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Paving the Pathways to Precision: LTPL's Pioneering Solutions at IMTEX FORMING 2024

Amidst the new era of India's rapidly advancing industries, the integration of sophisticated laser solutions has emerged as a pivotal catalyst in propelling transformative growth. **Laser Technologies Pvt. Ltd.** stands at the forefront of this industrial revolution, welding advanced laser technology that redefine precision and efficiency. With a steely resolve to innovation and a relentless pursuit of excellence, the company's participation in **IMTEX FORMING 2024 Expo** signifies a strategic endeavor to showcase cutting-edge solutions that not only elevate industry standards but also serve as a pivotal role of laser technology in the nation's industrial evolution.

As a pivotal participant in this esteemed event, Laser Technologies is poised to redefine industry standards, create new business opportunities and offer unparalleled benefits to visitors, marking a milestone in the evolution of Fiber Laser Technology and Laser Cutting.

“As part of India's journey towards becoming a manufacturing powerhouse, our vision is clear: contribute by delivering top-notch industrial technology and unmatched service support. Our success is intricately woven into the success of our clients. We don't just provide solutions; we cultivate partnerships that drive the manufacturing vision forward, one success story at a time.”

Pankti Agarwal,
Director, Laser Technologies Pvt. Ltd.

ELEVATING INDUSTRY STANDARDS:

Participating in this expo heralds an unprecedented opportunity for industry stakeholders to explore cutting-edge innovations tailored for diverse sectors. At IMTEX Forming 2024, Laser Technologies aims to introduce a spectrum of laser solutions catering to Manufacturing, Automotive, Aerospace, and beyond. Covering a comprehensive range of applications from precision cutting to seamless welding, intricate marking, and detailed engraving; LTPL's spotlight lies in the expertise of Fiber Laser Technology, promising unparalleled precision and efficiency.

UNVEILING BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES:

Laser Technologies' participation at IMTEX Forming 2024 unlocks a myriad of business prospects. Serving as a platform to engage with industry experts, potential collaborators, and customers seeking advanced solutions. This event fosters partnerships and establishes LTPL as an industry leader committed to technological advancement and excellence.

VISITOR-CENTRIC BENEFITS:

For visitors, IMTEX Forming 2024 becomes a gateway to a world of opportunities. Exploring Laser Technologies exhibit offers a firsthand experience of futuristic solutions that elevate precision, boost productivity, and streamline operations across diverse sectors. The insights gained from interactions, live demonstrations, and discussions can equip attendees with the knowledge to make informed decisions for their businesses.

Laser Technologies Pvt. Ltd. assumes a central role at IMTEX Forming 2024, signifying more than a mere display of cutting-edge technology. It embodies a commitment to redefining industry benchmarks, fostering innovation, and unlocking new possibilities. This event serves as a pivotal opportunity not only for LTPL's collective growth but also as a conduit for visitors to behold the transformative potential of laser solutions in metal forming and beyond.

PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

HSG Laser Tube Cutting Machine TL660



Specifications:

- Heavy-duty pneumatic chucks for stable clamping.
- Maximum clamping diameter: 660mm (Round Tube).
- Single tube bearing: 3000 Kg.
- Automatic Loading and Unloading System (Optional).
- HSG-XBus Control System.
- Tube Splicing Technology.

Single Bed Laser Cutting Machine 6KW



Specifications:

- 6KW Laser Power: Cuts stainless steel and mild steel precisely.
- Material Compatibility: Handles varied thicknesses in architectural works.
- Ease of Use: Simplifies control for precise customization.
- Automation Integration: Boosts productivity in cutting processes.
- Applications: Ideal for architectural stainless steel and mild steel elements.
- Follow-up Response Technology.
- Professional Nesting Software with Standard Configuration.
- Single platform with open structure which can load materials from three directions to achieve tiny machine size.
- Power 6000W and can process up to 3000mm to 1500mm.

Laser Tube Cutting Machine R3



Specifications:

- Laser Power: Adaptable for different materials and cutting needs.
- Tube Handling: 20-219 to 20-150.
- Material Compatibility: Precision cuts on various tube materials.
- Cutting Speed: 90 m/min.
- HSGX 9000 Bus-based Tube Cutting Control System.
- Automatic Pneumatic Double Chucks.

