

FRIEND introduces new variety of tea

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Update: 6:05PM A NEW variety of tea has taken the local market by storm and could possibly be exported to Australia after Australian markets expressed their interest.

Founder and director of the new blend of herbal aroma, Shashi Kiran explained, "The product range is an initiative of Foundation for Rural Integrated Enterprises & Development, (FRIEND) a development NGO working with rural and marginalised communities for social and economic empowerment."

Formed in 2001, FRIEND has introduced a number of products including jams, pickles and chutneys, dried fruits, Gluten free flours and spices into the market.

The projects are originally funded under the Social Mitigation Support Program in 2010 and funded by the European Union - the project is called GROW.