

Frost & Sullivan's Prestigious India Manufacturing Excellence Awards 2019 to Drive Operational Excellence, Enhance Competitiveness and Manufacturing Effectiveness

Nominations for this edition of the awards are open till 30th April, 2019

Mumbai, India – March 18, 2019 – Frost & Sullivan announces the launch of the 16th edition of its [India Manufacturing Excellence Awards 2019 \(IMEA\)](#), scheduled to be held on December 4th, 2019, in Mumbai. IMEA is India's earliest and most respected assessment based manufacturing excellence award. The process has been perfected over 1000 manufacturing companies spread across 20 sectors. The 2019 edition of IMEA assessment will evaluate organizations on their *Manufacturing Capability, Extended Supply Chain Reliability* and *Technology Adoption*. Future of manufacturing will be driven by companies that adopt digital manufacturing and global optimization. This year onward, assessment will robustly focus on both these pillars.

The banner features a blue background with white and yellow text. At the top, the Frost & Sullivan logo is displayed. Below it, the title 'INDIA MANUFACTURING EXCELLENCE AWARDS 2019' is prominently shown in large, bold, white letters. Underneath the title, the tagline 'Excellence Manufactured !' is written in a smaller font. To the right, a quote reads: '“A Manufacturing Process As Detailed As Yours... Deserves An Evaluation As Detailed As Ours”'. In the center, it states 'India's Most Respected Assessment Based Manufacturing Award!'. Below this, a white box contains the text 'Nominations Close on 30th APRIL, 2019'. At the bottom left, contact information is provided: 'To know more about the award program, write to us at imea@frost.com or contact Mr.Vivekananda Bhat on +91-98440 60295'. The bottom right corner features the IMEA 4.0 logo with the tagline 'CONNECTED SUPPLY CHAIN', the website 'www.frost.com/imea', and the event details '4th Dec, 2019 | Mumbai'. The banner is decorated with images of industrial machinery and a factory.

MSME sector has been an integral part of most companies and driving excellence in this segment of industry is equally important. To bring the focus of Manufacturing Excellence into this sector, Frost & Sullivan has launched the MSME Manufacturing Excellence Awards under the aegis of India Manufacturing Excellence Awards.

Talking about this edition of the IMEA, **Nitin Kalothia**, Director, Manufacturing & Process Consulting Practice, Frost & Sullivan said, “Adoption of technology is slowly increasing in India and will change India’s status of a low cost manufacturing hub. With adoption of advanced manufacturing practices, improvement in infrastructure and manpower skills, India is all set to be the hub for global manufacturing. Indian manufacturing capability has improved significantly over the last few decades and we feel proud to have contributed to it in our own way.”

Participation in IMEA is not a onetime activity but a journey in itself. Through a robust and insightful assessment process, benchmarking and feedback, Frost & Sullivan provides inputs to companies to drive their operational excellence journey. We challenge and encourage companies to create global benchmarks and accelerate the journey through various knowledge sharing sessions.

To participate in India Manufacturing Excellence Awards 2019 or know more about the awards, please write to **Vivekananda Bhat**, Program Manager, Manufacturing & Process Consulting Practice at imea@frost.com with your full name, company name, title, telephone number, company e-mail address, company website, city and state. To know more about the India Manufacturing Excellence Awards and its methodology, [click here](#).

The prime highlights for this year include:

- **Integrated Supply Chain Assessment** will focus on evaluation of upstream and downstream supply chain performance and inbound and outbound logistics
- **Digital Manufacturing** adoption will be evaluated and benchmarked with other Indian companies
- **Smart Factory Awards** will be conferred to companies that have matured at operational excellence and are at the forefront of adopting Industry 4.0. “IIoT Readiness” assessment is an optional module that companies can opt for in addition to IMEA assessment
- **Micro and Small Enterprises:** Manufacturing Excellence Awards have been instituted to drive excellence in this segment.

The overall winner of IMEA across all categories and industry segments will be adjudged the “**Indian Manufacturer of the Year**”. The best facility in each industry segment shall be recognized as the “**Future Ready Factory**”.

The IMEA awards banquet has been a tradition of celebrating Indian Manufacturing Excellence, with an elite gathering of industry stalwarts, visionary leaders, and representatives across all industry segments under one roof. The event is supported by our Media Partners - Automation Connect, Ecargo Log, Engineering Review, Industrial Automation Review and Machine Tools World.

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