Laser Sheet Cutting Machine G6025H 20KW



Specifications:

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Specifications:

- Laser Type: CO2, ideal for diverse material engraving.
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- Material Compatibility: Engraves wood, acrylic, leather, glass, and more.
- Engraving Speed: Efficient rates up to 1000mm/s for productivity.
- Resolution: Provides detailed engraving from 1000 to 5000 DPI.
- Software Compatibility: Works with design software for user-friendly customization.
- Cooling System: Equipped with air or water cooling for optimal performance.
- Safety Features includes enclosed workspaces and emergency stops.
- Applications for artistic designs, signage, industrial marking, and prototyping.

Handheld Laser Fiber Welding Machine



Specifications:

- Power Range: 1000W to 3000W
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BREAKING RECORDS

IMTEX FORMING 2024: Heralding a Bright Future

Set against the backdrop of state-of-the-art machinery and visionary insights, the inaugural ceremony of IMTEX FORMING 2024 & Tooltech 2024 instilled a sense of optimism as industry experts supported their insightful deliberations on the trends and technologies within the metal forming sector with awe-inspiring numbers, echoing the industry's unwavering commitment to progress.



Source: Maple Wand Media

L-R: Rajendra S Rajamane, President, IMTMA; CK Venkataraman, Managing Director, Titan Company Ltd; Mohini Kelkar, Vice-President, IMTMA; Geetanjali Kirloskar, Chairperson & Managing Director, Kirloskar Systems Pvt Ltd; Jamshyd N Godrej, Chairman - Exhibitions - IMTMA and Jibak Dasgupta, Director General & CEO, IMTMA and BIEC at the opening ceremony.

The eighth edition of IMTMA's flagship event and Asia's largest exhibition on metal forming and manufacturing technologies, IMTEX FORMING 2024 & Tooltech 2024 was inaugurated yesterday with the traditional lamp lighting ceremony by the Guest of Honor CK Venkataraman, Managing Director, Titan Company Ltd and Chief Guest Geetanjali Kirloskar, Chairperson & Managing Director, Kirloskar Systems Pvt Ltd. Other dignitaries present included Jamshyd N Godrej, Chairman, Exhibitions - IMTMA; Rajendra S Rajamane, President, IMTMA; Mohini Kelkar, Vice President, IMTMA; and Jibak Dasgupta, DG & CEO - IMTMA.

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CK VENKATARAMAN
Managing Director
Titan Company Ltd

The Indian machine tool industry caters to the automotive sector in a big way today. However, it has to focus on precision manufacturing too, so that we can reliably depend on our domestic machine tools manufacturers completely.



GEETANJALI KIRLOSKAR
Chairperson &
Managing Director
Kirloskar Systems Limited

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Source: Magic Wand Media

Towards an integrated India

Speaking at the inauguration, Venkataraman stated, "The soul of the Titan company is in technology and manufacturing. Today, it has become a well-rounded lifestyle product company. We are not only going to manufacture a world-class product, we are going to manufacture world-leading products in the coming days. So the machine tool industry is very much sitting in making that happen."
"Although the Indian machine tool industry is very large, it has to rise in the area of sophistication. The kind of parts that we make for our watches need a very high level of

precision. The Indian machine tool industry caters to the automotive sector in a big way today. However, it has to focus on precision manufacturing too, so that we can reliably depend on our domestic machine tools manufacturers completely," he added.
In his opening address, Godrej highlighted the growth and significance of IMTEX over the years and highlighted BIEC's substantial presence as the largest exhibition center in South India. He acknowledged the support received from the industry and emphasized the importance of connectivity, both in terms of infrastructure and industry-customer relationships. "The infrastructure in and around BIEC is also being upgraded. We will see better connectivity with the metro station already being built in front of BIEC which will ease the commuting experience for anyone planning to visit the exhibitions and events at BIEC," he stated. The ultimate goal,

according to him, is to see the Indian manufacturing industry flourish and extend its reach, promoting a more connected and developed India.
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Contributing to India's development

