -67.7%
Gross profit margin Net profit margin	17.2% 3.1%	28.8% 10.8%	



Balance Sheet

	As of 31 Dec 2005 (USD million)	As of 31 Dec 2004 (USD million)	Change
Cash	28.0	33.2	-15.7%
Short-Term Debt	49.9	41.1	+21.4%
Long-Term Debt	29.7	25.7	+15.6%
Total Debt	79.6	66.8	+19.2%
Shareholders' Equity	236.7	234.5	+0.9%
Debt to Equity Ratio(%)	33.7%	28.5%	



Key Financial Figures

	31 Dec 2005	31 Dec 2004
Current Ratio (Times)	1.58	1.79
Net Gearing Ratio* (%)	21.8%	14.4%
ROE Ratio (%)	3.4%	10.6%

^{*} net debt / equity

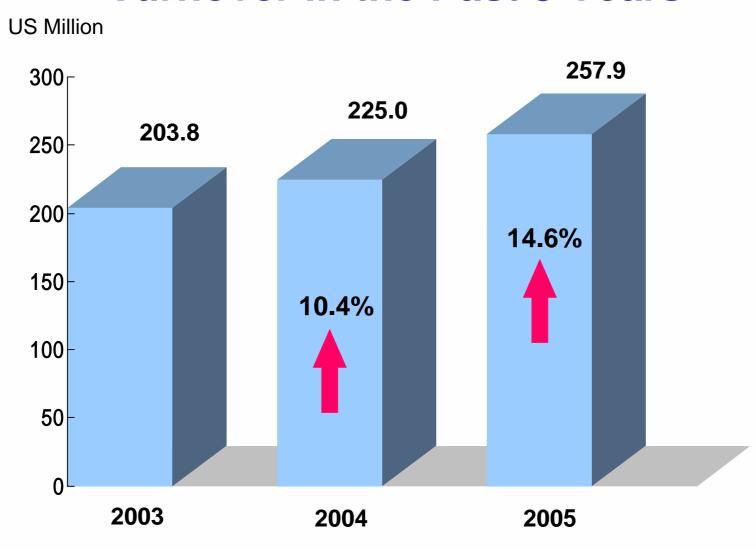


Business Review



Market Analysis

Turnover in the Past 3 Years

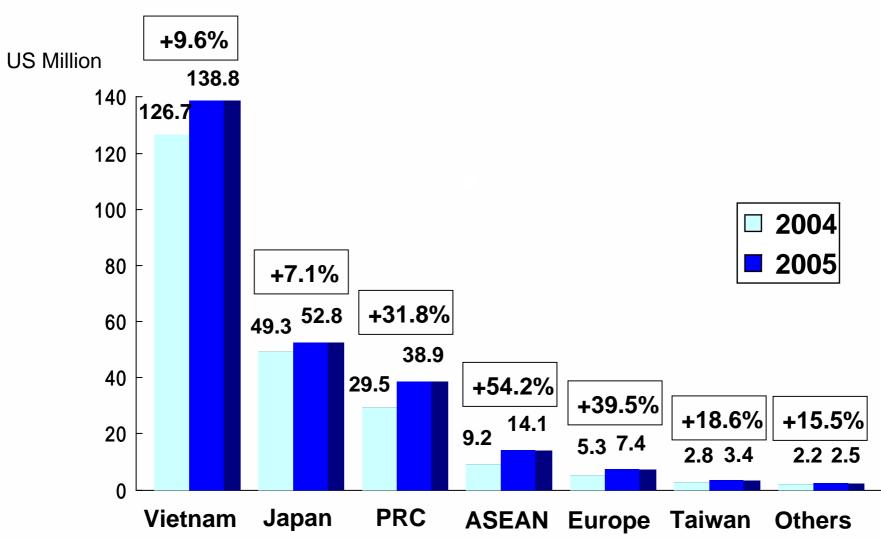




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Market Analysis

Revenue Growth Across all Markets

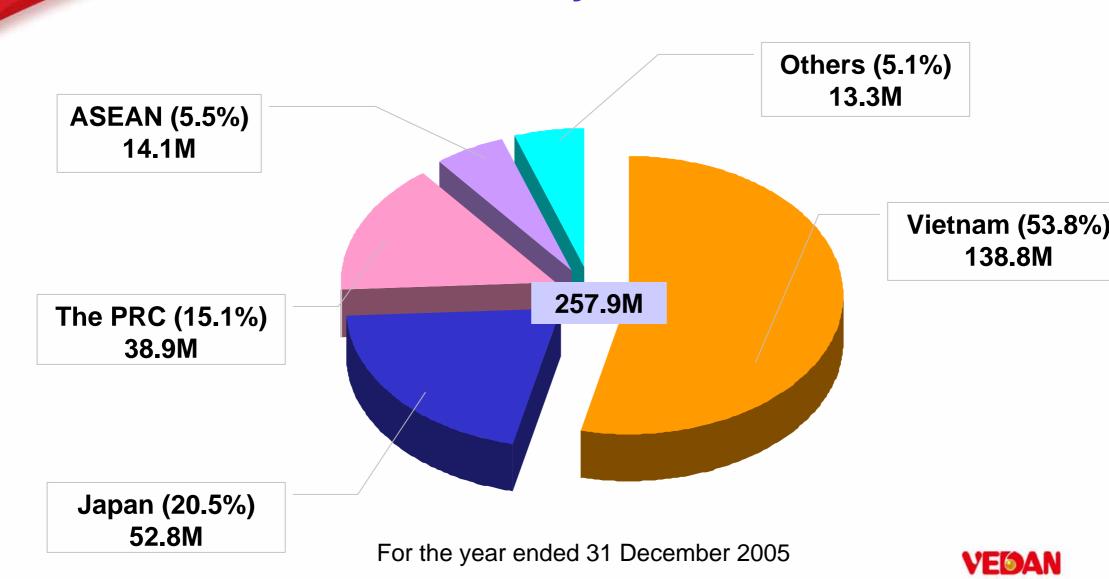




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Market Analysis

Revenue by Markets



Major Market Analysis

<u>Vietnam</u>



9.6% to US\$138.8 million

- Significant growth in sales of MSG, GA, modified starch, caustic soda and hydrochloric acid
 - Supported by new customers, sales of modified starch increased
 - MSG,GA remain stable increasing
 - Capacity expansion to meet market demand, resulted in soda and hydrochloric acid turnover and profit increase significantly
- Lysine sales decreased by 35% due to price drop



Major Market Analysis

PRC



31.8% to US\$38.9 million

- Acquisition of Shanghai Vedan Foods
- Enhanced supply chain management
- Effectively penetrated second tier cities
- Significant growth in MSG (137.7%) and beverage manufacturing (115.4%) business

