

MEGA EVENT 2025

UPDATE



GDCTECH 2025

International Conference & Exhibition on

Theme

Transforming Die Casting Through Innovation

4th, 5th and 6th December 2025 | The Orchid Hotel, Balewadi, Pune, India

FROM PRESIDENT'S DESK



Anil S. Kulkarni
President
GREAT DIECASTING TECHNOLOGY FORUM

Great Diecasting Technology Forum organised the Mega Event at The Orchid Hotel, Pune, the Auto component manufacturers hub in India. The three days event from 4th Dec to 6th Dec was full of activities. The Exhibition was spread over 5000 sq mtr of area, having stalls with Aluminium and Magnesium casting related industries. Two International Conferences have taken place during this event. One on Aluminium Casting Technology and second one on Magnesium Casting Technology.

The most happening one day event was Women Empowerment Programme for Women in Diecasting Fraternity. The CEO meet and Icon of The Die Casting Industry Award attracted the participants. The Quiz Programme, Panel Discussions and Best Project Presentations enjoyed by the participants. On first day Networking Dinner with cocktails enjoyed by the exhibitors and Delegates.

THE EVENT WAS INAUGURATED VIRTUALLY BY



Shri Suresh Prabhu

HONORABLE PRESENCE OF CHIEF GUEST OF HONOR

Shri Suresh Prabhu

Former Union Minister (Commerce & Industry; Railways; Civil Aviation; Power; Environment & Forests)
Government of India
Former G20 Sherpa of India
Chief Architect of India's Major "Ease of Doing Business" Reforms
Key Driver of Make in India, Startup India & FDI Liberalization

The Video message played during Inaugural function.



Keynote Speaker by M. S. Shankar, ANAND AUTOMOTIVE PVT. LTD.,
Guest of Honour - Dr. Martin Tauber, INTERNATIONAL MAGNESIUM ASSOCIATION (IMA),
Chief Guest for Exhibition Inauguration - G D Rajkumar, UMS TECHNOLOGIES PVT. LTD.

**Three Days Conference on Aluminium Die Casting Industry with the theme
“TRANSFORMING DIECASTING THROUGH INNOVATIONS”
(17 Experts presented Technical Papers & attended by over 180 delegates)**



Three Panel Discussions on

- Digital Factories – Tech is stepping onto shop floors: Moderator was Dr. Arvind Tilak
- Next-Gen Die-Casting through AI: Moderator was Dr. Satish Patil.
- Quality Imperative :by Pradeep Kulkarni



Conference Committee Chairman
Rajesh R. Aggarwal
Director, TECHSENSE ENGINEERING SERVICES

2 DAYS CONFERENCE ON MAGNESIUM CASTING TECHNOLOGY

Two Days Conference on Magnesium Casting Technology attended by 100 delegates and 18 Speakers presented.

Partner Association



Conference



R. T. Kulkarni
Founder - GDCTECH FORUM
Director - ARKEY CONFERENCE & ENGG. SERVICES

This is the second successful conference, on Magnesium Casting Technology organised jointly by GDCTECH forum & International Magnesium Association. Strongly supported by IMA, could get 6 International Papers and 4 International exhibitors. This is attended not only by magnesium fraternity & but also by Aerospace, Automotive and Hand Tool industry in large indicating the use of magnesium going to be on fast track.

Even our Chief Guest of Honour Shri. Sureshji Prabhu expressed the importance of the Magnesium in the industry considering the entrance of EV.



Panel Discussion: Opportunity & Challenges of Magnesium Casting Industry In India.
Moderator – Mr P. V. Deshmukh

Exhibition

The GDCTECH 2025 Exhibition was successfully held for three days, total 108 Exhibitors participated in the Exhibition & spread over 5000 sq. mtr area.

The exhibitors included Die Manufacturer, Equipment Manufacturer, Alloy Manufacturer, Service Providers, Measuring & Testing, Consumables Suppliers, Casting Manufacturer and Foundries participated.

Around 2000 knowledgeable visitors were visited the Exhibition from all over India, China, Europe & USA. The exhibitors were quite excited with the encouraging response from the visitors.

