

PRESS RELEASE

Indian Metal Forming Industry is all set to grow with new co-located shows at IMTEX FORMING 2024

IMTMA and Landesmesse Stuttgart GmbH join hands to launch MOLDEX and FASTNEX

Bengaluru, 23 June 2023: Indian machine tool industry's evolvement is giving rise to the demand for new technologies in metal forming. IMTEX FORMING has always played a catalytic role in the growth of the metal forming business for more than a decade. The metal forming industry landscape includes some important technologies like molding, fasteners, welding, laser cutting, etc. Expanding the profile of IMTEX FORMING would benefit the machine tool and manufacturing industries. In this context, Indian Machine Tool Manufacturers' Association (IMTMA) has been partnering with domestic and international organizations to co-locate new shows along with IMTEX FORMING.

IMTMA and Landesmesse Stuttgart GmbH (Messe Stuttgart) are pleased to announce a partnership to organize MOLDEX India and FASTNEX. Both these shows will be held at Bangalore International Exhibition Centre in Bengaluru along with IMTEX FORMING, Tooltech, Digital Manufacturing, and WELDEXPO (organized in association with the Indian Institute of Welding), which takes place from 19 - 23 January 2024.

MOLDEX India is the satellite show of the Molding Expo Stuttgart/Germany and would highlight the latest advancements and solutions in the field of molding technology. FASTNEX is a new trade fair for the fastening and fixing sector and will showcase the latest trends in fastening, fixing, joining, and assembly technologies. Both these shows are being held for the first time along with IMTEX FORMING.

This remarkable move would strengthen the Indian metal forming machine tool sector as it would bring the key profiles of molding technology and fastening and fixing solutions. With this expansion, the combined shows will offer visitors cutting-edge technologies and solutions that would propel the growth of the manufacturing industry, consolidate cross-industry learning, spark innovation, and fuel collaborative partnerships.

MOLDEX and FASTNEX together with IMTEX FORMING, Tooltech, Digital Manufacturing and WELDEXPO will provide comprehensive coverage on the entire metal forming and digital manufacturing technologies which are widely used in various industry sectors such as automotive, aerospace, medical, consumer durables, construction, defence and many more. The shows will be able to attract a good number of visitors who can find solutions to their everyday manufacturing needs in one place.

Speaking about the new initiative, Jibak Dasgupta, Director General & CEO, IMTMA said, "Indian metal forming sector which recovered post the pandemic is expected to grow further. The machine tool industry needs to tap the rising demand and develop new technologies to meet the requirements of the user sectors. IMTEX FORMING has always played a catalytic role in bringing technologies and with the addition of the new shows the metal forming industry would get a boost and visitors will be able to source all the allied technologies in the industry

in one place. IMTMA partnering with Landesmesse Stuttgart to hold MOLDEX and Fastnex along with IMTEX FORMING will enhance the value proposition and provide a platform to showcase innovations and forge collaborations.”

Expressing his views about the development, Bernhard Müller, Executive Vice President and Member of the Management Board of Landesmesse Stuttgart GmbH stated, “The integration of MOLDEX India and FASTNEX with IMTEX FORMING will strengthen the synergy between various industries and create a comprehensive platform for participants to explore the latest trends and technologies. We are delighted to collaborate with IMTMA and look forward to a successful partnership.”

For more information and to participate in these exciting events, please visit the official websites: www.imtex.in, www.fastnex-india.com, and www.moldex-india.com.

About IMTMA

Formed in 1946, IMTMA is the apex body of the Indian machine tool industry and plays an important role in its development through various advocacy measures. IMTMA has supported the setting up of institutions such as the Advanced Machine Tool Testing Facility and Advanced Manufacturing Technology Development Centre and worked closely with the government to set up a first-of-its-kind machine tool park in Karnataka.

IMTMA has been at the forefront of skill development through its Technology Centres in Bengaluru, Pune and Gurugram. Its flagship show IMTEX is one of the leading global machine tool exhibitions. IMTMA also organizes seminars, summits, and regional expos to develop the manufacturing industry. A state-of-the-art exhibition venue - Bangalore International Exhibition Centre (BIEC) set up by IMTMA acts as an ecosystem for the development of exhibitions and events in India.

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About Landesmesse Stuttgart GmbH

Landesmesse Stuttgart GmbH (Messe Stuttgart) is one of the leading international trade fair companies with expertise in organizing high-quality events and exhibitions across a wide range of industries. Located in Stuttgart, Germany, the venue offers state-of-the-art facilities and services to exhibitors and visitors alike. With over 80 years of experience, Messe Stuttgart has established itself as a reliable partner for businesses looking to showcase their products and services, meet potential clients, and explore new markets.

Messe Stuttgart's portfolio of events includes industry-specific trade fairs, consumer shows, and conventions that cover a wide range of topics, such as automotive, machinery, technology, lifestyle, and more. With a team of experienced professionals, Messe Stuttgart provides comprehensive support to exhibitors, from planning and logistics to marketing and promotion.

Messe Stuttgart, having already established its subsidiaries in the USA, China and Turkey, aims to expand its global reach and provide a platform for businesses in India to connect with

international markets and showcase their products and services to a wider audience. Messe Stuttgart India will bring the same level of expertise and professionalism that has made Messe Stuttgart a leading international trade fair company.

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