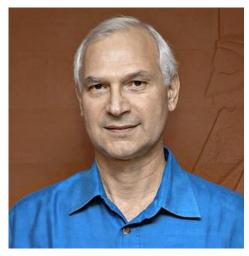
## South East Asia's Biggest Metal Forming Exhibition will Unveil Future Technologies



Jamshyd N. Godrej, Chairman - Exhibitions, IMTMA

Metal forming is one of the major verticals in machine tool industry. The market size of India's metal forming sector during 2016-17 was estimated at Rs.2,450 Cr and metal forming constituted around 20 per cent of the total machine tool demand in the country.

India is still an importer of metal forming machine tools for its consumption but with more research and development the sector can attain sizeable growth to meet the growing requirements of technologies in aerospace, defence, heavy engineering, medical engineering, and capital goods, and the like. Indian metal forming industry is expected to grow at a compound annual growth rate of around 15 per cent in the next 3 years.

Indian Machine Tool Manufacturers' Association (IMTMA) is organizing 'IMTEX FORMING 2018 & Tooltech 2018' at Bangalore International Exhibition Centre, Bengaluru between January 25th and January 30th 2018. "The whole idea of IMTEX is to have a working solution in place where you can demonstrate an actual working system to people who have the opportunity to have a discussion over it, closely observe its working, see what it can do for their business and how it can make them more competitive," says Jamshyd N. Godrej, Chairman, Board of Godrej & Boyce Manufacturing Company Ltd & Chairman Exhibitions, IMTMA.

Innovations in metal forming technologies such as robotics and automation, welding and joining, wire-forming and drawing, presses, die casting, hydro forming, sheet metal forming, presses for applications, dies and moulds, and hydraulic and pneumatic systems and elements will be on display. The concurrent event, Tooltech 2018 will showcase a whole range of peripherals and tools for metalworking machine tools, measuring machines and instruments, CAD/CAM, among others. "I firmly believe that IMTEX FORMING 2018 & Tooltech 2018 exhibitions will provide a great platform for knowledge sharing and business development." P. Ramadas, President, IMTMA.

Exhibitors from 23 countries: Austria, Belgium, China, Czech Republic, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Netherlands, Poland, Singapore, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, United Kingdom, United Arab Emirates and United States of America, are participating in the exhibition. Three countries China, Taiwan and Germany will have group participation. International associations such as Association for Manufacturing Technology (AMT) from USA, Japan Forming Machinery Association (JFMA) from Japan, Japan Machine Tool Builders' Association (JMTBA) from Japan, Manufacturing Technologies Association (MTA) from UK, Taiwan Association of Machinery Industry (TAMI) from Taiwan, UCIMU-SISTEMI PER PRODURRE (UCIMU) from Italy, and German Machine Tool Builders Association (VDW) from Germany will be participating in the show.

"India's metal forming sector is still evolving and IMTEX FORMING exhibition will give a boost to this segment," signs off V. Anbu, Director General & CEO, IMTMA.

Attractions at

the exhibition

Around 500 exhibitors from 23 countries including India.

Reverse International Buyer-Seller Meet (an interactive platform for machine tool manufacturers and international buyers).

i2 (Industry-Institution) Academia Pavilion (an event for academia to showcase their research and interact with industry players to make their research commercially available in the market). Connect (an awareness programme on machine tool industry for students visiting the exhibition).

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