

## India's Dec crude oil imports climb to nine-month high

India's crude oil imports rose 1.6% month-on-month in December to 21.59 million tonnes, their highest level



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since March. On a yearly basis, crude oil imports rose 6.9%, from 20.20 million tonnes in December 2024, data from the Petroleum Planning and Analysis Cell showed. India is the world's third-biggest oil importer and consumer.

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# India's energy sector offers a \$500 bn opportunity: PM

India is moving towards energy independence as it has ensured energy security, said Modi

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**P** rime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday called upon global energy players to invest in India's energy sector across exploration and downstream sectors, and said the country offers investment opportunities worth \$500 billion.

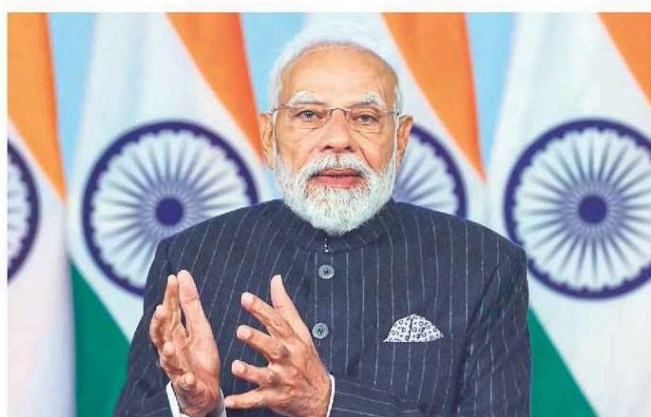
The country is now moving towards energy independence, as it has in the past few years ensured energy security, Modi said, addressing the inaugural session of the India Energy Week 2026.

He said the government aims to attract \$100 billion in investments in oil and gas exploration by 2030.

India is the third-largest importer of oil, sourcing about 90% of its crude oil requirements from other countries. The ongoing geopolitical tensions, including in West Asia, US intervention in Venezuela, and sanctions on key Russian oil suppliers, have forced Indian refiners to diversify their import basket.

"The energy sector is at the centre of our aspirations. It has opportunities worth \$500 billion. So, I call upon all players to make in India, innovate in India, scale with India, and invest in India," he said.

"India is developing an energy sector ecosystem capable of meeting local demand and, through affordable refining and transportation solutions, making exports highly competitive for the



Prime Minister Narendra Modi said the government aims to attract \$100 billion in investments in the oil and gas exploration space by 2030. PTI

world," the prime minister added.

India has also been trying to increase domestic hydrocarbon production. Modi highlighted efforts to open up its exploration sector and referred to the

the Hydrocarbon Exploration and Licensing Policy (HELP), India has allocated four blocks for oil and gas exploration in the Andaman-Nicobar Basin, covering about 23,261 sq km, he said.

## ENERGY EXPANSION

**INDIA** imports 90% of its crude oil needs, making it the world's third-largest oil importer

**INDIA** has also been trying to increase domestic hydrocarbon production

**MODI** said India is working to build the vessels required for LNG transportation domestically

**PM** said that Andaman-Nicobar Basin is emerging as a major hydrocarbon frontier

Samudra Manthan Mission aimed at boosting deep-sea exploration.

"Andaman and Nicobar basin is emerging as the next hydrocarbon hope," the prime minister said. Under

Another four blocks with a total area of 47,058 sq km have also been offered in the Andaman Basin, he added.

India's Hydrocarbon Resource Assessment Study (HRAS) estimates

hydrocarbon resources of 371 million metric tonnes of oil equivalent (MMTOE) in Andaman-Nicobar Basin.

In September 2025, state-run Oil India Ltd announced "occurrence of natural gas" in an offshore block, which the company had won under the Open Acreage Licensing Policy (OALP).

Of reform measures in exploration, including reduction of no-go areas, Modi said companies investing are certain to see increased profitability.

Highlighting that liquefied natural gas (LNG) demand in the country is rising and that the country has set a target to meet 15% of its total energy demand through LNG, the prime minister emphasized the need to work across the entire value chain. "India is working to build the vessels required for LNG transportation domestically, supported by a recently launched ship-building programme worth ₹70,000 crore," he said, underlining investment scope in building terminals at ports and in regasification projects. He also highlighted opportunities in LNG pipelines, city gas distribution and the petrochemical space.

Noting India was among the top five exporters of petroleum products, with export coverage across 150 countries, he said India can develop world's largest refining capacity and the government is making efforts to raise India's refining capacity to 300 million tonnes from 260 million.

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# ONGC taps global majors to lift output

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**S**tate-run Oil and Natural Gas Corp. (ONGC) has reached out to as many as 10 global energy players to participate in its tender for the role of technical services provider (TSP) to enhance production in its western offshore fields, Pankaj Kumar, director (production) at the company, said on the sidelines of India Energy Week.

The companies approached include UK-headquartered Shell, bp plc, French major TotalEnergies, and US oil and gas giants ExxonMobil and Chevron.

The plan to bring in TSP for other fields comes at a time when the oil and gas production has largely been muted.

In FY25, ONGC reported a 0.9% rise in standalone crude oil output to 18.558 million tonnes (mt) and a slight fall in natural gas output to 19.654 billion cubic metres (BCM).

"We are now in the market for another TSP covering the Western Offshore, excluding Mumbai high field. The tender has been floated, and we have personally communicated



ONGC has reached out to global energy players to participate in its tender for the role of technical services provider. REUTERS

with the CEOs of 10 major E&P (exploration and production) operators, including Shell, bp, Chevron, Exxon, TotalEnergies among others," Kumar said.

Bassein, Heera & Neelam fields and Panna-Mukta fields are key fields on the western offshore.

Queries emailed to Shell, bp, Chevron, ExxonMobil and TotalEnergies on Tuesday evening remained unanswered till press time.

**The companies approached by ONGC include Shell, bp plc, TotalEnergies, ExxonMobil and Chevron**

ONGC has already appointed bp plc as the TSP for its Mumbai High field. Last year, ONGC and bp signed a contract under which the latter would serve as the TSP for Mumbai High, India's largest offshore oil field.

As per the firm, bp aims to hike oil output 44% and gas by 89%, leading to \$15 billion of incremental revenue in 10 years.

Under the revival plan, ONGC and bp have split Mum-

bai High into six hubs for faster, optimized redevelopment. In the first phase, ONGC has already committed \$400 million in capital expenditure. Under phase 2 of Mumbai High field redevelopment, both firms have targeted 100 new wells in FY28 and FY29.

The company's board has approved a development scheme to produce 12 mt of oil and 13.5 BCM of gas in the next few years.

The UK-headquartered energy giant would work in close collaboration with ONGC to stabilize the field's current output decline and restore it to a robust growth trajectory. In August 2025, Arun Kumar Singh, chairman and chief executive officer of ONGC, a study is underway for the planned enhanced oil recovery.

In November, ONGC said that with persistent efforts, it had achieved an "increasing trend" in crude oil output.

The standalone crude production for Q2 and H1 of FY26 was 4.630 mt and 9.314 mt, respectively, registering a growth of 1.2% over the year ago periods.

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# Canada, India pledge to boost oil trade

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Canada and India will pledge to expand trade in oil and gas as the countries reboot their relationship after a diplomatic chill.

Ottawa will commit to ship more crude oil, liquefied natural gas and liquefied petroleum gas to India, while New Delhi will send more refined petroleum products to Canada, following a meeting between Canadian energy minister Tim Hodgson and Indian petroleum and natural gas minister Hardeep Singh Puri, as per a joint statement seen.

"We see an opportunity to work with India," Hodgson said at India Energy Week in Goa on Tuesday. "We are now building pipelines to the West Coast. We are looking to build more. We will never use our energy for coercion."

The ministers are meeting at the summit, using the event to

relaunch a "ministerial energy dialogue." The mechanism, once the main channel for energy cooperation between the two sides, fell dormant amid an explosive dispute over the killing of a Canadian Sikh activist.

The renewed push marks one of Prime Minister Mark Carney's major efforts to diversify Canada's export markets at a time of escalating trade tensions with the US. It also

reflects his government's shift toward pragmatic, economy-first diplomacy with major Asian partners.

The relaunch of the dialogue signals that both the governments see

untapped potential—and strategic value—in tightening an energy relationship that had been left to drift.

Carney is expected to visit India in the coming weeks. He and Prime Minister Narendra Modi restarted talks in November toward a comprehensive economic partnership deal.

**Ottawa to commit to ship more crude oil, LNG and LPG to India, while New Delhi will send more refined petroleum goods**



## INDIA ENERGY WEEK (IEW) 2026

# India's energy sector opens for global partnerships: PM Modi

PM Modi mentioned radical changes in exploration and production, such as deep-sea exploration under Mission Samudra Manthan

SIMONTINI BHATTACHARJEE

GOA: Prime Minister Narendra Modi, on Tuesday, called India a crucial player in the emerging global energy scenario, highlighting the country's growing export potential, investment-friendly reforms, and increasing role in the global energy security framework.

