80th Annual General Meeting

24 September 2026: Bangalore International Exhibition Centre, Bengaluru



Indian Machine Tool Manufacturers' Association (IMTMA) held its 80th Annual General Meeting (AGM) on 24 September 2026 at Bangalore International Exhibition Centre (BIEC), Bengaluru.

A Special Session was organised ahead of the Business Session of IMTMA. Dr. Shivkumar Kalyanaraman, Chief Executive Officer, Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF), Government of India was the chief guest. Prof. B. Gurumoorthy, Honorary Professor, Department of Design & Manufacturing and Department of Mechanical Engineering, Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru and Mr. Soumya Ranjan, Director, Ernst & Young LLP.

Mr. Ranjan delivered a presentation on the state of Indian machine tool industry. He emphasised that high dependence of machine tool industry on imports poses strategic and financial risks which needs to be addressed with proactive measures. Mr. Ranjan also highlighted sectors such as electronics, semiconductors, renewable energy, ship building, electric vehicles and various other sunshine sectors that have immense scope for machine tool industry.

Prof. Gurumoorthy highlighted the importance of industry–academia partnerships in translating research into industrial applications. Citing collaborative initiatives involving IISc, the Ministry of Heavy Industries, industry partners and other research organisations, he outlined projects in additive manufacturing, metal powder production, high-speed rotating machinery and advanced cooling technologies. He also highlighted the role of industry-funded research and product accelerators in bridging the gap between laboratory research and commercialisation. Emphasising the need for sustained collaboration, he added that

technology will play a key role for economic progress. Technology has to be created somewhere and translated somewhere and the two need to somehow find a way to talk.

Dr. Kalyanaraman presented about Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF), India's apex statutory body established under the ANRF Act of 2023 to provide high-level strategic direction for research, innovation, and entrepreneurship across the country. He said that ANR's programmes are directed towards catalysing India's rise as a research and innovation powerhouse.

During the Business Session of the AGM, Ms. Mohini Kelkar, President - IMTMA outlined IMTMA activities during the year 2025-26.

At the Executive Committee meeting held after the AGM, a new IMTMA Executive Committee for 2026-2027 was formed. Ms. Mohini Kelkar was re-elected as President and Mr. Vikram Salunke was re-elected as Vice President for the year 2026-2027.