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Bengaluru: General (retd) VKSingh, Union minister of state for road transport & highways, urged private players in the construction industry to concentrate on automation, adoption of advanced technologies and global best practices, usage of alternate fuels, and innovations in using waste materials as raw materials for their construction projects to diminish the cost of construction and rate of pollution.

He was speaking at the 11th edition of Excon, the construction equipment trade fair organised by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) in Bengaluru. India, he said, is an emer-



ging hub for construction equipment, component outsourcing and design.

He said India is working hard on hydrogen fuel technology and solar energy since "we consider it as the future of the country." The construction equipment industry, he said, must be prepared for the competitive market situation and focus on Industry 4.0 for revamping itself.

In a session on infrast-

ructure requirements for armed forces, Lt Gen Rajeev Chaudhry, director general of the Border Roads Organisation, said, "We aim to embrace the latest technology to meet any challenges that might threaten the country's security."

Lt Gen Harpal Singh, ADC engineer-in-chief in the Indian Armed Forces, said, "India's defence sector is seeking cooperation from the Indian construction equipment industry to have access to the most up-to-date building technologies and machinery to build a strong infrastructure efficiently with minimal environmental impact."