Inaugurating the fourth edition of India Energy Week 2026 in Goa, Prime Minister Modi said that "Today, India is one of the top five exporters of petroleum products in the world, and we are supplying energy to over 150 countries."

The Prime Minister described India Energy Week as a "premier international event" and encouraged global players to tap into India's rapidly developing energy landscape, stating that the country's potential could be a "game-changer" in meeting global energy demand.

The four-day event is taking place in Goa from January 27 to 30. Modi confirmed that a major agreement between India and the EU was reached yesterday. He called it a historic achievement, terming it the 'mother of all deals.' Accord-



Prime Minister Narendra Modi virtually addresses a gathering during the inauguration of India Energy Week 2026

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ing to Modi, the agreement will open enormous opportunities for 1.4 billion Indians and millions of Europeans. It will be a shining example of coordination between two large global economies.

Together, these economies account for nearly 25% of global GDP and a third of global trade. This agreement also reiterates the commitment to democracy and the rule of law. The Prime Minister stated that the India-EU FTA would complement other free trade agreements India has signed with the UK and the European Free Trade

Association (EFTA). He said this would improve global supply chains and increase trade. Modi congratulated India's youth and citizens and stated that sectors such as textiles, gems and jewelry, leather, and footwear would be major beneficiaries of this agreement.

Moving on to the energy sector, Modi emphasized the huge investment opportunities available throughout the entire value chain. He mentioned radical changes in exploration and production, such as deep-sea exploration under Mission Samudra Manthan. India

## Highlights

- » India plans to attract \$100 billion in oil and gas investments by the end of the decade
- » Second only to the US, India is set to become the world's largest refiner
- » India's refining capacity is likely to grow from the current 260 MMTPA to above 300 MMTPA

plans to attract \$100 billion in oil and gas investments by the end of the decade and increase its exploration area to one million square kilometers. Over 170 blocks have already been allocated, with the Andaman Nicobar basin identified as a new promising area for hydrocarbon exploration.

The huge refining capacity of India was mentioned as another major advantage. Second only to the US, India is set to become the world's largest refiner, with its refining capacity likely to grow from the current 260 MMTPA to above 300

MMTPA. Modi also emphasized increasing demand for LNG, with a target to meet 15 percent of total energy requirements through LNG, creating opportunities in the shipping, terminal, pipeline, and re-gasification sectors.

Union Minister Hardeep Singh Puri emphasized that the transition in the energy sector, energy security, and economic development should be synchronized. He said that the growth in energy demand is being driven by the emerging economies, although the challenges of access and affordability still persist. Although there has been rapid growth in the renewable energy sector, he said that the traditional energy sources are also important and that neglecting oil and gas could lead to volatility in the global energy market.

Positioning India at the forefront of the global energy transition, Union Minister Hardeep Singh Puri said that the demand for energy in India will continue to grow across all energy sources, and by 2050, it could potentially account for around 10 percent of the global energy demand.

# Energy security in focus at India Energy Week 2026, Goa

**SIMONTINI BHATTACHARJEE**

**GOA:** India Energy Week 2026 kicked off in Goa with a dynamic focus on partnerships, ongoing investments, and global collaboration amid a rapidly changing energy landscape shaped by geopolitical uncertainties. Leaders from the policy and industry sectors engaged in high-level discussions, emphasising that energy security, affordability, and sustainability depend on pragmatic policies, sustained capital flows, and stronger international cooperation.

A prominent ministerial panel on opening day addressed the mounting pressures on global energy systems driven by rising demand from emerging economies and the swift energy



transition. Speakers highlighted that there's no one-size-fits-all pathway; instead, each nation must shape its energy strategies based on its unique priorities, especially in times of geopolitical tension and shifting trade dynamics.

India's Petroleum and Natural Gas Minister Hardeep Singh Puri shared that India has resiliently navigated recent global disruptions by diversifying energy sources, expanding

supplier networks, and implementing impactful reforms. He stressed that the focus should be on adding energy options rather than abrupt replacements, supported by realistic pathways, international collaboration, and predictable markets.

Canada's Energy Minister Tim Hodgson called for trusted partnerships and diversified supply chains in today's fragmented global trade environment, expressing a keen interest

in boosting energy cooperation with India in LNG, oil, gas, and critical minerals. Jasim Al Shirawi, Secretary General of the International Energy Forum, warned that despite the explosive growth of renewables, global energy demand will keep rising. He pointed out risks like underinvestment, grid constraints, and concentrated supply chains that could threaten energy security.

The opening session reinforced the importance of investment and teamwork. Puri highlighted India's proactive approach—opening new exploration opportunities, hosting licensing rounds, and introducing policies to attract global investors—alongside efforts to expand LPG coverage and improve access to clean cook-

ing fuels. UAE Minister Sultan Ahmed Al Jaber cautioned that underinvestment remains the greatest threat to global energy stability, reaffirming the UAE's long-term partnership with India, with ADNOC playing a key role as a reliable supplier.

Goa's Chief Minister Pramod Sawant praised India Energy Week as a powerful platform that turns innovative ideas into tangible actions, outlining Goa's ambitious plan to achieve 100 per cent renewable energy by 2050. Overall, India Energy Week 2026 positioned India as a confident and responsible leader in the global energy arena, underscoring that international collaboration, innovation, and sustained investment are vital for a resilient and inclusive energy transition.



# India is now moving towards the mission of energy independence: PM

**During the inaugural ceremony of the India Energy Week 2026, PM Narendra Modi addressed via video conferencing. He highlighted a USD500 billion investment scope in the country's energy sector**

**T**he fourth edition of the India Energy Week was inaugurated in Goa on Tuesday, Prime Minister Narendra Modi addressed a gathering during the inaugural ceremony via video conferencing.

Speaking on the occasion, PM Modi remarked that at India Energy Week 2026, representatives from nearly 125 countries have gathered to discuss an energy-secure and sustainable future. The PM welcomed all the participants.

Highlighting that India Energy Week has, in a very short span of time, emerged as a global platform for dialogue and action, the PM remarked that today India is a land of immense opportunities for the energy sector.

He underlined that India is the world's fastest-growing economy, which means the demand for energy products in the country is continuously rising. He emphasised that India also offers excellent opportunities to meet global demand.

PM Modi noted that India is among the top five exporters of



petroleum products in the world, with export coverage extending to more than 150 countries. He stated that this capacity of India will be of great benefit to all.

He further stressed that the 'Energy Week' platform is an excellent place to explore partnerships and extended his best wishes to all participants.

He noted that just yesterday, a significant agreement was signed between India and the European Union, which people across the world are calling the "mother of all deals."

PM Modi emphasised that this agreement brings immense opportunities for India's 140

crore people and millions across European nations. He underlined that it stands as a remarkable example of coordination between two of the world's largest economies. "Today's India is riding on the reforms express and undertaking rapid reforms across every sector," stressed PM Modi.

He emphasized that reforms are being carried out to strengthen domestic hydrocarbons while creating a transparent and investor-friendly environment for global collaborations.

PM Modi underlined that India is now moving beyond energy security towards the mission

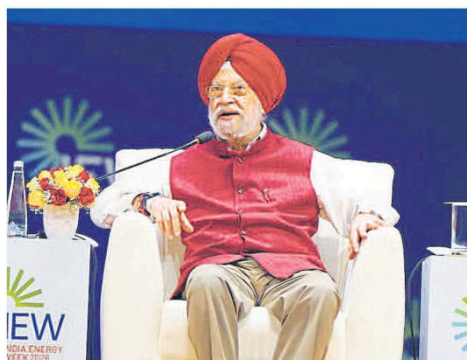
of energy independence. He stated that India is developing an energy sector ecosystem capable of meeting local demand and, through affordable refining and transportation solutions, making exports highly competitive for the world.

Highlighting that LNG demand in India is continuously rising, and the country has set a target to meet 15% of its total energy demand through LNG, the PM emphasised the need to work across the entire LNG value chain and noted that India is undertaking large-scale efforts in transportation. He pointed out that city gas distribution networks have

already reached many Indian cities and are rapidly expanding to others, making this sector highly attractive for investment.

The PM underlined that India's energy sector lies at the center of the nation's aspirations, offering investment opportunities worth \$500 billion. He concluded his remarks by calling upon the global community with the message: Make in India, Innovate in India, Scale with India, Invest in India.

Union Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas, Hardeep Singh Puri, and Chief Minister of Goa, Pramod Sawant, were present among other dignitaries at the event.



## India's global energy demand to rise by 30-35%: Puri

**Union Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas Hardeep Singh Puri underscored India's expanding influence in global energy markets**

Union Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas Hardeep Singh Puri on Tuesday said by 2050, India's share of global energy demand is projected to rise by nearly 30-35%, reaching around 10% of the total global energy demand. Yet, with per capita energy consumption still at only about 40% of the global average, India's growth journey remains both necessary and responsible.

