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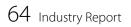
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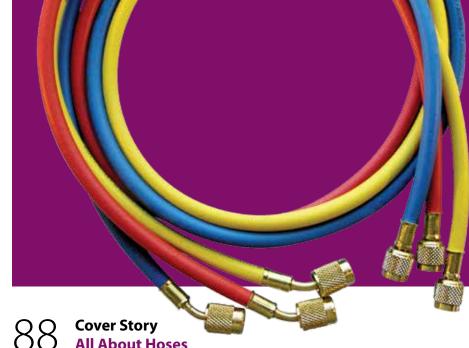
Manufacturers are often tempted to innovate and launch new products or new processes. But for most of them, patenting becomes an issue due to lack of awareness. However, any invention can be patented. And as Parimal Kowtal points out in this article, a patent is granted if the invention satisfies the criteria of novelty, utility or inventive step.





Karnataka Industry Takes Giant Steps

With inputs from the official website of the Government of Karnataka, Rubber India compiles a report about the industrial health of Karnataka and provides reasons for its consistent growth over the years.



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Hoses make for essential, and sometimes critical, equipment for the transport of liquids, gases, steam and semi-solids, among other products, and there is a wide variety of hoses made for such specific uses. Dr. Samir Majumdar provides an overall picture of the kinds of hoses manufactured and the processes involved in their making.

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