Rajamane emphasized the need for the machine tool industry to diversify beyond serving traditional sectors like automobiles. It suggests expanding into emerging industries such as electronics, semiconductors, renewable energy, defence, aerospace, electric vehicle battery manufacturing, toys, and agriculture. "The focus should be on producing high-quality, reliable products that can compete globally and encouraging innovation to gain a competitive edge. The industry is urged to develop energy-efficient, multitasking machines with an eye on exporting to global markets," he added.
The Indian manufacturing industry is positioned very well to take off to increase its contribution to GDP in the next five years. The consumption of machine tools in India increased about 55 percent

in 22-23, reaching about US \$3 billion. Reminiscing about her journey, which began on the shopfloor decades ago, Kirloskar said, "The manufacturing sector is positioned to do very well in the next few years." She added, "The automotive sector and the machine tool industry have a symbiotic relationship with one sector's growth pushing the demand in the other. The growth of the automotive sector has been the driving force for machine tools for many years. The automotive industry landscape is changing with the entry of hybrid, electric vehicles and flexi fuel engine vehicles giving new opportunities for the machine tool industry." She acknowledged the significant role of IMTEX FORMING in the metal forming sector, highlighting its critical importance for the Indian manufacturing industry. She noted the Government's emphasis on initiatives such as 'Make in India', 'Digital India', and 'Skill India' in positioning India as a global manufacturing and design hub. She referred to the 'plus one strategy' and geopolitics, suggesting that these factors are contributing to India's development in the manufacturing sector.
Kelkar thanked all dignitaries, exhibitors, visitors, and international associations for their support, making the event a global success. SD



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Inradev Babu, Managing Director, UCAM Pvt Ltd (fourth from right) was awarded IMTMA DB Cooper Award for outstanding supply chain unit in memory of Sir D. B. Cooper to recognize units in the supply chain of the machine tool industry.

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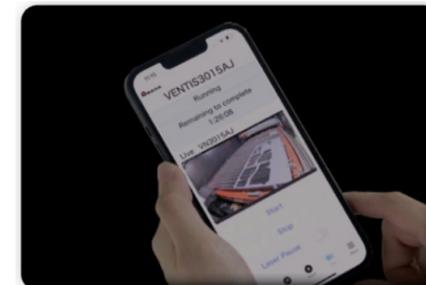
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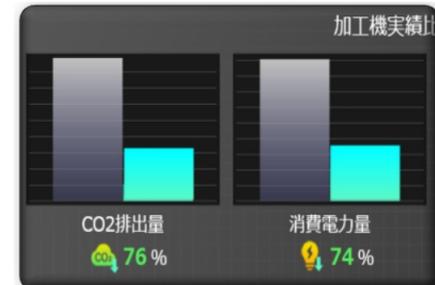
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FIRMING FOOTPRINT IN INDIA

TRUMPF Expands in India, Announces to add New upcoming Facility in Pune

To strengthen its presence in India, TRUMPF announced investing into setting up a production Facility in Pune, India. The proposed new facility, to be spread across a sprawling area of 43,000 sq ft, is to commence its operations by the end of this year.



L-R: Mohammed Hidayath, Director sales, TRUMPF India Pvt Ltd; Pradeep Patil, Managing Director, TRUMPF India Pvt Ltd and Till Kueppers, Chief Operating Officer, TRUMPF Machine Tools, Germany during the expansion announcement of TRUMPF India

At a recently held press conference Till Kueppers, Chief Operating Officer, TRUMPF Machine Tools, Germany, shared the company's plans for investment in India, especially Pune, and stated, "This significant expansion of our footprint in India not only underscores our commitment to growth and innovation but also deepens our connection with the dynamic economy and culture of this fascinating country." To expand its business and strengthen its relationship with the Indian community, he added, "The proximity to this emerging market allows us not only to produce more efficiently but also to respond more quickly to our customers' needs, shortening

delivery times and enhancing customer satisfaction." TRUMPF's long-term expansion strategy begins with this investment and it plans to invest €5 million for the new plant, with a planned capacity of 300 units per year. Pradeep Patil, Managing Director, TRUMPF in India, noted, "Our commitment to quality positions us as a preferred choice in the Indian market. Customers can expect faster turnaround, responsiveness, and efficient service with local production. The facility also acts as a hub to upgrade the skills of our service technicians, adding significant value for our customers."

Machines of the future

The new facility will initially produce TruBend series 1000 Basic

Edition bending machines, with plans to expand to TruLaser cutting series 1000 Basic Edition by 2025. In addition to this development, TRUMPF is bolstering its support infrastructure by adding a showroom in Bengaluru, covering an area of 22,100 sq ft, to serve southern customers. It is slated to be operational within this year.