Addressing the opening day of India Energy Week 2026, Puri said this year's theme, "Energizing Growth, Securing Economies and Enriching Lives," encapsulates the multifaceted role of energy in powering economic progress, strengthening resilience, and enhancing human well-being.

This year, the strategic conference is further strengthened by a rich set of side events. Platforms such as the India-Arab Energy Dialogue, the Conference on Compressed Biogas, startups challenges like Avinya 3.0 (161 applications) and Vasudha 3.0 (20 global applications, 4 new countries), and dedicated hackathons expand engagement across innovation, collaboration, and knowledge sharing. Together, they ensure

that dialogue at IEW spans policy, technology, markets, and innovation.

Puri highlighted that nearly 80% of incremental global energy demand comes from emerging and developing economies, with close to 60% originating in Developing Asia. As these regions grow and gain wider access to mobility, cooling, and digital services, energy demand will rise further, both in scale and complexity.

He further mentioned that India remains firmly committed to clean energy. The nation achieved nearly 20% ethanol blending in ESY 2025, resulting in foreign exchange savings of around USD 19.3 billion and direct payments exceeding USD 15 billion to farmers over the past decade.

The minister highlighted that India is unlocking the potential of nuclear energy as a pillar of the nation's future energy system. "Our ambition has been raised to 100 GW of nuclear capacity by 2047, supported by the approval of the landmark Atomic Energy Bill 2025 SHANTI (Sustainable Harnessing of Advancement of Nuclear Energy for Transforming India), modernising India's nuclear legal framework," Puri said.



## INDIA: THE GLOBAL CONVERGENCE POINT FOR TOMORROW'S ENERGY SOLUTIONS

As the fourth edition of India Energy Week kicked off in Goa with an inspiring inaugural address by the Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, it's important to emphasize India's increasingly central role as the architect and conductor in the global energy evolution. From the ocean depths to global markets, India's energy story is rewriting history, creating unprecedented opportunities for international collaboration, investment, and technological innovation that the world can benefit from immensely.

This premier global conclave in India Energy Week embodies India's emergence as the hub where global energy challenges find pragmatic, scalable solutions. Our approach to balancing energy security, affordability, economic development, and environmental responsibility provides practical frameworks that other nations can adapt to their specific contexts.

As the world's third-largest energy consumer and fastest-growing major economy, India's energy choices influence global markets, technology development, and environmental outcomes. Our integrated approach, which combines traditional energy sources with renewable expansion, leveraging technology for efficiency gains, and ensuring policy frameworks support both domestic development and global competitiveness, provides a replicable model for emerging economies worldwide.

India's energy transformation begins with

our extraordinary geological endowments. We possess, an extensive hydrocarbon resource base, a treasure trove that will enable us to reduce import dependence and progress towards energy security. Our ambitious 'Samudra Manthan' targets unlocking the vast potential of India's offshore resources in a mission-mode as the country advances towards enhanced energy security. The multi-year programme seeks to



accelerate offshore exploration and development, with a particular focus on expedited appraisal and development.

The mission represents India's commitment to energy independence while serving global markets. Our refining capacity expansion from today's 258 MMTPA to 300 MMTPA by 2030 highlights our vision of becoming the world's refining hub. This expansion offers international energy companies unparalleled opportunities to establish manufacturing and distribution networks that can serve the fastest-growing energy markets.

The \$87 billion

petrochemical opportunities, backed by 100% FDI allowance, along with our green fuels push also present a compelling proposition for global investors. India Energy Week 2026 will showcase how these initiatives create win-win scenarios where international capital and expertise combine with Indian innovation and scale to generate solutions with global applicability.

The ethanol blending success story provides another compelling case study. From 1.5% in 2014 to 20% today, this transformation has not only reduced carbon emissions but also generated rural prosperity. International delegations at India Energy Week 2026 will witness firsthand how such integrated approaches can be adapted to diverse agricultural and economic contexts globally.

Our Open Acreage Licensing Policy (OALP) has revolutionized upstream exploration, creating transparent, competitive bidding frameworks that have attracted significant international investment. The 20% premium incentive for deepwater and new well drilling has shown a governance model that other resource-rich nations are studying and adapting.

India is thus well on its way to enhanced energy independence in a sustainable manner in a multi-pronged strategy that will yield rich dividends.

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## Oil and gas sector eyeing \$100 bn in investments, says PM

**The Hindu Bureau**  
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India's oil and gas sector is eyeing to scale \$100 billion in investments by the end of the current decade, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said at the inauguration of the India Energy Week in Goa on Tuesday. He said India aspires to expand the exploration acreage to 1 million sq. km.

"It is with this thought that more than 170 [exploration] blocks have been awarded [in the past], he said, adding, "Andaman Nicobar basin is becoming our next hydrocarbon hope."

Mr. Modi also said that companies investing in India's exploration space could be assured of acquiring a profit. The PM also said that the energy sector was at "the epicenter of our [the country's] aspirations". He stated there was potential for \$500 billion worth investment opportunities in the sector. "Therefore, I call upon you to make in India, innovate in India, scale in India and invest in India," he stated.

The India Energy Week, being held in Goa this year, is the flagship conference of the country's oil and gas sector, collaborating stakeholders from both India and outside, for agreements and consultations.

Speaking at the inaugural ceremony, Sultan Ahmed Al Jaber, Minister of Industry and Advanced Technology and Managing Director and CEO of the Abu Dhabi National Oil



Narendra Modi

Company (ADNOC), estimated that the global oil demand would remain above 100 million barrels per day till 2040. He added that demand for both liquefied natural gas (LNG) and electricity would increase by 50% each. He added that an additional component to the energy demand dynamics would emerge from air-conditioners. By 2050, the world will have 5.6 billion air conditioners, up from 1.6 billion today. "That is, 10 new units sold every second for the next 30 years," he observed.

"Demand at this scale and pace requires investment in all forms of energy. The biggest risk is not over-supply, it is under investment," Mr. Jaber said.

"What we are really seeing play out [today] is energy addition," he added.

Later in the day, Mr. Puri informed that India and Canada had launched a renewed ministerial energy dialogue. An official statement from the Canadian Government said the two countries have "significant potential to emerge strong collaborators in area of energy fuels".



## ‘India, AI among mega trends driving energy sector’

**Rishi Ranjan Kala**  
New Delhi

ADNOC MD and Group CEO, Sultan Al Jaber, on Tuesday, pointed out that AI, systems transformation and rise of India and emerging markets are the three megatrends defining the energy sector today.

In his keynote speech at the fourth edition of the IEW, Al Jaber noted that behind the current turbulence is a bigger picture of transformational scale, which re-

wards those who move boldly, not those who wait for calm seas.

“The defining story of energy today is growth, driven by three powerful megatrends—the rise of emerging markets, led by Asia and India; the exponential growth of AI and the rapid expansion of digital infrastructure, and the transformation of energy systems, not a formula based on a single source, but an integration of many,” he emphasised.

### ENERGY DEMAND

Between now and 2040, oil



Sultan Ahmed Al Jaber,  
CEO, ADNOC

demand will remain above 100 million barrels per day, demand for LNG will climb over 50 per cent and electricity demand will grow 50 per cent, he projected.

“At the heart of all three megatrends sits one nation:

and that is India. As the world’s third largest energy consumer, it has become a decisive driver of global demand,” Al Jaber said.

Over the next 15 years, air travel in India will grow 150 per cent. India’s cities will approach one billion people and its data centre capacity will increase 10-fold. Progress at this pace, and growth at this scale demands a special kind of partnership. Partnership that is strategic, long-term, agile and flexible, he stressed.

“That is precisely what defines the UAE-India rela-

tionship,” Al Jaber, who is also the UAE’s Minister of Industry and Advanced Technology, said.

“And when it comes to energy: As India aims to double natural gas in its energy mix, we have made this nation our number one market for LNG,” he added.

As millions of Indian households turn to cleaner cooking fuels, the UAE is already India’s largest supplier of LPG and will continue to supply feedstocks and chemicals for India’s petrochemical and industrial needs, Al Jaber assured.

## UAE is a trusted energy supplier to India, says Dr Sultan Al Jaber



**At the India Energy Week 2026, ADNOC CEO reiterates that rising global energy demand makes reliable, long-term partnerships essential, with India emerging as a key growth driver**

**D**r Sultan Al Jaber, UAE Minister of Industry and Advanced Technology and the Managing Director and Group CEO of ADNOC, urged global energy leaders to focus on establishing long-term, dependable partnerships as demand increases. He cautioned that a lack of investment presents a larger danger than an oversupply.

Speaking at India Energy Week 2026 on Tuesday, Al Jaber said, as the global energy landscape evolves, we are guided by a fundamental truth: In today's world, standing still is moving backward. That is why we created XRG, leveraging and extending our core strengths in energy expertise, capital, and global partnerships.

