From the Editor's Desk



The Indian Institute of welding will be commencing its 25th year of services to the welding industry on the 22nd. April,1990. It has been decided that a number of commemorative programmes will be organised by the IIW Branches throughout the year.

The announcement and first call-for-papers for the National Welding Seminar-1990, have been already circulated to all members. This seminar will be held in Bombay from 22nd. to 24th. November, 1990. The relevent information is included in the issue.

To commemorate the Silver Jubilee Year, the Indian Welding Journal will be publishing four issues, marked as commemorative issue with special papers and features. We also intend to bring out a current list of Membership of the IIW alongwith relevant information on the Institutes' activities.

In this issue, you will find the views of Mr. Bertil Pekkari, Group Vice President and Technical Director of ESAB AB, Sweden on the Indian Welding Industry. Mr. Pekkari was on a short visit to India in Fabruary,1990. It is indeed encouraging to note from his impression that the welding development in India has attained a technology level which is almost equal to similar industries in the developed countries but has remained somewhat restricted in a limited number of industries.

There is a need to spread the practical application of such welding developments in wider areas for achieving our national target.

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