

Eye-catching presence of domestic, foreign firms in Iran Oil Show 2024

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The 28th Iran International Oil, Gas, Refining and Petrochemical Exhibition (Iran Oil Show 2024), as the largest industrial and commercial event in Iran, hosted a large number of capable domestic and foreign companies in this field.

The inauguration ceremony was attended by Oil Minister Javad Owji, Managing Director of the National Iranian Oil Company (NIOC) Mohsen Khojasteh-Mehr, Secretary General of the Gas Exporting Countries Forum (GECF) Mohamed Hamel, a number of the Iranian Parliament's members as well as other Iranian officials and senior oil industry directors on Wednesday.

Among the Iranian participants were the officials of NIOC, National Petrochemical Company (NPC), National Iranian Gas Company (NIGC), National Iranian Oil Refining and Distribution Company (NIORDC), Iranian Oil, Gas and Petrochemical Products Exporters' Union (OPEX), Iranian Petroleum Industries Equipment Manufacturers Association and Iran Industrial Equipment Manufacturers Association, as well as representatives of new technology-based firms (NTBFs), technological parks and startups.

In addition to 1,500 Iranian firms, a sum of 250 companies from 12 countries including Russia, China, Turkey and Belarus took part in this year's exhibition with the motto "Petroleum industry, production leap and technological optimization". Participants from the upstream, intermediate and downstream sectors of the oil industry, along with associations and unions of oil industry equipment manufacturers, first-time producers NTBFs were showcasing their achievements in the Iran Oil Show 2024.

Self-sufficiency in building marine structures for oil, gas industry

An NTBF, the Darya Fan Qeshm Indus-



tries Company was among the participant companies in the Iran Oil Show 2024. Zafar Hafezi, a member of the board of directors of the firm told Iran Daily that launched in 2011, the company is active in the field of marine and offshore oil and gas projects.

"The NTBF participated in the implementation of the huge projects of Phases 4, 5 of South Pars in cooperation with the Italian oil company ENI as it worked with Norwegian STATOIL company in the implementation of the Phase 6-8 of South Pars, but after the foreigners left our projects indigenized installations and implementation of oil projects," he added.

Hafezi went on to say that we have reached self-sufficiency in the field of offshore oil and gas projects. In this

regard, the company has completed the implementation and installation of Phase 11 marine facilities in South Pars.

Saving millions of petrodollars with domestic production

Wide steel sheets play an important role in the oil and gas industry as are used in the production of long and wide pipes for oil and gas transmission and the building of storage reservoirs for these products.

Behrang Ehdai, the deputy head of planning and development of the Khouzestan Oxin Steel Company, one of the major companies producing steel sheets for Iran's oil and gas industry, explained about his company, saying "We are the first and only producer of wide steel sheets in the Middle East. Our

products are used in the production of large pipes as well as pressurized tanks of oil and gas.

The main mission of the company is to produce sheets needed by the country's oil and gas industry, and more than 80 percent of our products are used in this sector, Ehdai noted.

"Before we started mass production in the field of wide steel sheets in 2011, these sheets were imported, but we no longer need to import the product and save millions of dollars annually."

Last Iranian year, we were honored as the country's top exporter and currently we export our products meeting international standards to Persian Gulf littoral countries as well as European states including Spain and Germany.

Chinese companies outstanding in Iran Oil Show

Foreign companies active in the oil and gas and petrochemical industry participated in the exhibition, among which China had a strong presence.

Var Song is the marketing manager of one of the Chinese companies participants in the Iran Oil Show 2024. The company operates in the field of manufacturing products needed in the oil and gas industry from titanium and tantalum alloys.

According to him, with the support of the China government, more than 50 Chinese companies participated in this exhibition, as most of these companies are private.

"I participated in the expo for the first time and I think that Iran Oil Show 2024 vitrined great achievements in the field of oil and gas industry to visitors," Song stated.

According to him, the presence of Chinese companies in the exhibition helps to expand the cooperation between the two countries in the field of oil, gas and petrochemical industry.

Chinese companies are very interested in cooperation with the Iranian side, he said noting Iran's oil and gas industry has a clear perspective, so the cooperation of the two countries can bring good achievements for both sides.

Guo Zili, the deputy of another Chinese company participated at the exhibition said his company is affiliated with the Chinese government, but it has been operating independently for several years in the field of producing crystal diamond-coated drills used in drilling oil and gas wells.

He said in Iran, oil and gas reserves can be reached by drilling wells in a depth of 1,500 meters to 4,000 meters.

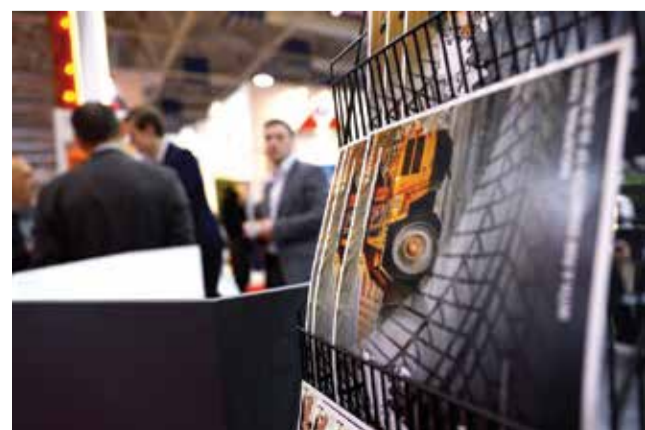
In this exhibition, in meetings with the Iranian parties, the barriers to cooperation were discussed as the way to enter the markets of the two countries is opened, Zili concluded.

Exports of techno-engineering services neutralize sanctions: MP

Malek Shariati, who is a member of the Parliament's Energy Committee, said on Thursday that the efforts by the National Iranian Oil Refining and Distribution Company (NIORDC) have neutralized the illegal sanctions and have earned a reputation for Iran in the world. During his visit to the NIORDC booth at the Iran Oil Show 2024, the MP hailed the non-stop efforts of the experts and staff of the NIORDC.

Shariati went on to say that the works taken by the company to boost production and meet the needs of the country in the oil industry are very valuable as were carried out under the conditions of sanctions, by the domestic experts.

During his visit, the lawmaker was briefed about the other activities and achievements of the company and expressed his satisfaction with the activities carried out by the NIORDC.



Spokesman for the Iranian Parliament's Energy Committee Mostafa Nakhaei noted on Wednesday that the increase in the number of foreign companies participating in the Iran Oil Show 2024 is an indicative of the failure of the sanctions project.

Speaking on the sidelines of the opening ceremony of the event in Tehran, the lawmaker told Shana that the more than twofold increase of foreign companies in this year's exhibition also shows the growth and dynamism of the industry in Iran.

During the 13th government (since August 2021), the Ministry of Oil has taken many measures to raise oil production and export; the MP stated noting that "However, in the current government, the oil industry faced many sanctions as the enemies tried to create more barriers against the sale of Iranian oil, but they failed."

He expressed his hope to witness the signing of many contracts at the exhibition, saying that these contracts can lead to the further development of the country's oil and gas industry.

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