Highlighting India-UAE relationship, Al Jaber said last year, trade between our two countries passed the 100-billion-dollar mark, spanning technology, logistics, infrastructure, health, education, culture, tourism, and of course, energy.

He added that as India consumes more crude to fuel its refineries, ADNOC is proud to be a trusted, dependable supplier. And as India aims to double natural gas in its energy mix, we have made this nation our number one market for LNG.

Al Jaber highlighted that as India builds out its renewable energy capacity, ADNOC is investing across 11 gigawatts of solar, wind, and storage through its global climate investment vehicle, Alterra.



# It's a very complex time for energy markets: Hardeep Singh Puri

**CHANGING DYNAMICS.** 'Nearly 80% of incremental global energy demand comes from emerging economies'

**Rishi Ranjan Kala**  
New Delhi

Emphasising the critical role of conventional energy in emerging and developing economies, Union Minister for Oil, Hardeep Singh Puri, on Tuesday, stressed on increasing investments in the oil and gas sector.

In his address at the fourth edition of the India Energy Week (IEW), at Goa till Friday, Puri highlighted that nearly 80 per cent of incremental global energy demand came from emerging and developing economies, with close to 60 per cent originating in developing Asia.

As these regions grow and gain wider access to mobility, cooling and digital services, energy demand will rise further, both in scale and complexity, he said.

"When we last met in New Delhi, the global energy system was already under pressure from geopolitical shifts

and structural change. Today, those pressures have intensified, and the energy order continues to evolve in complex ways," Puri pointed out.

Around 730 million people still live without access to electricity, and nearly two billion – almost one quarter of the global population – continue to rely on cooking methods that are harmful to human health and well-being, he said.

He added that universal, affordable and clean energy access remains a central development and equity challenge for the global community.

"Over the past decade, renewables have grown rapidly. Their share in global electricity generation has increased from around one-fifth to nearly one-third, supported by falling costs and policy momentum. Yet conventional energy continues to play a critical role," he added.



Energy transition, energy security and system resilience must advance together, and energy addition has emerged as a practical pathway to balance these priorities

**HARDEEP SINGH PURI**  
Union Minister for Oil



If investment in existing oil and gas production were to stop today, global oil output would decline by around 8 per cent annually over the next decade, equivalent to losing more than the combined annual production of Brazil and Norway each year, Puri pointed out.

## ENERGY TRANSITION

The history of energy has never been about replacement alone. It has been

about addition. New sources have consistently complemented existing ones, allowing systems to expand and adapt. This remains the defining reality of the global energy transition, he emphasised.

"These trends underline a clear truth. While renewable and alternative energy sources are expanding at pace, conventional energy will remain essential to meet growing demand. Energy

transition, energy security and system resilience must advance together, and energy addition has emerged as a practical pathway to balance these priorities," the Minister added.

The IEW brings together the ideas, expertise and leadership needed to convert dialogue into direction and direction into delivery.

Over the coming days, this platform will foster partnerships and insights that strengthen energy systems across regions and economies, he said.

"Through cooperation, innovation and shared responsibility, India stands ready to work with partners worldwide to build an energy future that is secure, resilient and inclusive," Puri said.

With per capita energy consumption still at only about 40 per cent of the global average, India's growth journey remains both necessary and responsible, he added.

## Investment opportunities aplenty in energy sector: PM

**Our Bureau**  
New Delhi

Emphasising India's expanding appetite for liquefied natural gas (LNG), Prime Minister Narendra Modi, on Tuesday, underlined several investment opportunities in the country, particularly in shipping vessels, pipelines and regasification infrastructure.

In his inaugural address (through a video message), on the first day of the India Energy Week (IEW), at Goa, Modi highlighted numerous opportunities in the exploration and production sector, especially the deep-sea exploration initiative—Samudra Manthan Mission.

Highlighting that LNG demand in India is continuously rising, he emphasised the need to work across the entire LNG value chain. He also pointed out India's efforts to build vessels transporting the super cooled commodity, supported by a recently launched ship-building programme worth ₹70,000 crore. He underlined that numerous investment opportunities have been created in constructing LNG terminals at Indian ports, as well as in regasification projects.

Modi also stressed that India requires a vast pipeline network for LNG transportation, where significant investments have already been made, but large-scale opportunities still remain. He pointed out that city gas distribution networks have reached many cities and are rapidly expanding to others, making this sector highly attractive for investment.

### EXPLORATION BLOCKS

With India actively working on global partnerships across sectors, Modi pointed out to vast investment opportunities across different areas of the energy value



A pre-recorded welcome message by Prime Minister Narendra Modi at India Energy Week in Goa BLOOMBERG

chain. He also highlighted the country's efforts to open up its exploration sector, adding that by the end of this decade, India aims to raise investments in the oil and gas sector to \$100 billion, with a target of expanding the scope of exploration to one million sq km. Modi said that more than 170 blocks have already been awarded, and the Andaman and Nicobar basin is emerging as the next hydrocarbon hope.

Suggestions received during previous editions of IEW have been incorporated, and affirmed that companies investing in the exploration sector are certain to see increased profitability.

### DEMAND ON THE RISE

According to him, India will become the number one country globally in refining capacity soon. He noted that India's current refining capacity stands at around 260 million tonnes per annum (mtpa), and would soon go beyond 300 mtpa, signalling a major advantage for investors. He observed that with India's large population and steadily growing economy, the demand for petrochemical products will continue to rise, necessitating extensive energy infrastructure.

He added that there are also abundant opportunities in downstream activities for investors.



# India, Canada to deepen bilateral energy trade

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In an important development, India and Canada on Tuesday highlighted the “significant potential” to deepen bilateral energy trade including supply of LNG, LPG and crude oil to New Delhi, in return for supplying refined petroleum products to Ottawa.

Canada’s Minister of Energy and Natural Resources, Timothy Hodgson, who is participating at the India Energy Week (IEW), held a bilateral meeting with Oil Minister Hardeep Singh Puri and launched the renewed Canada-India Ministerial Energy Dialogue.

The development assumes importance as this is the first high-level participation of a Canadian Cabinet Minister at the IEW, which comes at a time when both the countries are locked in a trade feud with the US.

In a joint statement by Natural Resources Canada and the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, the ministers affirmed the immense importance that en-



Union Oil Minister Hardeep Singh Puri with Tim Hodgson, Minister of Energy and Natural Resources, Canada

ergy security and diversity of supply has in the safety, well-being and economic vitality of both countries.

## FOLLOW-UP

“This meeting is a follow-up to the direction provided by the Prime Minister(s) of India and Canada during their interaction on the sidelines of the G7 Summit, held in June 2025 in Kananaskis, Canada, wherein both leaders underscored the importance of restarting senior ministerial, as well as working-level engagements,” the joint statement said.

The ministers recognised the importance of joint com-

mercial and investment partnerships in each other’s energy sector. While Canada is acting quickly to build energy projects and supply products to international markets, with Asia as a priority region, India has highlighted the huge investment opportunity of \$500 billion in the overall energy sector value chain.

Recognising this, the Ministers agreed to deepen long-term partnerships aimed at facilitating increased reciprocal investment in the Indian and Canadian energy sectors, the joint statement emphasised.

Canada has current and emerging liquefied natural gas (LNG) projects, is increasing production and exports of crude oil to markets in Asia via the Trans Mountain Expansion (TMX) Pipeline and is advancing liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) exports to Asia via the west coast of Canada.

At the same time, India — being the world’s third largest oil consumer, fourth largest LNG importer, third largest LPG consumer, and having fourth largest refining capacity — is projected

to remain at the centre of the global energy landscape, accounting for over one-third of the growth in global energy demand over the next two decades, largest contribution by any country.

## India eyes critical minerals in Canada

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India is keen on investing in extraction of critical minerals in Canada and will mount a delegation soon to discuss joint collaboration in the sector, Oil Minister Hardeep Singh Puri said. “Canada has critical minerals... they also have four small modular reactors — areas we are interested in,” he said.

State-owned Oil India is part of a consortia that is looking at securing critical minerals essential for manufacturing electric vehicle batteries, solar panels, wind turbines and defence equipment. Its Chairman and Managing Director Ranjit Rath said a delegation will soon visit Canada to explore avenues for investing in extraction of critical minerals.



# Energy sector has \$500 bn investment potential: PM

SHUBHANGI MATHUR  
Goa, 27 January

Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi on Tuesday said the country's energy sector presents a \$500 billion investment opportunity.

Addressing the India Energy Week (IEW) through videoconferencing in the inaugural session of the event, Modi said India was on path to develop a robust energy ecosystem, which will not just meet future domestic demand but also promote exports. He said the government has introduced significant energy policy changes recently to support growth and investment.

India aims to raise investments in the oil and gas sector to \$100 billion by the end of the decade, with a target of expanding the scope of exploration to 1 million square kilometres (sq km), Modi said.

