

Plumbing matters



Today, it is very essential to have well-designed plumbing systems to prevent environment, sanitation, and outbreaks of communicable diseases. However access to the good quality of plumbing system is lacking in a country like India. Experts feel, it is high time that the country realises the significance of how plumbing plays a crucial role in health and safety of the modern society. In addition, rapid urbanisation and development of smart cities will also elevate the demand of well-designed plumbing systems.

According to Nitin Kulkarni, President, Sales & Marketing, Finolex Industries Ltd, the plumbing industry is growing well and increase in urbanisation will increase the need of proper water management systems and in turn a good opportunity for the manufacturers. While explaining his outlook on the plumbing industry in India Kulkarni says, "The plumbing industry in India is growing at a double digit figure. With growth in industrialisation and urbanisation; more and more people are moving into cities. As a result the requirement of well-planned urban living and industrial spaces is ever growing. This also means greater need for a proper water management system. Hence, piping has got serious attention from professional consultants (MEP consultants), architects, plumbing consultants and that is a good sign for quality product manufacturers such as Finolex Industries."

He adds, "Good plumbing due to the advent of high rise buildings is the need of the hour. Scarcity of water in cities is another crucial parameter that dictates and upholds the view of saving water and we are very well poised to address this concern by offering quality products," he adds. India is already experiencing water shortage and the problem will become very acute in the future unless preventive measures are undertaken on a substantial scale. The government is laying emphasis on rainwater harvesting and plumbing pipes cater to rainwater harvesting which

Why plumbing matters to health, safety and water sustainability?

will herald an era of water conservation and the peril of water shortage will be suitably contained.

In global market, plumbing is considered to be an important profession and is practised by people who are professionally trained. Traditionally, cemented pipes were in use for underground sewerage lines but now it is getting replaced with PVC pipes due to fast work process and ease of handling. "Owing to the changing perspective in the industry and the development in the urban, industrial and agriculture space, we foresee long term growth in PVC pipes industry. We expect piping industry to grow at 15 per cent CAGR in the next decade," he states.

While sharing his views on plumbing industry Rishabh Sethi, Executive Director, SPML Infra says, "We are optimistic that the situation is going to change for better as the Indian Plumbing Skills Council is taking initiatives to train plumbers. Also the Indian Plumbing Association along with other private companies is starting focussed training programs to train the plumbers. SPML Infra being a leading water management company requires good number of trained plumbers for our various water supply projects across the country."



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There is no doubt that skilled plumbers are important in providing drinking water, safe sanitation apart from ensuring safety of buildings and their occupants.