Smart factories and growth

Witnessing a substantial demand for automation and Industry 4.0-based solutions, providing various scopes for growth, Mohammed Hidayath, Director Sales, TRUMPF in India, commented, "We look forward to having multiple smart factories enabled with room automation solutions in India. Automation and Industry

4.0-based solutions are in high demand, providing growth opportunities. We are creating a new business vertical in India to service our customers in solar, consumer electronics, and semi-con market areas, and we expect great growth." IMTEX FORMING 2024 is featuring the company's latest sheet metal applications, laser cutting equipment, and welding solutions. In conclusion, Hidayath, said, "As we embark on this exciting journey, we look forward to maintaining growth and a brighter future for all stakeholders involved in this success." SD

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TILL KUEPPERS
Chief Operating Officer
TRUMPF Machine Tools
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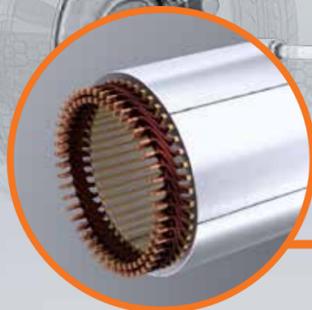


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Amada India eagerly shares a glimpse into its showcase at IMTEX FORMING 2024, highlighting groundbreaking products and technologies set to transform the sheet metal industry. Participating in IMTEX FORMING contributes substantially to the company's business growth. The exhibition provides a platform to reach new customers, showcase innovative technologies, and interact with a broad industry audience. The exposure garnered during the event enhances business prospects and accelerates the company's market presence.

Focus on sustainable manufacturing

At IMTEX FORMING 2024, Amada India has introduced its range of ECO products to support the Indian Sheet Metal industry with sustainable manufacturing. "We are launching many first technologies like Locus Beam Control (LBC Technology) fiber laser technology designed for high-speed material

processing, impeccable cut quality, and cost-effectiveness. We are introducing Bending Automation for job shops to support high-mix, low-volume manufacturing. At the same time, our focus is on IoT-based equipment and software to enhance customers' productivity," shares Niraj Seth, President, Amada (India) Pvt Ltd. According to him, another most important process in fabrication is Bending, which needs a high-accuracy, high-speed, low-skill operation press brake. "Taking this need in consideration, we are going to introduce a complete servo-driven, automation-enabled press brake system which will revolutionize the bending operation," he remarks.

The introduction of Bending Automation for job shops addresses the needs of high-mix, low-volume manufacturing. Amada recognizes the importance of IoT-based equip-

NIRAJ SETH
President
Amada (India) Pvt Ltd

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ment and software in enhancing customer productivity and strives to integrate this focus into its offerings.

Target industries

Amada India extends its invitation to visitors and delegates from diverse sectors, anticipating a significant turnout from sheet

metal fabricating industries, including construction, agriculture, telecom, medical equipment, and aerospace. With solutions tailored for small, medium, and large-scale manufacturers, Amada is poised to engage with professionals across the spectrum of sheet metal applications. **SD**

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Tushar Pawar, National Head, AMPCO METAL India Pvt Ltd, considers IMTEX FORMING as one of the most notable exhibitions in India. "It's a platform to connect with everyone who matters – potential customers, industry leaders, and fellow innovators. It is a one-stop shop to showcase our solutions and engage with the entire ecosystem," he notes. AMPCO METAL India is proud to be the inventor of high-performance copper alloys. These alloys open possibilities for engineers working with challenging materials like stainless steel, titanium, Inconel, etc. At IMTEX, the company demonstrates these solutions firsthand and finds opportunities to partner with companies on new, challenging, and exciting applications.

Displaying a unique range of alloys

As an inventor of high-specialty copper alloys and manufacturing the same under the brand name of AMPCO® and AMPCOLOY®, the company, at IMTEX FORMING 2024, presents a range of high-hardness aluminum bronze and high-conductivity copper alloys. "We are showcasing metal forming tools produced in our range of high wear- and tear-resistant materials like AMPCO®18, AMPCO®21, AMPCO®25 and AMPCO®M4 along with high conductivity materials like AMPCOLOY®83, AMPCOLOY®940, AMPCOLOY®972," shares Pawar. At IMTEX FORMING 2024, it is displaying solutions for the metal forming industry like tube bending tools, tube forming + welding rolls, deep drawing dies, high-

**TUSHAR PAWAR
National Head
AMPCO METAL India Pvt Ltd**

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wear resistant parts, resistance welding electrodes, anti-spatter solutions, etc. The parts produced for pharmaceutical and food packaging applications are on display as well. "We have recently ventured into metal additive manufacturing

which revolutionizes the way metal components are produced, offering unprecedented design freedom, cost-efficiency, and time savings," he adds. It is also showcasing its AMPCO®25 material, which is prominently used in tube-forming rolls and deep drawing dies. AMPCOLOY® high-conductivity copper alloys are used for resistance welding, plastic mold, anti-spatter, etc. applications. **SD**

