

IMTEX' 17 throws new light on manufacturing sector

Indian Machine Tool Manufacturers' Association's (IMTMA) flagship exhibition "IMTEX 2017 & Tooltech 2017" held at the Bangalore International Exhibition Centre (BIEC) in Bengaluru concluded on 1 February 2017. The exhibition attracted a footfall of 75,440 visitors. Orders worth Rs. 1,670 Cr and enquiries to the value of Rs. 18,989 Cr were generated during the exhibition. Compared to IMTEX 2015 & Tooltech 2015 the booked orders have shown an increase of 16%, whereas the generated enquiries increased by 21%.

The exhibition held at BIEC from 26 January to 1 February 2017 was inaugurated by Shri Siddaramaiah, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Karnataka. Mr. Girish Shankar, Secretary (HI), Department of Heavy Industry, Ministry of Heavy Industries & Public Enterprises, Government of India; D.V. Prasad, I.A.S., Additional Chief Secretary, Commerce & Industries Department, Government of Karnataka; and Dr. Naushad Forbes, President, Confederation of Indian Industry (CII).

Speaking about the advancements in



technology demonstrated at IMTEX 2017, IMTMA President, P. G. Jadeja reflected, "IMTEX 2017 once again provided a platform for launch of new machines with latest technologies related to the machine tool industry. Technologies such as Internet of Things, Industry 4.0, 3D printing, etc. attracted large number of visitors mostly technology professionals including 158 trade delegations from public and private sectors such as automobiles, auto components, defence, aerospace, railways, power and energy, pharmaceuticals, etc."

IMTMA Director General, V. Anbu stated: "With the addition of a newly constructed state-of-the-art hall measuring 17,500 square metres IMTMA was able to provide more space for exhibitors



to showcase machines which in turn translated into more orders and enquiries than ever before." For the first time an International Buyer Seller Meet was organized by IMTMA and EEPCC (Engineering Export Promotion Council) which saw participation of 57 international buyers from 19 countries.

The show also hosted student centric programmes such as i2 Academia Pavilion (a special pavilion representing academic and research institutions) Jagruti (a programme to orient engineering students with emerging technologies), and Connect (an awareness programme for young engineers visiting IMTEX) which evoked good response from both students and colleges from across India.

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International cutting tool supplier Dormer Pramet has launched a new machining data calculator app. Designed primarily for smartphones, the "calculators' app" will help determine a variety of data on popular operations including milling, turning, drilling, threading and boring.

By entering different job settings including tool diameter and material type the user can quickly and easily establish the optimum conditions for an efficient machining process. A wide range of parameters can be navigated by simply swiping the screen, including power demand, torque and cutting time. Available in 18 languages, ad-



ditional user preferences provided include metric and inch options.

A valuable tool for engineers and machine operations across a wide range of industries, the app is available to download now, free of charge, from iTunes and Google Play.