"FORGING INDUSTRY EXPECTS DOUBLE DIGIT GROWTH, DESPITE PANDEMIC CHALLENGES"



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Many manufacturing industries; such as Automotive agricultural machinery and equipment; valves, fittings, and petrochemical applications; hand tools and hardware; off highway and railroad equipment; general industrial equipment; ordnance and marine; and aerospace etc depend on the forging industry. Post pandemic as manufacturing gradually picks up and several emerging sectors open up new opportunities, the more than \$17 billion Indian foundry or casting industry is looking to double the growth rates. The sector, which has been reporting a growth of five to seven per cent in the last few years, we think will clock double digit growth in the next couple of years.

Engineers who are updating their knowledge about what's happening on technological advances in this world around, would succeed. In earlier eras, we had limited resources to know, what happened around the world, in this era we have all the information on our fingertips. Message for students is, 'Don't wait to get it published in tabulated form, explore industry trends and update your knowledge'. I wish Good luck to Mechanical Engineering students and faculties of VPKBIET, Baramati.

I think the forging industry will be the cost-effective, preferred process by which, the metal components of superior quality, integrity and performance are produced for critical and demanding applications. Development of the forging industry would aim at energy efficient processes, protecting the environment.

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