On the refining front, the PM said India would soon become the largest country in terms of refining capacity, which is bound to rise beyond 300 million tonnes per annum (mtpa) from the current 260 mtpa.

Speaking at the same event, UAE Minister of Industry and Advanced Technology Sultan Al Jaber, who is also the managing director (MD) and group chief executive officer (CEO) of ADNOC, said his country would remain a reliable source of energy to India. "As India's refining demand grows, ADNOC will remain a trusted, dependable crude supplier. India is ADNOC's number-one LNG (liquefied natural gas) market, ADNOC is India's largest LPG (liquefied petroleum gas) supplier, and it continues to supply feedstocks and chemicals," he said.

The biggest risk to the energy sector currently is not over-supply but under-investment, said the UAE minister. "Global air-conditioner numbers are projected to more than triple to 5.6 billion by 2050, equivalent to ten AC units sold every second for the next 30 years. Demand at this scale and pace requires investment in all forms of energy," said Jaber. Electricity demand would be driven not only by artificial intelligence (AI) and data centres but increasingly by cooling, he added.

India's Oil Minister Hardeep Puri also said at the event that the government is enabling the sector's growth by building capacity, improving market conditions, and supporting the full energy mix. "The Oilfields (Regulation and Development) Amendment Act, 2025, along with the Petroleum and Natural Gas Rules, 2025, has significantly strengthened India's upstream ecosystem. These reforms introduce single petroleum leases, ensure time-



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**PRIME MINISTER NARENDRA MODI SAID INDIA IS ON PATH TO DEVELOP A ROBUST ENERGY ECOSYSTEM, WHICH WILL NOT JUST MEET FUTURE DOMESTIC DEMAND BUT ALSO PROMOTE EXPORTS**

bound approvals, and provide long-term lease stability," he said.

Puri also highlighted that shipbuilding has emerged as another growth avenue in India. The government's \$8 billion package to boost shipbuilding and maritime sector creates a strong foundation for capacity expansion, industrial scale-up, and new investment partnerships across the maritime value chain, he said.

India presents an investment opportunity of around \$5 billion, with an immediate requirement for around 60

vessels in the oil and gas trade. "In India's trade basket, the oil and gas sector accounts for 28 per cent by volume, making it the largest commodity group handled at our ports," he said.

At the IEW this year, India is hosting 500 global energy industry leaders over four days from January 27-30. The event will see PM Modi engaging with 13 global CEOs, five private-sector leaders from India, and nine heads of Indian public sector undertakings (PSUs). Chief Minister of Goa Pramod Sawant was also present at the event on Tuesday.

## ONGC seeks global oil majors for Western offshore blocks; multiple energy deals signed

State-run Oil and Natural Gas Corp (ONGC) has floated a tender for technical support partnership (TSP) with global oil majors for the firm's blocks in the Western offshore, excluding Mumbai High, said Pankaj Kumar, director of production, on the sidelines of India Energy Week (IEW) event in Goa.

The partnership would be similar to ONGC's TSP with global major BP for the Mumbai High block. "We have seen good results in the Mumbai High region and therefore we would like to explore similar partnerships for other regions," said Kumar. Global companies including Chevron, TotalEnergies, ExxonMobil and Shell are among the interested players for the partnership. The official said the move comes

amid ONGC's efforts to boost production from the company's mature oil blocks. The first day of the IEW event saw ONGC establishing two joint ventures with Mitsui OSK Lines (MOL) signed a 15-year term charter contract for building two Very Large Ethane Carriers (VLECs).

The 100,000 cubic meter VLECs would be equipped with dual-fuel main engines capable of burning ethane as fuel. The VLECs would be constructed at South Korea-headquartered Samsung Heavy Industries. MOL also signed a long-term LNG carrier charter agreement with state-run GAIL.

The Indian government also held a bilateral meeting at the event with Canada to strengthen energy ties.

SHUBHANGI MATHUR

# ■ 'India aims to raise investments in oil, gas sector to \$100bn' Modi: Our energy sector offers \$500bn investment opportunity

SHASHI BHUSHAN  
NEW DELHI, JAN. 27

Inviting global investors to participate in the country's growing energy sector, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday said that the sector offers investment opportunities worth \$500 billion and moves from energy security towards energy independence.

Virtually addressing a gathering during the inauguration ceremony of India Energy Week 2026 in Goa, Mr Modi urged investors to invest in sectors like refining, LNG value chain infrastructure, and oil and gas exploration.

During his address, the Prime Minister also announced that India and the EU have reached a free trade agreement (FTA)



Prime Minister Narendra Modi virtually addresses a gathering during the inauguration of India Energy Week 2026 on Tuesday.

— PTI

and said it accounts for 25 per cent of global GDP and one-third of global trade.

Mr Modi emphasised that the FTA brings immense opportunities for India's 140 crore people and millions across European nations. He stated that it

stands as a remarkable example of coordination between two of the world's largest economies.

Mentioning India is a land of immense opportunities for the energy sector, Mr Modi noted that India is among the top five exporters of petroleum

products in the world, with export coverage extending to more than 150 countries.

Emphasising that India is actively working on global partnerships across every sector, the PM said that in the energy sector alone, there are vast investment opportunities across different areas of the energy value chain.

Mr Modi highlighted that India has significantly opened up its exploration sector and referred to the deep-sea exploration initiative, known as the "Samudra Manthan" mission.

He stated that by the end of this decade, India aims to raise investments in the oil and gas sector to \$100 billion, with a target of expanding the scope of exploration to one million square kilometres.

## India, Canada agree to deepen energy trade

NEW DELHI, JANUARY 27

India and Canada on Tuesday agreed to deepen bilateral energy trade, including supplies of Canadian liquefied natural gas (LNG), liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) and crude oil to India, and export of refined petroleum products from India to Canada, as the two sides sought to revitalise energy cooperation after a prolonged diplomatic chill.

The commitment was made in a joint statement issued after Petroleum and Natural Gas Minister Hardeep Singh Puri and Canada's Minister of

Energy and Natural Resources Timothy Hodgson met on the sidelines of India Energy Week 2026 in Goa. The meeting also marked the relaunch of the India-Canada Ministerial Energy Dialogue.

The ministers underlined that energy security and diversity of supply were central to the economic wellbeing and long-term stability of both countries. They noted that India and Canada's energy sectors were highly complementary, offering scope for sustained and mutually beneficial engagement. — TNS



# \$500-bn opportunities in energy sector: PM

SAURAV ANAND  
Panaji, January 27

**INDIA'S ENERGY SECTOR** offers investment opportunities worth \$500 billion, with plans to raise refining capacity beyond 300 million tonne per annum (MTPA), expand oil and gas exploration to 1 million square kilometre, and mobilise \$100 billion in upstream investments by the end of this decade, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said on Tuesday.

Addressing the inaugural function of India Energy Week



## REFINING STRENGTH

■ India plans to raise its refining capacity from around 260 MTPA to over 300 MTPA

■ India among top 5 exporters of petroleum products, supplying to more than 150 countries

■ Govt aims to mobilise \$100 bn in oil and gas investments by the end of this decade

■ Oil and gas exploration coverage set to expand to 1 million sq km

2026 virtually, the Prime Minister said the country's expanding economy and rising energy demand are creating sustained opportunities across the energy value chain, including refining,

exploration, liquefied natural gas (LNG) infrastructure and downstream petrochemicals.

Highlighting India's refining strength, Modi said the country's current refining

capacity stands at around 260 MTPA, with efforts underway to raise it beyond 300 MTPA. Noting that India is among the top five exporters of petroleum products with exports reaching

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more than 150 countries, he said this scale offers advantages to global partners. The PM said India aims to raise \$100 billion in oil and gas investments by the end of this decade, while expanding exploration coverage to 1 million sq km.

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## \$500-bn opportunities in energy sector: Modi

HE SAID OVER 170 exploration blocks have already been awarded, and the Andaman and Nicobar basin is emerging as the next hydrocarbon hope. "Suggestions received during previous editions of India Energy Week have been incorporated into changes in Acts and Rules," he said.

With India's large population and growing economy, he said demand for petrochemical products will continue to rise, requiring

expanded downstream energy infrastructure. "Today's India is riding on the Reforms Express," the PM said, adding that reforms are being undertaken to strengthen domestic hydrocarbons while creating a transparent and investor-friendly environment for global collaborations. He said the country is moving beyond energy security towards energy independence.

He also invited global investors with the message: "Make in India, Innovate in India, Scale with India, Invest in India."





# Energy sector is at centre of India's aspirations: PM

Sukalp Sharma

Betul (Goa), January 27

CALLING ON global investors to invest in India's energy sector, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said Tuesday that sector is at the centre of India's aspirations and presents a \$500-billion investment opportunity.

