



## ■ GAIL to Set Up 1 GW RE Plant in Karnataka

**NEW DELHI** The Karnataka government and GAIL (India) on Friday signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) to establish one gigawatt (GW) of renewable energy capacity in the state at a proposed investment of about Rs 5,000 crore.

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The two sides signed the MoU in the presence of industries minister MB Patil, energy minister KJ George and Karnataka Renewable Energy Development Ltd chairman TD Raje Gowda. The industries department principal secretary S Selvakumar and GAIL executive director Parivesh Chugh Singh signed the agreement.

Minister Patil said the MoU reaffirms Karnataka's position as a preferred destination for investments in clean and sustainable energy. "GAIL can initiate the projects by acquiring land from farmers on a lease basis or we will facilitate land allocation through KIADB (Karnataka Industrial Areas Development Board). Necessary approvals, registration and concessions will be provided swiftly," he said. The MoU enables GAIL to explore and develop a diversified renewable energy portfolio, including



**MB PATIL**

State industries minister



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Energy minister George said the partnership would strengthen Karnataka's standing as a green energy hub, while also generating employment and boosting infrastructure development. He added that the MoU marks the beginning of a long-term collaboration between GAIL and the Karnataka government to build a cleaner, greener energy future that contributes meaningfully to the state's economic growth and climate objectives.

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### Karnataka inks MoU with GAIL for 1 GW RE project



**Bengaluru:** Karnataka has signed an MOU with GAIL (India) Ltd to establish 1 GW of renewable energy capacity in the State. The proposed investment is pegged at ₹5,000 crore. The MoU was signed by Ministers MB Patil and KJ George, and TD Rajegowda, Chairman of the Karnataka Renewable Energy Development Ltd. Selvakumar S, Principal Secretary, Industries Department, and Parivesh Chugh Singh, Executive Director (SD & Renewables), GAIL, signed the MoU on behalf of the State and GAIL. OUR BUREAU



# K'taka, GAIL ink MoU for Rs 5K-cr 1 GW renewable energy initiative

BENGALURU, DHNS

**T**he Government of Karnataka and natural gas public enterprise GAIL (India) Limited signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) on Friday to establish approximately 1 GW of renewable energy (RE) capacity in the state. The proposed investment for this initiative is pegged at Rs 5,000 crore.

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concessions will be provided swiftly,” said MB Patil, Minister for Large and Medium Industries and Infrastructure Development.

Karnataka’s Pavagada Solar Park is currently producing 2,050 MW of energy annually, noted Minister for

Energy KJ George.

Local farmers are ready to provide an additional 10,000 acres of land for a similar project, he added.

Patil stated that the MoU enables GAIL to explore and develop a diversified renewable energy portfolio, including ground-mounted solar, rooftop solar, floating solar, wind energy, and mandated storage solutions.

“GAIL is also keen to acquire suitable land parcels within solar parks in Karnataka to accelerate project implementation under its dedicated capital expenditure plan,” Patil added.

George remarked that this partnership would strengthen Karnataka’s standing as a green energy hub, while also generating employment and boosting infrastructure development. He added that the MoU marks the beginning of a long-term collaboration between GAIL and the Government of Karnataka.

GAIL has committed to achieve 100% reduction in Scope 1 and Scope 2 categories of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions by 2035. To meet this target, the central PSU requires approximately 3,500 MW of RE capacity for captive consumption.

**EXPRESS READ****K'taka-GAIL MoU on renewable energy**

Bengaluru : THE GAIL (India) Limited on Friday, signed an MoU with the state government to establish 1 GW of renewable energy capacity in the state, with a proposed investment of of Rs 5,000 crore. The MoU was signed by Minister for Large and Medium Industries and Infrastructure Development MB Patil and Energy Minister KJ George with Executive Director (Renewable Energy), GAIL, Parvesh Chug, and Executive Director (Marketing), GAIL, Sumit Kishore. The present RE portfolio of GAIL in Karnataka is 135MW, including 38.1MW of wind energy. To attain the aim of Net Zero emission target by 2035, the company needs to generate 3500 MW of RE. The MoU is aimed in this direction. GAIL officials said that the MoU will also help in diversifying RE projects including ground-mounted solar, rooftop solar, floating solar, wind energy and storage of RE. **ENS**

## Renewable energy: State to receive ₹5,000 cr. investments

**The Hindu Bureau**  
BENGALURU

The Karnataka government and GAIL (India) Limited, a public sector enterprise in the natural gas sector, have signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) on Friday to establish 1 GW of renewable energy (RE) capacity in the State at an estimated outlay of ₹5,000 crore.

M.B. Patil, Minister for Large and Medium Industries and Infrastructure Development, said: "GAIL can initiate the projects by acquiring land from farmers on a lease basis or we will facilitate land allocation through KIADB. Necessary approvals, registration, and concessions will be provided swiftly."

He further said the MoU will enable GAIL to explore and develop a diversified renewable energy portfolio, including ground-mounted solar, rooftop solar, floating solar, wind energy, and mandated storage solutions. "GAIL is also keen to acquire suitable land parcels within solar parks in Karnataka to accelerate project implementation under its dedicated capital expenditure plan," the Minister added.

K.J. George, Minister for Energy, remarked that this partnership would strengthen Karnataka's standing as a green energy hub. Mr. George said the Pavagada solar park was already producing 2,050 MW of energy annually, and local farmers were ready to provide an additional 10,000 acres of land for a similar project.



# Karnataka: GAIL to jointly garner renewable energy; make the state hub of green energy

**LAKSHMANA VENKAT KUCHI**  
BENGALURU, 9 MAY

Collaboration between the Gas Authority of India Limited (GAIL) and the Karnataka government strengthened here on Friday with the inking of an MoU between the two entities to establish approximately 1 GW of renewable energy (RE) capacity in the state. The renewable energy initiative is estimated to have an investment of Rs 5,000 crore and is expected to generate employment, boost infrastructure and firmly place Karnataka as the green energy hub in the country.

The MoU was signed by M.B. Patil, Minister for Large and Medium Industries and Infrastructure Development, K.J. George, Minister for Energy, and T.D. Rajegowda, Chairman of the Karnataka Renewable Energy Development Ltd



(KREDL). Selvakumar S., Principal Secretary, Industries Department, and Parivesh Chugh Singh, Executive Director (SD & Renewables), GAIL, signed the agreement on behalf of the state government and GAIL, respectively.

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cation through KIADB. Necessary approvals, registration, and concessions will be provided swiftly," Patil said at the signing ceremony. The MoU enables GAIL to explore and develop a diversified renewable energy portfolio, including ground-mounted solar, rooftop solar, floating solar, wind energy, and mandated storage solutions. The

GAIL is also looking at acquiring land parcels within solar parks in Karnataka to accelerate project implementation under its dedicated capital expenditure plan, the minister said.

The project will strengthen the state's standing as a green energy hub. The MoU, Minister KJ George hoped, would mark the beginning of a long-term collaboration between GAIL and the Karnataka government.

The joint aim: to build a cleaner, greener energy future that contributes to the state's economic growth and climate objectives.

The minister also noted that the Pavagada Solar Park is already producing 2,050 MW of energy annually. He hoped the local farmers would provide another 10,000 acres of land for a similar project.