Japan



7.1% to US\$52.8 million

Rapid expansion of MSG and modified starch business

ASEAN



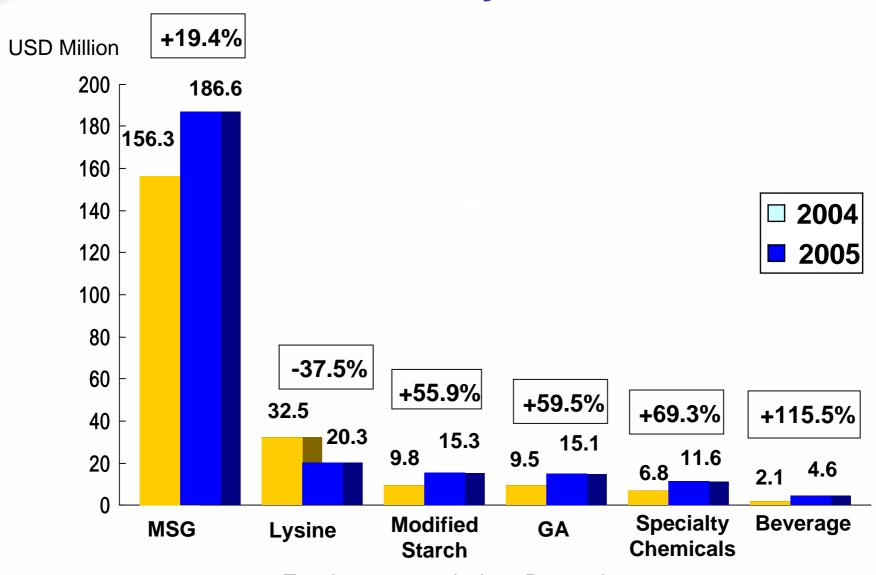
54.2% to US\$14.1 million

The highest growth rate among all markets



Product Analysis

Turnover by Products

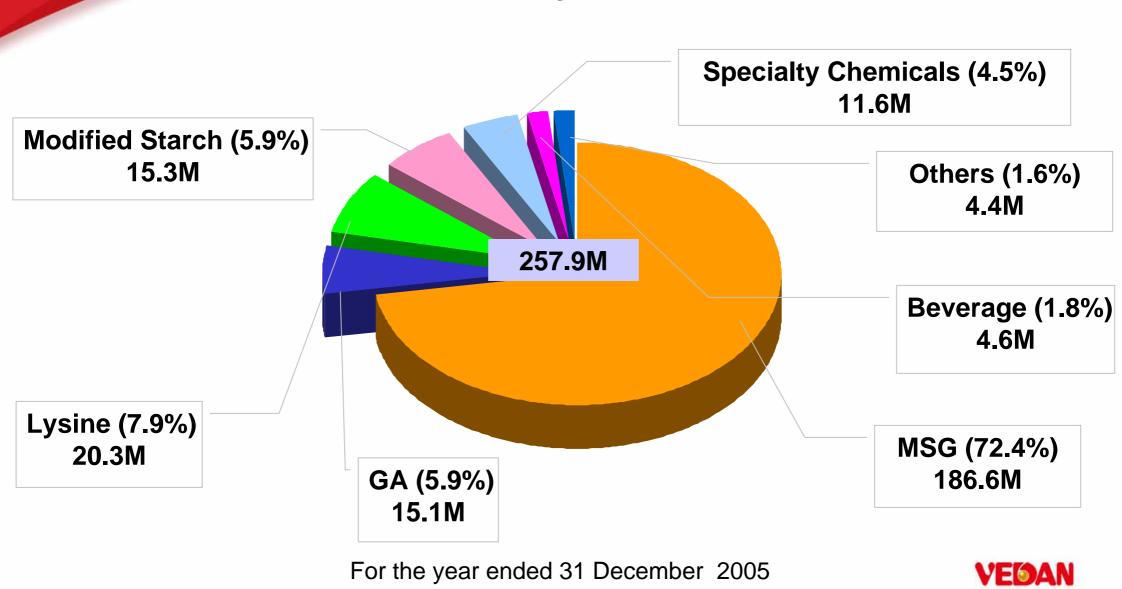


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Product Analysis

Turnover by Products



Major Product Analysis

MSG



- Market demand continued strong
- Adjusted sales prices gradually to offset profits shrink

Modified Starch



 Continue to develop new products and customers base resulted in high growth rate

Specialty Chemicals



69.3% to US\$11.6 million

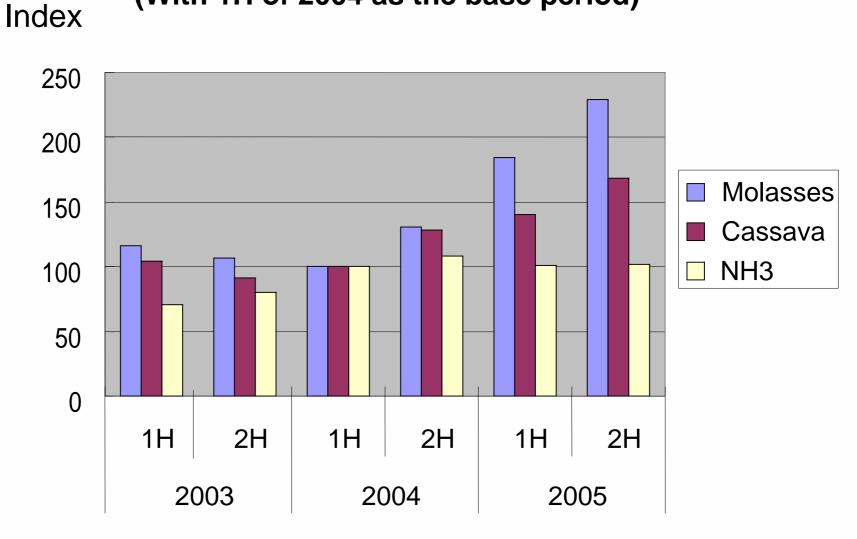
Capacity expansion to meet strong market demand

New Products

- Launched high value-added seasoning from September 2005 in Vietnam
- Launched "Hoping" & "Vedan" branded chicken essence from July 2005 in PRC

