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IAPMO-India Releases Uniform Swimming Pool Code - India

Mumbai, India (March 21, 2011) – IAPMO-India, in collaboration with the Indian Plumbing Association (IPA), has announced the release of the Uniform Swimming Pool Code – India (USPC-I), a code of practice to govern the materials, installation and maintenance associated with swimming pool plumbing systems for the nation of India. This was announced during the national conference and Plumbex'11 international exhibition at Mumbai, India.

Based on the American National Standard Uniform Swimming Pool, Spa and Hot Tub Code, the USPC-I maintains all of the basic principles of the U.S. code and customizes them to suit Indian laws, conditions and accepted correct engineering practices.

"This code will prove to be an invaluably useful tool for architects, plumbers and other professionals involved in the construction and maintenance of swimming pools, as the country does not presently have comprehensive standards for swimming pool design," said Subhash Deshpande, director, Plumbing, IAPMO-India.

The timing is opportune as public municipal pools and those within gated communities are becoming increasingly more common in India. The code will also serve as a useful reference for the hotel industry.

In addition to providing proper installation instructions ensuring the safe operation of swimming pools, the USPC-I contains information on which materials to use, water heating, vents, chlorinators and all piping standards with which compliance is essential. Common problems addressed by the code include leakage, seeping, flooring damage due to ground water pressure and the health and safety of users.

In 2009, IAPMO-India, the IPA and the Central Public Works Department (CPWD) of the Government of India signed a Memorandum of Understanding in which the CPWD voluntarily adopted the Uniform Plumbing Code – India and implemented a the Plumbing Education to Employment Program (PEEP) curriculum jointly developed by IAPMO-India and the IPA.

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