Addressing the India Energy Week in Goa virtually, the Prime Minister counted oil and gas exploration, refining, liquefied natural gas (LNG) value chain, and petrochemicals as sectors with massive growth and investment opportunities in India.

He said the government is riding the "reforms express" and has been undertaking measures to liberalise India's hydrocarbons sector and create a transparent and investor-friendly environment in an effort to move beyond energy security to "energy independence". The country is building an energy sector ecosystem that can fulfill its own demand, and make energy exports competitive through affordable refining and transportation solutions, he said.

"India is the fastest-growing major economy, which means the demand for energy products is constantly increasing here. Additionally, India provides excellent opportunities to meet global demand. Today, India is one of the top five exporters of petroleum products in the world. Our export coverage extends to over 150 countries, and this capability of India will be very useful to you," Modi said, addressing del-



PM Narendra Modi virtually addresses a gathering at the India Energy Week 2026 on Tuesday. P T I

egates at India's premier annual energy event.

He said that India is on its path to become the world's top oil refiner, with efforts underway to increase the country's refining capacity to over 300 million tonnes per annum (mtpa) from the current around 260 mtpa, which is an opportunity for investors.

India is one of the few major economies where petroleum demand is still on the rise. It is also a net exporter of petroleum products, and some global majors have shown an interest in investing in the country's refining and petrochemicals sectors.

"India has such a large population and our economy is continuously growing. In such a scenario, the demand for petrochemical products in India is also going to rise constantly. Therefore, we need a very large energy infrastructure, and your investment in this will give you a lot of growth. Besides all this, there are many opportunities for you to invest in downstream activities in

## 'India decisive driver of global energy demand'

**Betul:** The rise of emerging markets, growth of AI and expansion of digital infrastructure, and transformation of energy systems to include various sources of energy — these are the three megatrends that are defining the story of energy in the present times, and India sits at the heart of these megatrends, UAE's Minister of Industry and Advanced Technology Sultan Ahmed Al Jaber said on Tuesday. Speaking at the India Energy Week here, Al Jaber, who is also the MD and Group CEO of the Abu Dhabi National Oil Company, said India is now a "decisive driver" of global energy demand, which is expected to jump significantly over the coming years and would require substantial investment in all forms of energy, instead of relying predominantly on any single source. **ENS**

India," Modi said.

India has an oil import dependency level of over 88%, and has been looking to increase domestic oil and gas production by intensifying exploration efforts.

Inviting global investors to invest in hydrocarbon exploration in India, Modi said that the government has carried out numerous reforms to make the sector investor friendly.



# India, Canada reboot energy ties; eye LNG, crude and refined fuels

SAURAV ANAND  
Panaji, January 27

**INDIA AND CANADA** on Tuesday agreed to broaden bilateral energy trade, with discussions covering the supply of Canadian LNG, LPG and crude oil to India, and exports of refined petroleum products from India to Canada. The two countries also committed to deeper cooperation across both conventional and clean energy value chains.

The commitment was reaffirmed during the ongoing India Energy Week, where policymakers from both countries highlighted the need for diversified and reliable energy supply chains amid shifting global demand patterns.

India is estimated to account for over one-third of the growth in global energy demand over the next two decades, underscoring its role as a major consumption hub.

"India, as a major consumer and Canada as a safe, secure and reliable supplier, can act in partnership to deepen trade and ensure stable and secure energy supplies," the government said in a statement.

The reaffirmation followed a meeting between Union Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas Hardeep Singh



Petroleum and Natural Gas Minister Hardeep Singh Puri (centre) poses with other delegates during the inaugural ceremony of the 4th India Energy Week in Panaji on Tuesday

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Puri and Canadian Energy Minister Tim Hodgson, during which both sides agreed to promote and strengthen cooperation across energy trade and services.

"Canada has expressed interest in enhancing the energy cooperation with India. We already have some ongoing cooperation. Canada is big in terms of overall availability but it's not just in crude and gas," Puri said. "There's a lot of potential in critical minerals, also small modular reactors and a lot of our companies which started off as traditional oil companies have moved to green energy."

Canada has stated its goal of becoming an energy super-

power in clean and conventional energy, with export diversification emerging as a priority.

The government noted that India offers a natural partnership anchored in scale, stability and long-term opportunity.

Canada currently has operational and emerging LNG projects, is increasing crude oil production and exports to Asian markets through the Trans Mountain Expansion (TMX) Pipeline, and is advancing LPG exports to Asia via its west coast.

"We see an opportunity to work with India," Hodgson said at the conference.

"We are now building pipelines to the West Coast.

We are looking to build more. We will never use our energy for coercion."

The meeting also marked the relaunch of a ministerial energy dialogue, which had remained dormant following diplomatic tensions. The renewed engagement aligns with Canada's broader push to diversify its export markets.

"Canada used to provide 98% of its energy exports to a single country," Hodgson said. "We are committed to diversifying." Beyond conventional fuels, both sides recognised the importance of climate-related objectives, including efforts to reduce emissions across conventional energy value chains.







## Venezuelan crude may re-enter Indian basket

SAURAV ANAND  
Panaji, January 27

**INDIA COULD AGAIN** see Venezuelan crude flows in the range of 100,000–150,000 barrels per day, even as Russian crude imports remain lower and West Asian grades continue to fill supply gaps, according to industry experts speaking on the sidelines of India Energy Week 2026.

India's crude sourcing strategy is undergoing recalibration as sanctions-related disruptions, compliance pressures and shifting price dynamics alter trade flows.

"Trade patterns are already shifting," said Premasish Das, Head of Oil Markets and Downstream Research – Asia, Middle East, Africa and Eurasia, S&P Global Energy. "China has been the main buyer in recent years, but that may not hold in 2026. With the US showing interest in processing more Venezuelan barrels and sanctions potentially easing, the discounts that made these crudes attractive to Chinese teapots are likely to narrow."

Das said once Venezuelan barrels begin pricing closer to fair value, Chinese independent refiners could reduce intake.

# Efforts ramped up for OVL's \$580-mn Venezuela dues

SAURAV ANAND  
Panaji, January 27

**AMID SHIFTING GEOPOLITICAL** equations following the recent US intervention in Venezuela, India has stepped up efforts to unlock nearly \$580 million in stalled dividends of ONGC Videsh, underscoring the growing interplay between sanctions policy and India's overseas energy investments, according to people familiar with the matter.

Along these lines, India is carrying out diplomatic engagement with Washington and Caracas.

The unpaid dividends relate to ONGC Videsh's (OVL) stake in Venezuela's San Cristobal oilfield, where the overseas arm of state-run Oil and Natural Gas Corp holds a 40% participating interest, with the remaining stake owned by Venezuelan national oil company Petróleos de Venezuela, S.A. (PdVSA). The dividends have remained blocked for several years following US sanctions on Venezuela's oil sector, which disrupted production and restricted cross-border financial transactions.

"Ministerial level talks are underway, involving all the stakeholders. There is no final

## ONGC seeks tech service provider for offshore fields

**STATE-OWNED OIL** and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) has floated a tender seeking a technical service provider (TSP) for its western offshore oilfields, excluding the Mumbai High field, where UK-based bp plc has already been appointed, the company's director (production) Pankaj Kumar said on Tuesday.

Speaking on the sidelines of India Energy Week 2026, Kumar said, "We are now in the market for another TSP covering the Western Offshore, excluding Mumbai High field.



The tender has been floated, and we have personally communicated with the CEOs of 10 major E&P operators, including Shell, bp, Chevron, Exxon, TotalEnergies among others."

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outcome yet, but talks have gained momentum in recent weeks," said an official aware of the developments, requesting anonymity. "We are on the brighter side, given the changing circumstances," the official added. According to people in the know, officials from PdVSA are expected to arrive in India on Wednesday (28th January) and are likely to hold meetings with Indian counterparts during the ongoing India Energy

Week (IEW). The issue of unpaid dividends is expected to feature prominently in these discussions. OVL has been present in Venezuela since 2008, viewing the country's vast hydrocarbon reserves as a long-term strategic asset to support India's energy security.

However, successive rounds of US sanctions since 2020 have significantly curtailed output at San Cristobal.



# India rapidly moving beyond energy security towards energy independence: PM Modi

**Across the energy value chain, companies and countries could drive growth and sustainability with India as their partner**

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As India moves ahead from energy security to energy independence, it offers immense opportunities for countries and companies for partnership, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said while inaugurating the fourth edition of India Energy Week at Goa.

Highlighting the global partnerships that India is stitching across several sectors, the Prime Minister mentioned the opportunities that have opened across the entire energy value chain. By the end of the decade, India hopes to have raised investments in the oil and gas sector to \$100 billion as the Samudra Manthan Mission drives the deep sea exploration sector.

With the energy sector at the heart of India's ambitions, the Prime Minister highlighted the investment opportunities worth \$500 billion to help transform the energy sector. India has awarded 170



blocks for exploration, and the Andaman and Nicobar basin is emerging as the next hydrocarbon opportunity for the country. By 2030, India hopes to expand the scope of exploration to one million square kilometres.