Exhibition Committee Chairman

Anand Joshi
Consultant - Aluminium Foundry & Extrusion



INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION

Aluminium & Magnesium Casting Technology

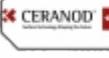
Exhibitors

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INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION

Aluminium & Magnesium Casting Technology

Exhibitors

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 ADDIDDHA SAMAGRARA SOLUTIONS	 MAXION AUTOMATION PVT. LTD.
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Various Competitions held during three days and winner companies awarded by Mementos and certificates.

Icon Of The Die Casting Industry Award



presented to
Mr. Srinivasan Ravi,
Chairman and
Managing Director of
CRAFTSMAN
AUTOMATION LTD.



The Award presented at the hands of Mr. Rajesh Nath, Managing Director, VDMA, President Anil Kulkarni & Founder Member R T Kulkarni. Participants appreciated Mr. R. Shrinavan's interview.

*Other Competition awards distributed at the hands of
Validictory Chief Guest Mr. Vandan Shah, Chairman, SIPRA ENGINEERS PVT. LTD.*

Best Design Competition

WINNER

For HPDC Winner: **CIE ALUMINIUM CASTING INDIA LTD.**

For GDC Winner: **POOJA CASTINGS PVT. LTD.**

For LPDC Winner: **POOJA CASTINGS PVT. LTD.**



Best Casting Competition

CASTING OF THE YEAR Award Winner

AAKAR FOUNDRY PVT. LTD. - "Valve Cover" casting.

Millennium Die Casting - "STATOR" casting.

NOBLE CAST COMP. PVT. LTD - "Mahle Housing" casting.

POOJA CASTINGS PVT. LTD. - CAST ENCLOSURE MACHINING



Special Appreciation Award
SHAGUN INDUSTRIES PVT. LTD. - "Motor Controller Housing "casting
ENDURANCE TECHNOLOGIES, for his "Transmission Housing" casting.



Best Project Competition Award

Kems Shakti Precision Castings Pvt. Ltd.
Sigma Electric Manufacturing Corporation Pvt. Ltd.
Sundaram Clayton Ltd.



Future Technology Award Winner



SKYFAST LTD.

Quiz Competition Award



MAXOP ENGINEERING CO. PVT. LTD, Gurgaon.

Best Foundryman Award



Mr. M. M. Umadi,
Managing Director, SIPRA ENGINEERS PVT LTD.

Best Supplier of the Year Award



Mr. Prakash Chandra,
Director, FS INTERNATIONAL

WOMEN EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMME FOR WOMEN IN DIECASTING FRATERNITY

Date: 5th December 2025



The Women Empowerment Programme held on 5th December 2025 marked a significant milestone in the diecasting industry's journey toward inclusivity and professional development. Hosted at The Orchid Hotel, Pune, as part of the GDCTECH Mega Event, the initiative brought together women engineers, industry leaders, and changemakers to foster dialogue, share experiences, and chart a collaborative roadmap for the future. Around twenty-six students were present to glean insights into the fascinating field of die casting and the role women are playing in it.

Inauguration – Motivational Talk by Guest of Honour

The programme commenced with an inspiring inauguration session featuring Guest of Honour Lila

Poonawalla, Chairperson of the Lila Poonawalla Foundation, and motivational speaker Sheetal Arjunwadkar, Techpanacea Private Limited. The inauguration session was opened by a small speech from Anil Kulkarni and a welcome by Mr. RT Kulkarni. This was followed by the ceremonial lighting of the lamp. Lila Poonawalla's address was extremely powerful and charismatic. Having risen from the ranks as an apprentice at Alfa Laval to their managing director, she emphasized on the attitudes that assisted her rise in the company and in the other organizations which she worked in. Sheetal Arjunwadkar talked about the evolving role of women in manufacturing and the importance of cultivating organizational cultures that support and sustain female participation in diecasting. Incidentally, she had been motivated by Lila Poonawalla's lecture where she had related an incident about taking up any work assigned to one and doing it so well that your superiors notice it and assign you relevant and challenging jobs. The GDC Tech executive committee attended this inaugural session after which they left.

Following the inaugural session, attendees engaged in informal networking over tea, setting the tone for collaborative exchanges throughout the day.