Major Raw Material Price Trend

Price trend of major raw materials (With 1H of 2004 as the base period)



2006 1Q raw material prices remain stable



Lysine Price Trend

Lysine



37.5% to US\$20.3 million

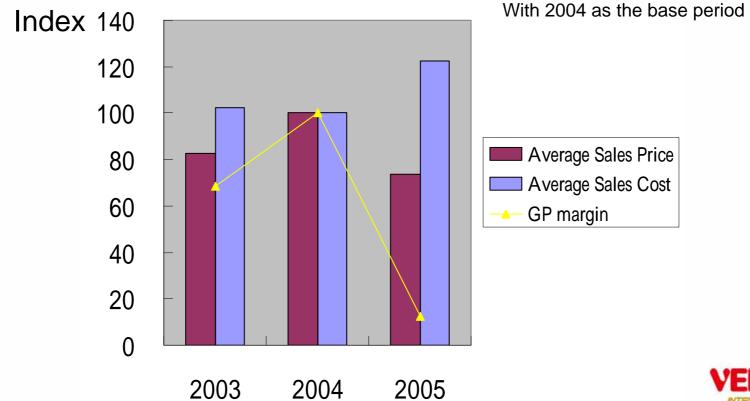
- International price dropped continuously
- Strategically reduced production and increased MSG output





Lysine Profit Shrink

	Average Sales Price	Average Sales Cost	Gross Profit Margin
2003	83	102	68
2004	100	100	100
2005	74	122	12



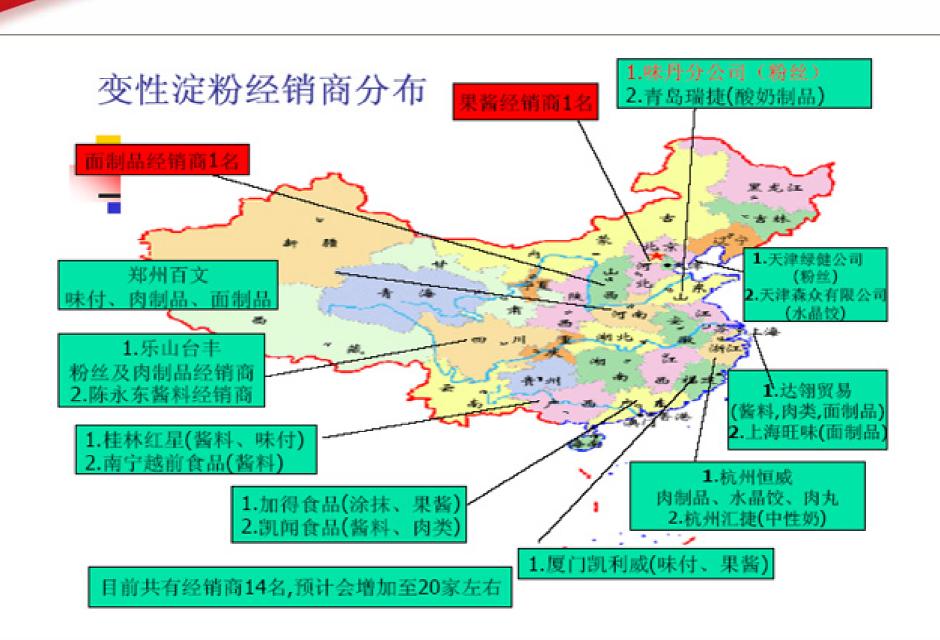


Strategic Moves in PRC

- Completed the acquisition of Shanghai Vedan Food and related fixed assets
- Expanded market focus to include second tier wholesale market, catering, supermarkets and industrial markets
- Strengthened distribution network
- Reinforce supply chain by forming strategic alliances with GA and MSG suppliers
- Lowered production cost and sales expenses
- Shanghai's compound modified starch factory commenced operation in 3Q 2005



Distribution of Modified Starch



Strategic Moves in PRC

- Established Joint Venture with Shandong Xue Hua Bio Chemical Co.,
 Ltd. to form Shandong Vedan Snowflake Enterprise Co., Ltd.
 - Registered capital: US\$12 million
 - Planned total investment: US\$25 million
 - Vedan holds 70% of shares
 - Annual production capacity:
 - 25,500 tonnes of GA
 - 30,000 tonnes of MSG
 - Other products plans include modified starch、lysine、seasonings and etc.
 - Operation expect to start in April 2006



Research and Development

- Expanded organization and added R&D facilities
- Developed 20 new modified starch products, resulted in significant modified starch business growth
- Launched 3 high value added seasoning with good market response
- Developed improved bacterial strain and processes
- Developed food grade lysine production technology
- Other important projects actively under development, include new sources o carbohydrates, such as tropical sugar beet cultivation and processing, rice starch and rice protein production, expanded γ-PGA applications, and industrial cellulose, etc.