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In addition to all these above functions, BB4013 comes with a high-rigidity offset frame which permits the back gauge to be used up to the full machine length, enabling step bend. The machine comes with a high-precision 4-axis back gauge. **SD**



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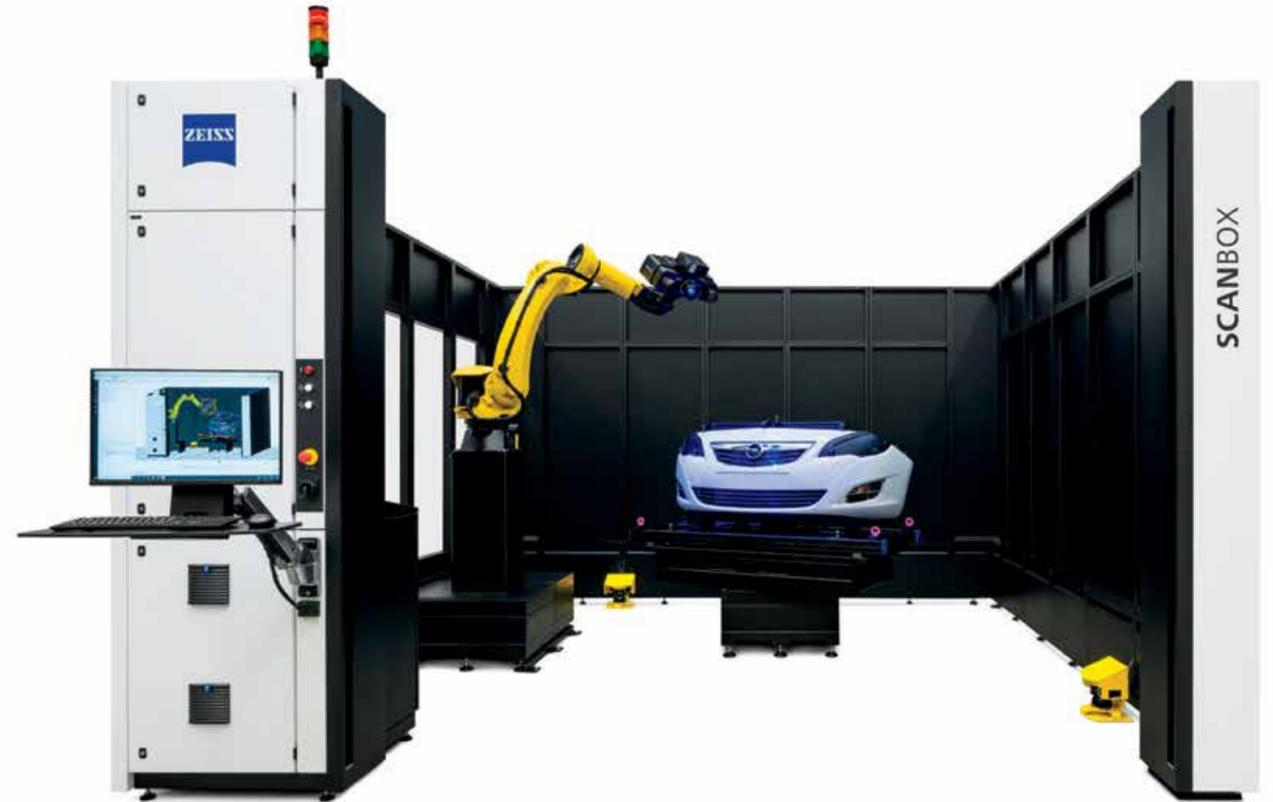


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Self-Reliance in India's Forming Technology

Organized by Indian Machine Tool Manufacturers' Association (IMTMA), the International Seminar on Forming Technology (ISFT) 2024 at Bangalore International Exhibition Centre on January 18 laid the foundation for a comprehensive exploration of forming technology innovations and applications.



L-R: Ingrid Rasquinha, Joint Managing Director, Electropneumatics & Hydraulics (I) Pvt Ltd and Chairperson, International Seminar on Forming Technology; Mohini Kelkar, Vice-President, IMTMA; Laxmesh BH, Vice President & Head of Missiles & Aerospace Business, Larsen & Toubro Ltd; Rajendra S Rajamane, President, IMTMA and Jibak Dasgupta, Director General & CEO, IMTMA and BIEC during the seminar.