Motivational lectures by Kavita Kaushik and Vrinda Walimbe

After the tea session, participants had the opportunity to hear two more motivational speakers, Kavita Kaushik who is currently spearheading strategic quality initiatives at Cummins India and Vrinda Walimbe, a psychologist. Kavita Kaushik stressed on the importance of communication, overcoming failures, and dedication to one's company. She also mentioned that her first job at Alfa Laval had materialized after she wrote to Lila Poonawalla who was then a director of Alfa Laval. Vrinda Walimbe gave the audience a reality check on expectations of the society from women and advised them to take care of themselves first. Both the speakers stressed on attention to self-care and being motivated throughout.

Panel Discussion – Insights from Industry Leaders

The panel discussion brought forward strategic insights from seasoned professionals including Manisha Kannur (ACE Designers Ltd.), Sarika Mahashabde (APT Pneumatics Pvt. Ltd.), Nidhi Shah (Voxeljet India Pvt. Ltd.), and Bhagyashree Mhaske (CIE Aluminium Casting India Ltd.). The dialogue revolved around leadership, innovation, and the evolving dynamics of finance, operations, and talent development in the diecasting sector. Very well conducted by Mugdha Akolkar, the panelists gave examples from their own journeys and forays into various fields. They encouraged women to work as fairly and equally as men if they wanted equality. They also mentioned that equity is different from equality and everyone should be made aware of the difference between the two. All the panelists had something different and enlightening to offer and the audience had many questions for all of them.



Experience Sharing – Voices from the Field

This segment featured candid reflections from women engineers actively contributing to the industry. Mrs. Leena Velankar from Velankar Chemicals and two long term employees from Dana and Sigma Electric spoke about their roles and experiences. Their stories highlighted both the challenges and triumphs of navigating technical roles, underscoring the value of mentorship, resilience, and peer support.

Closing Session – Reflections and Next Steps

Mrs. Manjoo Phadke, founder & CEO of SkillArbor Consultancy was the chief guest for the valedictory function. Mr. Aniruddha Inamdar introduced her. An excellent and witty speaker, Mrs. Manjoo delighted the audience with her stories and examples of tremendous hard work and motivation. She encouraged the delegates to follow their dreams as far as they could.

The day concluded with a reflective wrap-up, reiterating the programme's core message: empowerment through opportunity, visibility, and community. Organizers emphasized the importance of sustained efforts and invited participants to remain engaged through GDCTECH's ongoing initiatives. Kruttika Apshankar-Kher, Chairman of the Women In Die-Casting committee gave the vote of thanks.

The feedback from the participants was overwhelming with many of them reporting that they were extremely motivated and moved by the discussions that took place. Students mentioned that they got a very interesting glimpse into the world of die-casting.

CEO MEET

4th December 2025

The CEO Meet was successfully organized on 4th December 2025 with the objective of bringing together industry leaders for meaningful interaction, knowledge sharing, and strategic discussion on leadership and business growth. Opening and welcome done by President Mr. A S Kulkarni and handover to Mr. Viren Joshi, Ex Global CEO of Sigma group.

Participation

A total of 37 CEOs / Managing Directors from various organizations attended the meet. The presence of senior leadership ensured rich discussions, high-quality networking, and active engagement throughout the programme.

Key Session Highlights

Due to some unavoidable circumstances, the Chief Guest of the CEO Meet, Mr. Sushir Joshipura, was unable to attend the program held on 4th December 2025. In his absence, Mr. Viren Joshi, Chairman of the CEO Meet Committee, took charge of the proceedings and carried the program forward seamlessly. Mr. Joshi delivered an insightful and motivating address, which was well received and highly appreciated by all the CEOs and Managing Directors present. A special session was conducted by Ms. Shama Patel, Corporate Coach, which emerged as the highlight of the event.

- The session focused on leadership effectiveness, mindset transformation, and managing organizational challenges.
- Ms. Patel's delivery was highly engaging, practical, and insightful.
- The session received an excellent response from all participating CEOs and MDs.
- Participants appreciated the real-life examples, interactive approach, and actionable takeaways shared during the session.
- Overall feedback from the participants was very positive.
- CEOs and MDs expressed satisfaction with the quality of content and relevance of the discussions.
- Many participants acknowledged that such forums are valuable for peer learning and leadership development.

Participants highly appreciated session by Ms. Shama Patel, made the programme meaningful and effective. The event reinforced the importance of continuous learning, collaboration, and leadership excellence.

Such meets are recommended to be organized regularly to sustain engagement and foster strong leadership networks within the industry.



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