



## UNIDO assisted project on promoting energy efficiency in hand-tools small scale sector

The Project on promoting energy efficiency in Hand-Tools small scale sector in India has recently been approved at the total cost of US\$ 750,000 with contributions from Ministry of SSI, UNIDO, SIDBI and Industry Associations. To be completed over a period of 3 years, the approach under this project is to aim at strengthening the competitiveness of energy intensive and export oriented Forging/Hand Tool SSI sector in India through adoption and promotion of energy efficient and clean technologies, strengthening policy & institutional structure and supporting capacity building and developing an international marketing strategy for export promotion

to enhance export share of SSI units. The Hand Tool SSI clusters based at Jalandhar (Punjab) and Nagaur (Rajasthan) have been identified as the key clusters and the experiences would be disseminated to Hand Tool SSI cluster at Tumkur (Karnataka) and other places in the country. The Project is being implemented by the O/o Development Commissioner (SSI) and UNIDO as the key partners. SIDBI and Indian Hand Tool Manufacturers' Association would be the cooperating partners. The other agencies viz; CIHT, Jalandhar, HTDDTC, Nagaur (Rajasthan), Bureau of Energy Efficiency, NPC, TERI etc. would also be networked for implementing the Project.