Future Plans & Strategies For 2006



Future Plans and Strategies

Measures to Mitigate High Raw Material Costs

- Increase consumption of cassava starch to substitute high price molasses in production
- Continue to develop new sugar substitutes, such as tropical sugar beet and expand the scale of trial cultivation
- Acquired Ve-Thai Starch Factory and expanded its production capacity
- Planned new addition of starch factory in Ha Tinh Province to supply cassava and complement future development of starch business
- Continue to work with potential customers for rice protein applications and make rice starch a new viable source of carbohydrates



Rice Protein

功能性米蛋白 Isolated Rice protein and Rice Peptides

1. 大米蛋白應用使用訴求是以『功能性』(Functionalities)和『價格優勢』(Lower Price),取代下

列蛋白質配料:

酪蛋白 (Casein)

卵蛋白 (Egg albumen)

乳清蛋白 (Whey protein isolate)

分離大豆蛋白 (Soy protein isolate)

Whey Pfoton
大豆子子
Soy Protein
路・蛋・白
Milk Caseln
卵白蛋白
Egg Albumin

高麦芽糖粉

High Maltose Powder
功能性 Functionalities

高磷鈣酪蛋白肽 (Casein phosphate peptide or Casein calcium peptide)。



Price Trend of Proteins in the PRC market 2006 (Pre-tax)

Types of Protein	Price (RMB/T)	Grade	Functionality
Rice Protein	16,000	Feed Grade	-
Soy Protein	15,000	Food Grade	Gel
Soy Protein	16,000	Food Grade	Disperser
Albumen	60,000	Food Grade	Vesicant
Whey Protein Isolate	40,000	Food Grade	Gel
Casein	75,000	Food Grade	Emulsifier
Casein Phosphate Peptide	240,000	Food Grade	24%CCP







China Market Strategy

- Introduce improved technology into Shandong Vedan Snowflake for better operational efficiency
- Enhance the supply chain management to meet the increased market demand and improve the profit margin
- Continue to expand the penetration of second tier and third tier cities by adopting geographical pricing strategy
- Continue to introduce new products into Shanghai Vedan to take advantage of its resources
- Continue to seek M&A opportunities



Improvement of Profitability

- Continue to execute price increase policy
- Increase high value-added seasoning product market penetration both in Vietnam and PRC
- Adopt cost control measures
- Technology improvement to increase productivity and reduce production cost



New Product Development

- Speed-up construction work of -PGA production facility. Expect completion on 2nd quarter, 2006
- Continue to develop in high value modified starches for food applications and seasonings
- Seeking opportunities for fermentation based new products by forming joint partnership with major players



















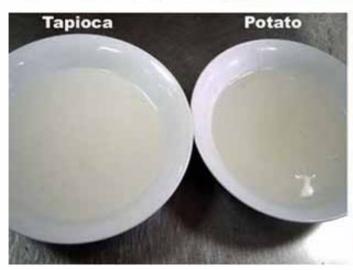


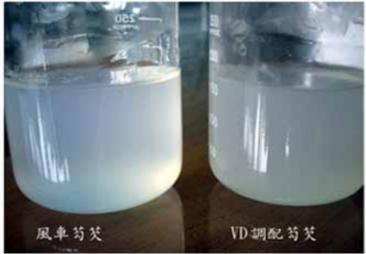














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Veda-SS的特别之处

● Veda-SS与国民淀粉Colflo-67、Thick-flo的对照实验

- 添加量: 3.0%;

- 放置时间: 30天;

- 在不添加胶体情况 下, Colflo-67与 Thick-flo均出现分层 现象, Veda-SS依 然保持稳定状态;





















Mission

"To be Asia's leading manufacturer of fermentation-based amino acids, food additive products and cassava starch based products"





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