# Pack Innovation and Product Designs in ASEAN Countries

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## **Outline of Presentation**

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"Innovation in cigarettes is a vital element in maintaining consumer perceptions of international brands, whilst boosting value sales in the face of falling volumes and increasing the share of premium brands."

Source: Euromonitor (June 2012). New Product Development In Cigarettes: Innovate Or Fail – Keeping Price In Power.

## Why Innovate?

- Packaging innovation is the most immediate way of adding value to a brand and attracting smokers
- Product innovation to cater for selected market segments – young and females
- To circumvent tobacco control law

## Method

- Evidence from SEATCA tobacco industry surveillance (SIS)
- Established in 2006
- Conducted in seven ASEAN countries
- Monitor, Alert and Counter (MAC) approach including using a web-based reporting system to compile and record up-to-date information on tobacco industry activities in each country
- Data from 2010 to current

## **Leading Cigarette Innovations**

- Flavoured cigarettes
- New filter technology (Capsule filters)
- Pack size

Superslims

## Trends in Pack Design

- Use of new descriptors to communicate deceptive differences in the risk of different brands
- Colour coding used to depict strengths of product designs, to replace descriptors and flavour differences in cigarettes
- New packaging designs to promote products and brand identity

## Flavoured Cigarettes





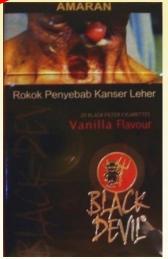




- Targeting youth and female
- Colours are used to depict different flavours

## **Fruit Flavoured Cigarettes**

Malaysia



**Vanila** 



**Strawberry** 



**Green Apple** 



**Orange** 



**Sunny Peach** 



**Sweet Melon** 



**Menthol Orange** 



**Green Apple** 

Genorali baru kretek tangan dengan pupuk cakiat yang eksotik, dipadi dengan bahan atami berkualitas, menjadian sedap bahan atami berkualitas, menjadian sedap bahan gang dalam cakat canta unik dan mentap.

MEROKOK DAPAT MENYEBABKAN KANKER, SERANGAN JANTUNG, IMPOTENSI DAN GANGGUAN KEHAMILAN DAN JANIN





Philippines

CHILL

\$30.00

\$6/26/10

GOVERNMENT WARNING:
CIGARETTE SMOKING
IS DANGEROUS
TO YOUR HEALTH

Confectionery Flavoured Cigarettes

## New Filter Design Technology

Malaysia





WRC-Wrapped Re-Functional Charcoal Filter Technology



2010

Triple Filter
Charcoal
Technology

Cambodia

2012







Insert

**Quality of charcoal filter** 



Mintek
Charged Filter
Technology

## **Menthol Capsule Filter**

Malaysia

2011







A special icon has been developed to be printed on the pack to visually associate the unique product features with the new cigarette



The new Dunhill
Switch give the
choice between a
normal flavored
smoke and menthol
in one cigarette

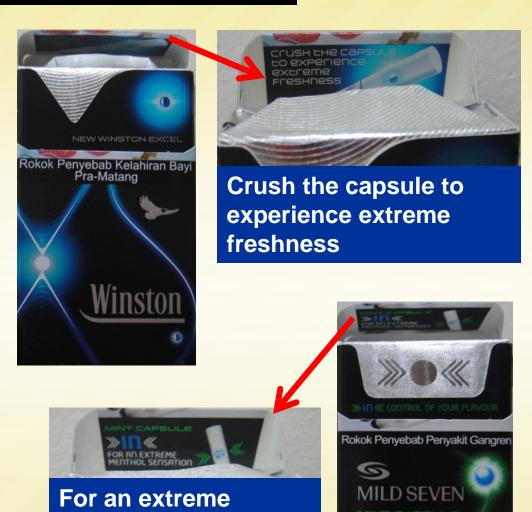
## **Mint Capsule Filter**

2012

2011



Release Mint by crushing the capsule

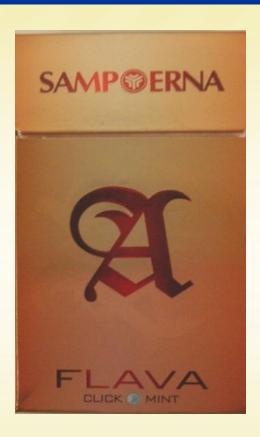


menthol sensation

## Sampoerna Flava offers 2-in-1 taste products - Mint Cigarettes

Indonesia

2011



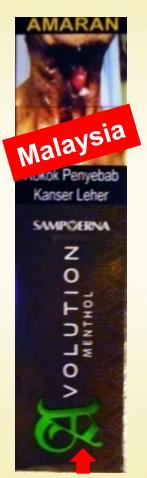


When smokers click the filter (a mint ball) to release the flavor from the capsule while smoking, they can indulge in a second taste

## Superslims and 'Purse packs' Targeting Women



A volution kretek Slims

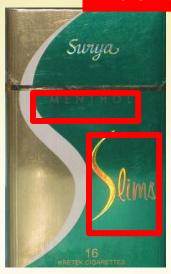


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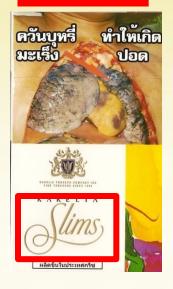
### Slim/Super Slim Cigarettes Designed for Women