"Today's India is riding on the reforms express and undertaking rapid reforms across every sector", the Prime Minister said.

Seeking to enhance global partnership with India's energy sector, Modi invited countries and companies to "Make in India, Innovate in India,

“India is strengthening global partnerships across the energy value chain. This would be driven by expanded exploration, higher refining capacity and integrated LNG and downstream infrastructure, while ensuring affordable supply chains and globally competitive energy exports. India today is a land of vast opportunities for the global energy sector.

**NARENDRA MODI**, Prime Minister

Scale with India, and Invest in India". He highlighted that India is among the top five exporters of petroleum products in the world, with its products making it to the shelves of over 150 countries.

During his address, Prime Minister Modi also announced the signing of the EU-India free trade agreement, sharing that it will boost manufacturing and expand the services sector. The "mother of all deals" had the potential to strengthen global business and investor confidence in India. The agreement also promises to bring opportunities for India's 140 crore people and millions across European nations, according to the Prime Minister.

India's rapidly expanding refining capacity found a particular mention during the Prime Minister's ten-minute virtual address. With a refining capacity of 260 million metric tonnes per annum, the second largest in the world, India is looking to expand its capacity to over 300 million metric tonnes per annum and scale it up as the biggest petroleum refining nation in the world.

The demand for liquefied natural gas (LNG) is expanding, and the country's target is to meet 15 percent of its energy demand through LNG.

Highlighting the efforts being made for the transport of LNG, the Prime Minister mentioned that it presented an opportunity to build the infrastructure and work throughout the LNG value

chain. Investments in LNG terminals at Indian ports, as well as in regasification projects are other opportunities that are unfolding. India is also working to build the vessels required for LNG transportation. Last year, the government announced a shipbuilding programme worth Rs. 70,000 crores.

The exploration and refining for hydrocarbons is the heart of the policy driven changes that India is witnessing. The effort is to create a transparent and investor-friendly environment for businesses and help global partnerships thrive. India's broad effort is focused on developing an energy sector ecosystem to meet local demand and, through

affordable refining and transportation solutions, making exports highly competitive for the world.

Representatives from 125 countries are He highlighted that they have come to India to discuss an

energy-secure and sustainable future and welcomed all the participants.

Over the last 12 months, India's renewables has rapidly scaled up. During mid-2025, the installed capacity of renewable energy overtook the installed capacity for energy through fossil fuels. Nearly 80 percent of the installed renewable capacity is through solar and wind power. Grid scale storage is adding a new dimension to India's energy transformation story, allowing it to use renewable to meet peak energy demand.

By the end of the decade, India hopes to have raised investments in the oil and gas sector to \$100 billion as the Samudra Manthan Mission drives the deep sea exploration sector



# Affordability and accessibility, addressing energy needs

**Demand for energy is increasingly being driven by a number of factors including environmental concerns. Technology and efficiency are going to be the driving forces of energy in the future**

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The world is increasingly looking towards securing affordable, accessible and sustainable energy. At The India Energy Week, 2026 session that saw Javier Blas, Opinion Columnist Bloomberg, Hardeep Singh Puri, Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Tim Hodgson, Minister of Energy and Natural Resources, Canada and Jassim Al Shirawi, Secretary General International Energy Forum (IEF), discussing how countries need to collaborate and coordinate to ensure energy becomes the largest focus area in global discussions.

Shirawi stressed that decision makers need to set their priorities. "We cannot have a one model of energy conservation across all countries. It is important to understand that each country has its own priorities and this needs to be respected while looking at the energy transition story."

The energy demand requires investment in all forms. The biggest risk today being



faced is under investment in energy. As the world's third largest consumer of energy, the growth in the energy transformation story in India is huge.

The demand for energy is increasingly being driven by population and a rise in the standards of living. Technology and efficiency are going to be the driving forces of momentum in the future.

Tim Hodgson stressed that the world needs to focus on free trade and foster relationships

and not be swayed by power struggles. "Canada is a great supplier of energy and we do know that we need to move beyond one or two suppliers and cater to the world at large. We are the world's largest supplier of uranium and we need to work together globally to ensure we are able to operate in a fair-playing market."

Hardeep Singh Puri said there is huge potential in the energy environment today while noting, "It is always a challenge that throws up an opportunity. We are adapting

because we know energy is the lifeline of growth. Today India has reached a situation where we have no shortage of energy. We do have an issue with supply-chain though. But there is huge opportunity and we need to capitalise on the same."

The world is today much more predictable and the changes being seen in energy transformation are fascinating indeed. India today stands tall as a producer, consumer and exporter of energy.



"If investment in existing oil and gas production were to stop today, global oil output would decline by around 8 per cent annually over the next decade. India stands ready to work with global partners to build an energy future that is secure, resilient and inclusive. India Energy Week 2026 will serve as a catalyst for cooperation, partnerships and actionable outcomes, helping convert dialogue into delivery for the benefit of economies and societies worldwide.

**HARDEEP SINGH PURI**  
Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Government of India

"Progress and growth at this scale and pace requires a special kind of partnership. Partnership that is strategic, long-term, agile and flexible. Steadfast, dependable, principled and consistent. In an age of walls, our message is simple; build doors and the world will walk through them. I invite all our partners, from India and around the world, to walk with us through those doors and into the future together.

**DR. SULTAN AHMED AL JABER**  
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# The Global Convergence Point for Tomorrow's Energy Solutions

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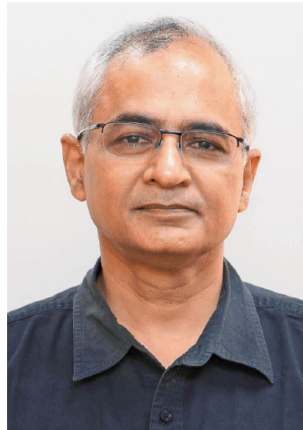
As the fourth edition of India Energy Week kicked off in Goa with an inspiring inaugural address by the Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, it's important to emphasize India's increasingly central role as the architect and conductor in the global energy evolution. From the ocean depths to global markets, India's energy story is rewriting history, creating unprecedented opportunities for international collaboration, investment, and technological innovation that the world can benefit from immensely.

This premier global conclave in India Energy Week embodies India's emergence as the hub where global energy challenges find pragmatic, scalable solutions. Our approach to balancing energy security,

affordability, economic development, and environmental responsibility provides practical frameworks that other nations can adapt to their specific contexts.

As the world's third-largest energy consumer and fastest-growing major economy, India's energy choices influence global markets, technology development, and environmental outcomes. Our integrated approach, which combines traditional energy sources with renewable expansion, leveraging technology for efficiency gains, and ensuring policy frameworks support both domestic development and global competitiveness, provides a replicable model for emerging economies worldwide.

India's energy transformation begins with our extraordinary geological endowments. We possess an extensive hydrocarbon



resource base, a treasure trove that will enable us to reduce import dependence and progress towards energy security. Our ambitious 'Samudra Manthan' targets unlocking the vast potential of India's offshore resources in a mission-mode as the country advances towards enhanced energy security. The multi-year programme seeks to accelerate offshore exploration and development, with a particular focus on expedited appraisal and development.

The Mission represents India's commitment to energy independence while serving global markets. Our refining capacity expansion from today's 258 MMTPA to 300 MMTPA by 2030 highlights our vision of becoming the world's refining hub. This expansion offers international energy companies unparalleled opportunities to

establish manufacturing and distribution networks that can serve the fastest-growing energy markets.

The \$87 billion petrochemical opportunities, allowing for 100 percent foreign investment, along with our green fuels push also present a compelling proposition for global investors. India Energy Week 2026 will showcase how these initiatives create win-win scenarios where international capital and expertise combine with Indian innovation and scale to generate solutions with global applicability.

The ethanol blending success story provides another compelling case study. From 1.5 percent in 2014 to 20 percent today, this transformation has not only reduced carbon emissions but also generated rural prosperity. International delegations at

India Energy Week 2026 will witness firsthand how such integrated approaches can be adapted to diverse agricultural and economic contexts globally.

Our Open Acreage Licensing Policy (OALP) has revolutionised upstream exploration, creating transparent, competitive bidding frameworks that have attracted significant international investment. The 20 percent premium incentive for deepwater and new well drilling has shown a governance model that other resource-rich nations are studying and adapting.

India is thus well on its way to enhanced energy independence in a sustainable manner in a multi-pronged strategy that will yield rich dividends.

*(The writer is Secretary, Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas)*

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# UAE will be a Trusted Partner for Reliable Supply: Al Jaber

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**Betul:** India has become a “decisive driver of global energy demand” and the UAE will be its trusted partner in ensuring dependable supply, said Sultan Ahmed Al Jaber, the emirates’ industry minister. “In an era of constant change, reliable partnerships are the real strategic reserves,” said Al Jaber, who is also chief executive of Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC).

