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Techtextil India 2017 expo opens in city

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MUMBAI, SEPT. 13—

Techtextil India 2017, the premium international show for technical textiles and nonwovens flagged off today in Mumbai. The event saw the launch of Texprocess for the first time in India with 29 brands exhibiting garment machinery along with latest innovations and Product launches by major players of Technical Textiles industry like Garware Wall Ropes, Reliance. Luwa India, Low & Boner, Welspun, and Tex & Twist and more.

The mega event is hosting over 175 companies from India, Austria, Belarus, China, France, Germany, Italy, Korea, Spain, Belgium and Switzerland along with domestic players.

The inaugural function saw dignitaries like Dr Jürgen Morhard, Consul General of the Federal Republic of Germany in Mumbai, Dr Anoop Rakshit,

Executive Director, Indian Technical Textile Association (ITTA), Mr Michael Jänecke, Brand Management Technical Textiles & Textile Processing, Mr Elgar Straub, Managing Director VDMA Textile Care, Fabric and Leather Technologies and Mr Pramod Khosla, Chairman ITTA & CMD Khosla Profil Pvt Ltd

The launch of Texprocess Pavilion was one of the biggest

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Texprocess Pavilion debuts with live demonstrations and workshops for domestic manufacturers

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highlights at the exhibition. With India has being one of the leading markets for Textile manufacturing and exports, there has been continuous need for enhancements in the technology used in this sector. The pavilion will prove to be the centre point for product manufacturers to get live demonstrations and evaluate the latest technologies available for their line of business. Market leaders such as IIGM, Tukatech, Mehala Machines Ltd., Turel sales Corporation, GA Morgan Dynamics Pvt. Ltd., Bierrebi, Optitex, Lectra are among the key brands providing live demos at this pavilion.

While speaking at the occasion, Mr. Raj Manek, Managing Director, Messe Frankfurt Trade Fairs India shared, "Recognised as one of the most successful global platforms, Techtexil India continues to be on the forefront of India's Technical Textile and Nonwoven industry's advancements by showcasing the latest in technology, ideas and solutions. India's textiles sector is also one of the largest contributing sectors of India's exports contributing 14 % to the country's total exports basket."

"Today, India's textiles market stands at USD 150 billion (INR 96,000 billion) and It is expected to touch USD 250 billion (INR 16,000 billion) in the next two years (by 2020). The textile industry employs about 51 million people directly and 68 million people indirectly. India has overtaken Italy and Germany to emerge as the world's second largest textile exporter. Modernising machinery is the need of the hour, for boosting Make in India. Country should focus more on skill development, infrastructure and machinery as a whole." he added.

Techtextil India has also given a platform to the eight Center for Excellence units to foster research & development in the sector. Market Creation is a biggest challenge since technical textiles are an

important element at every walk of life. There has to be national level awareness on seamless movement between government and the industry" shared Mr. U. K Gangopadhyay, Executive Director.

This year the Government of Telangana is the official State Partner for the fair and is promoting textile policies and networking with potential investors.

The Department of Handloom and Textiles is currently working to strengthen the textile and apparel industry, and has launched many incentive based programs in areas such as capital support, power tariff and land price to attract investors. The Kakatiya Integrated Mega Textile Park is one of the key focus areas presented by the state at the 6th edition.

Day two of the fair will focus on presenting a global outlook through Techtexil India Symposium with a keynote address on the topic Indian textile Industry - Government policies & schemes by Dr. Kavita Gupta, IAS, Textile Commissioner of India.

While the symposium will cover upcoming trends in geosynthetics, textiles in aerospace applications, fibre innovations for functional and value added nonwovens, and sustainable practices, the debut of 56th edition of Dornbirn MFC telecast will allow textile professionals from India to have first-hand access to the plenary lectures on environmental friendly solutions in textiles.

In light of the government's growing focus on making India the textile hub, the trade fair has drawn strong support from Ministry of Textiles; the Department of Handlooms and Textiles, Government of Telangana; Indian Technical Textile Association; and the renowned international association - VDMA Textile Care, Fabric and Leather Technologies and will be open to trade professionals until 15 September 2017.