#### Indonesia





### **Thailand**



### **Philippines**



#### Cambodia



#### **Vietnam**



- •Elegant slims influence beliefs about smoking and weight control
- Colours intended for smokers to coordinate with outfits/mood

### **Kiddy Packs Design**

#### Cambodia





ARA-12 Sticks: BAT introduced kiddy packs to target teenagers

### **Indonesia**



Clas Mild low tar and slim packaging

### **Philippines**



Kiddie pack in the form of sachet packaging

## **Use of New Descriptors/Terms on Packs**

Word or descriptor used to promote different product design such as "light", "ultra light", "mild", "cool", "extra", "low tar", "special", "full flavour", "premium", "rich", "famous", "slim"

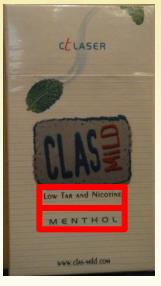
- Communicate strength
- Convey the impression of lower tar or milder cigarettes
- Suggest superiority or variations in quality of the product

## **Product Variants Using Descriptors**



















Malaysia



- •With descriptor ban in 2009, colours were used to replace descriptors such as blue (Light), red (Regular) and green (Menthol)
- •Colour coding has been used to sensitize smokers to different product designs prior to descriptor ban

## Sensitize Consumers to the Types of Product Design Using Colours



Different colour coding to differentiate product designs such as red colour for regular cigarette, blue for light cigarette and green for menthol cigarette





# Attractive Pack Designs Targeting Youth

**Indonesia** 

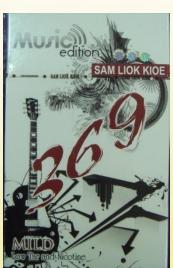
Cambodia

2011









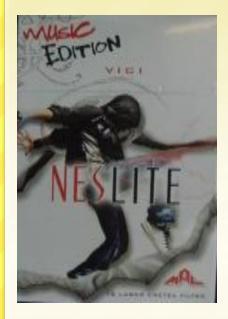


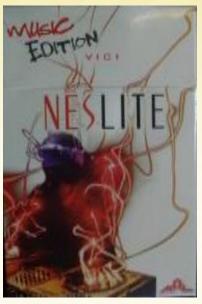
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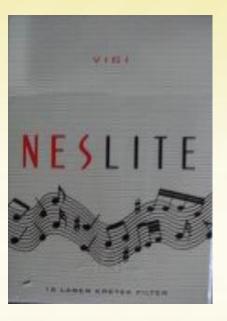
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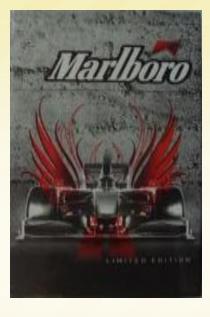
### 2011

## **Targeting Youth**









Neslite
Music
Edition:
Version 1
(Dancer)

Neslite Music Edition: Version 2 (Disk Jockey (DJ))

Neslite Music Edition: Version 3 (musical note)

Marlboro Limited Edition

## **Novelty Packaging Design**

### Limited editions coinciding with various events



Lao New Year in April 2011



Innovative packaging designs help to promote products and brand identity

## **New Packaging Design**

### **Special Edition**

Cambodia



2012



The Top of DOUBLE HAPPINESS

"New International Look, Same Great Taste"



New blue pack design with new style of eagle image



### Indonesia

## **New Packaging Design**

2011

### New Kretek Product Design



Sejati
Gold:
kretek"
version for
Bentoel
Sejati
brand

Apache
Kretek: kretekversion forApache brand

### **Special promotion**

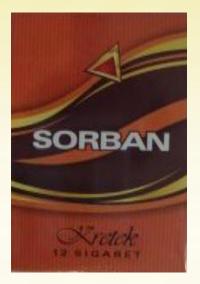
A Mild
Limited
Time
Only
Regular
and
Menthol



Djarum
Black
Menthol
New
Look



#### **Indonesia**





**Halim Filter** 

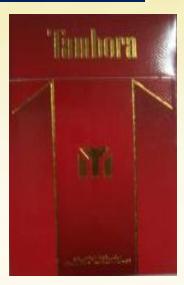
# **New Cigarette Brands and Product Designs (2011)**







Djarum
Super Mild:
New Mild
version from
Djarum



Tambora:
New
product
from PT
Tambora
Mulyorejo
, Malang

**Esse Golden Leaf** 

# New Cigarette Brands and Product Designs (2012)

### **Indonesia**



**Lao PDR** 



# Exploiting the loopholes in the Control of Tobacco Product (Amendment) Regulations 2008

### Malaysia

No specification of size of the pack, thus allowing the tobacco industry to introduce cigarette packs in the shape of small 'lipstick' boxes

Lipstick pack

Tax stamp concealing pictorial health warning



Distortion of the picture warning as the cigarette packaging is smaller in size

## Conclusion

- Tobacco industry exploits existing tobacco control legislation across the ASEAN region
- Countries are encouraged to adopt plain packaging that requires a standardized packaging removing all product advertising including colours, logos, brand imagery to effectively counter industry's creative pack designs

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