

Smartplay Supplies Magnum II Machines to Vietlott in Vietnam

Smartplay International is supplying the robust Vietnamese lottery market with its high tech drawing machines.

Most recently, the company installed its Magnum II machines for Vietlott, a 100% state-owned enterprise under the Vietnamese Ministry of Finance. BCorp and Vietlott are the certified operators of the national computerized lotto and digit games under an exclusive 18-year contract with Berjaya Corp.

Vietlott launched Mega 6/45 Lotto on July 18 as its first lotto game. Mega 6/45 Lotto offers a minimum 12 billion VND jackpot.

According to news reports, 800 POS terminals will be installed throughout Ho Chi Minh City in the first month. The goal is to operate a 10,000-terminal system nationwide with the first five years.

Smartplay supplied Vietlott with three Magnum II draw machines for lotto as well as two Solution Workstations featuring RFID technology.

“Our technician was in Vietnam in June installing the Magnum II machines. They had a launch date planned for early July,” said David Michaud, President, Smartplay. “Our Magnum II machine combines superb style and function making it the perfect choice for their Lotto game.”

The Magnum II lotto machine is an extremely robust drawing machine using solid SmartBalls. All functions are controlled by a microprocessor which allows all drawing parameters to be easily

adjusted. These include the duration of the mixing time, the number of balls selected and the time interval between each selection.

The Magnum is available with Smartplay’s Solution System automatic number recognition, which “not only removes human error in reading selected balls but provides a much higher level of security,” said Tom Markert, Executive Vice President, Smartplay. “The Solution Workstation provides the studio the audio and graphics of selected balls in real time. Each ball has a unique, proprietary signature that provides ball number, set number, date of manufacture and Smartplay’s project code that produced the set. This information is then stored in a data base for every drawing,”

“The vetting of these drawing balls is also made easier with our ball validation system. Each ball is digitally identified, weighed and compared against the official weight of record for that particular ball. This system not only insures weight relevance between the balls with in a set but also a fixed weight from when the ball was manufactured,” he added.

Vietnam is hardly a new market for Smartplay. “Since 2011, we’ve had 23 separate contracts in Vietnam through our local agent. Machines we supplied were for smaller, local lotteries,” said Michaud.

These lotteries feature pre-printed tickets are operated in cities and provinces. “Lottery operations in Vietnam are a blooming market right now,” said Markert.

