Top Govt, industry team showcases Indian manufacturing at Hannover, Germany

A high level Indian delegation comprising top government officials, scientists of the Indian Institute of Technology, Indian Institute of Science and leadership of the EEPC India, is showcasing India's strategy and road map at the ongoing Hannover Fair in Germany for scaling up the technology and investment in manufacturing which is in the midst of several disruptive challenges.

The Indian delegation, led by Secretary in the Department of Heavy Industry, Dr A R Sihag, made a presentation at the Round Table at the ongoing Hannover Messe, the mecca of global engineering and technology expositions, about the initiatives being taken by the Indian government, engineering industry and the scientific institutions to enable the domestic industry to compete in the international market. Special focus is on enhancement of capabilities of the Small and Medium Enterprises, for which cooperation from Germany is actively solicited under the top level institutional mechanism agreed by Prime Minister Mr Narendra Modi and German Chancellor Angela Merkel.

"Considering the importance of adoption of new technologies, India and Germany have agreed to explore possibilities of cooperation in the field of industry 4.0 particularly between the Industry platforms on both sides", said Secretary in the Department of Heavy Industry Dr Sihag at the Hannover Messe Round Table, yesterday.

Under the 'SAMARTH (Smart & Advanced Manufacturing and Rapid Transformation Hub) Udyog', initiative, the Indian Government is supporting setting up four centres at IIT Delhi, IISc Bangalore, CMTI Bangalore and Kirloskar Institute of Advanced Management Studies, Pune for promoting smart and advanced manufacturing, particularly for the SMEs, in the country.

Chairman of the EEPC India Mr Ravi Sehgal said, the Indian engineering industry is adapting itself fast to the global innovations and technological challenges and opportunities. "Taking advantage of the top scientific and technological institutions like IITs and IIS, the Indian industry is integrating the new innovations and learning new skill sets for meeting the contemporary requirements of the global markets".

The Indian delegation would remain actively engaged with global leaders, academia, scientists, policy makers at the Hannover Messe till April 26. The EEPC along with other industry bodies, have been actively participating and managing the Indian Pavilion at the prestigious engineering and technology fair and promoting the Make in India programme of the government.