President, IMTMA said, "Your presence enriches ISFT 2024 by promoting knowledge sharing and collaboration."

Challenges & opportunities

The sessions highlighted the metal forming industry's challenges and potential, particularly in light of indigenization of India's defence.

Laxmesh BH, Vice President & Head of Missiles & Aerospace Business, Larsen & Toubro Ltd, underscored the importance of the metal forming sector in the country's journey towards self-reliance in the defence sector. Urging industry stakeholders to work together to address problems in the path, he pointed out, "Despite challenges such as precision limitations, cost issues, and geopolitical volatility, there is a noticeable shift from being a major defence importer to fostering domestic production."

Diverse themes and diversification

Pointing toward the comprehensive nature of the seminar, Ingrid Rasquinha, Jt Managing Director, Electropneumatics & Hydraulics (I) Pvt Ltd and Chairperson, International Seminar on Forming Technology, said: "Our sessions cover a spectrum of themes including New Technology Trends, Equipment and Processes, Tools and Enabling Ecosystem, and Laser Applications and Joining. We expect a rich exploration of forming technology and this session aims at exploring the changing environment of forming technologies, from aerospace to industrial."

Mohini Kelkar, Vice President, IMTMA, emphasized that identifying opportunities to diversify the machine tool sector beyond the automotive industry was crucial.

International Seminar on Forming Technology (ISFT) 2024 featured insightful keynote presentation on 'Prospects in Defense Sector for Indian Manufacturing Industry' by L&T Defense. Welcoming the audience, Rajendra Rajamane,

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Strengthening Business Bonds

India has long been an important and large market for the German machine tool industry. "Hence, IMTEX FORMING is an excellent platform for intensifying cooperation with the Indian industry and with our Indian customers, for selling machines and entering into cooperations. VDW and the German exhibitors are excited to participate in IMTEX FORMING 2024 and connect with our existing and new customers," says Klaus-Peter KuhnMünch, Manager General Affairs, VDW (German Machine Tool Manufacturers' Association).

"The division of IMTEX into metal cutting and metal forming has been a good decision. After all, it is in line with the global trend towards establishing more and more different trade fairs within the production technology sector, thus addressing even more targeted, qualified trade visitors. Meanwhile, it has established itself as India's leading trade fair for forming technology/sheet metal working," he adds.

Comprehensive German product range on display

Although the Indian machine tool industry has developed significantly in terms of technology, German machine tools are highly valued in India and are sold well in various sectors. "The range of products and services offered by the German machine tool industry is very diverse. It ranges from simple machines to very complex special technological solutions, especially in the field of forming technology/sheet metal processing. Consultancy, financing, and service are also an outstanding strength of German suppliers. And this ultimately also benefits our highly valued customers in India," states KuhnMünch.

India currently ranks 13th among Germany's most important customer countries worldwide. Exports of German machine tools to India summed up to about €195 million in 2022. This represents an increase of around

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55 percent compared to the previous year. Exports also rose sharply in the first ten months of 2023 to €184 million. That was around 29 percent higher than in the same period of the previous year. The types of machines exported in 2023 are very diverse: grinding machines, eroding machines, gear-cutting machines, machining centers, presses, lathes, etc.

After China and Japan, Germany has been the third most important supplier of machine tools to India for many years. It is followed by South Korea, Taiwan, and the USA.

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IMTMA Export Performance Award 2024



ISGEC Heavy Engineering Ltd received the award in Metal Forming Manufacturer Category



Jyoti CNC Automation Ltd received the award in Metal Cutting Manufacturer Category

IMTMA Best Design Award 2024



Electropneumatics & Hydraulics (I) Pvt Ltd received the award for CNC hybrid bender model 50CNC5X3



IND-SphinxPrecision Ltd received the award in Sub-System / Accessories Manufacturer Category



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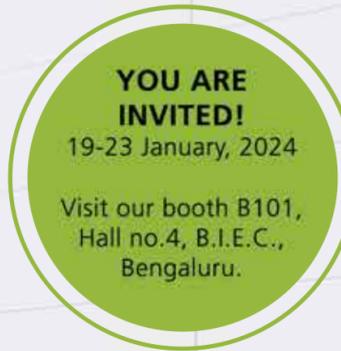
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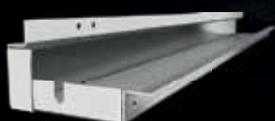
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