“As India consumes more crude to fuel its refineries, ADNOC is proud to be a trusted, dependable supplier. As India aims to double natural gas in its energy mix, we have made this nation our number one market for LNG,” he said.

The UAE is also India’s largest supplier of LPG. Other supplies include feedstocks and chemicals for India’s petro-

chemical and industrial needs. Al Jaber said the world is witnessing the largest expansion of energy demand in human history. “Behind the current turbulence is a bigger picture of transformation at scale,” he said.

Three megatrends are driving energy demand today: the rise of emerging markets; the exponential growth of artificial intelligence and rapid expansion of digital infrastructure; and the transformation of energy systems, he said. “At the heart of all three megatrends sits one nation, and that is India,” he said.

ADNOC is being reimagined to incorporate advances in AI and other technologies, he said.

“In today’s ADNOC, agentic AI systems monitor every well in our portfolio in real time, predicting equipment failures before they happen and optimising production barrel by barrel,” he said.



INDIA ENERGY WEEK

# India Targets \$100b Oil & Gas Investments by 2030: PM

**INVESTOR PITCH** Modi says energy sector central to nation's aspirations, offering investment opportunities worth \$500 billion

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**Betul:** India aims to raise investments in the oil and gas sector to \$100 billion by the end of the decade, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said, adding that the country is now seeking energy independence.

"India is now moving beyond energy security and working towards the mission of energy independence," Modi said in a virtual address to a gathering of industry executives, investors and policymakers at India Energy Week Tuesday. "India is developing an energy-sector ecosystem that can meet its domestic demand, while also enabling globally competitive exports through affordable refining and transportation solutions."

India's energy sector lies at the centre of the nation's aspirations, offering investment opportunities worth \$500 billion, Modi said, pitching to global



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**NARENDRA MODI**  
Prime Minister

investors. "Today's India is riding the reforms express and undertaking rapid reforms across every sector," Modi said, highlighting several changes in the exploration sector, including freeing up more areas that were earlier barred from exploration. Several suggestions received during previous editions of India Energy Week have been incorporated into amendments to Acts and Rules, he added.

India has set a target of expanding the scope of exploration to 1 million square kilometres, Modi said, adding that more than 170 blocks have already been awarded, and that the Andaman and Nicobar basin is emerging as the next hydrocarbon hope.

Efforts are being made to raise the country's refining capacity from around 260 million metric tonnes per annum (MMTPA) to above 300 MMTPA, Modi said, adding that this expansion presents a "major advantage" for investors.

Modi also highlighted investment op-

portunities in building LNG import terminals and expanding the city gas network. "For LNG transportation, we are working to build the required vessels within India itself. Recently, a ₹70,000 crore programme has been launched for shipbuilding in India," he said.

In a country like India, with a growing population and a fast-expanding economy, demand for

petrochemical products will continue to rise, Modi said. "This means we will need large-scale energy infrastructure, and investments in this area will also deliver significant growth for you," he added.



# Canada for Deeper Energy Ties with India

**Sanjeev Choudhary**

**Betul:** Resisting US economic coercion requires building multilateral partnerships and doubling down on supply diversification, Canadian energy minister Tim Hodgson said, adding that he was in India to deepen energy partnerships.

Hodgson also praised India for agreeing to a trade deal with the European Union. "What you just did with the EU, signing the mother of all deals, was a perfect example of how to say no, we're not going to live in a world where might makes right," he said. "The rules-based order that we all have been building our economies around, one that was based on multilateralism, one that was based on free trade, the hegemony of the world have decided that's not the way the world's going to work anymore. They've deci-



**Tim Hodgson**

ded the world will work in a much more mercantilist way," Hodgson said, building on Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney's remarks at Davos last week that the world is "in the midst of a rupture, not a transition," and that middle powers should come together.

India and Canada have experienced a rough patch in diplomatic relations in recent years, but growing friction

with the US over tariffs is bringing the two countries closer. "I don't need to tell India what it means when people use their economic integration with your country for coercion," Hodgson said. "I don't need to tell you what it means when hegemony uses tariffs as leverage."

"I'm here because, like you, the way to resist that change is to build multilateral relationships and to double down on diversification of supplies," he said.

Canada is one of world's largest sources of oil, gas and critical minerals, but remains heavily dependent on US for exports. Canada supplies a small amount of energy to India. Indian oil firms have some investments in Canadian upstream assets. "We see opportunity to work with India," he said. "The fastest-growing demand for energy in the world will be in India, whether it's LNG, LPG, uranium."



# E-buses now serve 40% of DTC's daily ridership

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**New Delhi:** Electric buses have silently gone from being a novelty to the backbone of city transport in two years, now logging nearly 88% of the total daily distance covered by CNG buses.

When electric buses first hit Delhi's roads in 2022, the 300-strong fleet served just 5% of DTC's 25 lakh daily passengers. By 2024-25, electric buses were carrying nearly 10 lakh passengers daily, nearly 40% of DTC's average ridership of 25.6 lakh.

The surge signals a shift

## BLUE WAVE

➤ E-buses run **2.9L km/day** vs 3.3 lakh km/day by CNG buses

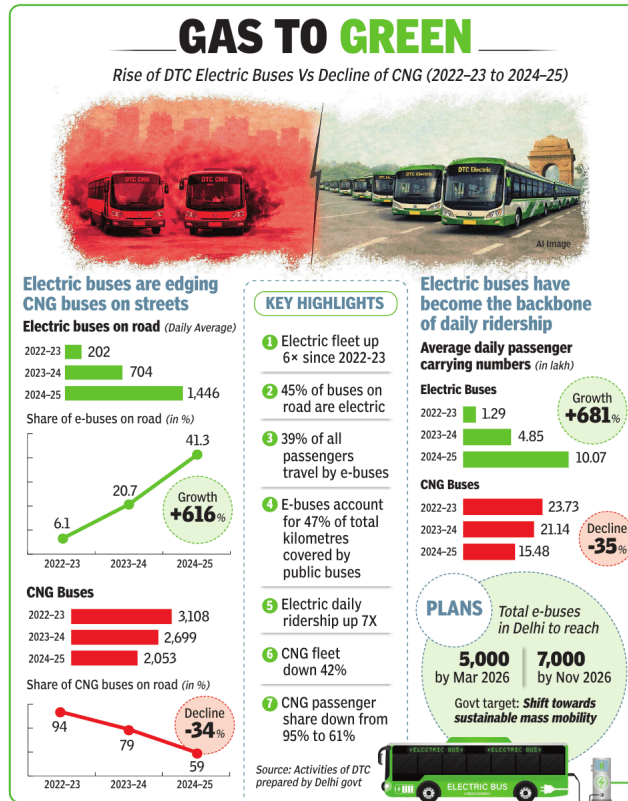
➤ **Blue e-buses** carry 10L of DTC's 25.6L daily passengers

➤ CNG bus ridership **fell from 24L (2022-23) to 15L (2024-25)** as e-buses expanded

towards zero tailpipe-emission bus mobility. In these two years, while electric buses increased from 300 to 1,725, accounting for over 45% of the corporation's fleet, CNG buses declined by 34% (from 3,637 to 2,094).

► **CNG buses, P 6**

# In 2 years, ridership on CNG buses down by 9L



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Proportionately, the daily ridership on CNG buses dropped from nearly 24 lakh in 2022-23 to 15 lakh in 2024-25, as electric buses expanded and replaced them, Delhi government data show.

Delhi first introduced CNG buses in 2001 after a Supreme Court order mandated a shift from diesel-run buses to control air pollution. The city also has the most robust metro train network in the country.

All DTC electric buses are air-conditioned and low-floor, and outnumber CNG AC buses (909). They cover 2.9 lakh km a day on average, against 3.3 lakh km covered by all CNG buses.

A DTC official said the share of electric bus share will significantly rise by March-end.

Delhi's electric bus journey began on Jan 17, 2022 when one blue bus rolled out on the Pragati Maidan-IP Depot route of 27km. It was astonishingly quiet and quicker compared with the roaring lumbering CNG buses, and of course cleaner. Within months, more buses were introduced. The code is clear: blue for electric, red for air-conditioned CNG, green for non-AC.

Govt scaled up electric buses in the city due to their zero tailpipe emissions, low-floor accessible design, and lower operating costs.

A Delhi govt official said central govt schemes such as

FAME II, which provides subsidies for the EV transition, played a key role in speeding up the expansion.

In these two years, the overall DTC bus ridership has also seen an uptick of 50,000 a day.

Amit Bhatt, the India managing director at the International Council on Clean Transportation (ICCT), said the trend reflects sustained policy support and better service quality. "National schemes such as FAME II and the current PM E-DRIVE initiative enabled large-scale deployment of electric buses. Given current trends, Delhi is well positioned to fully transition its bus fleet to electric and expand services further in the coming years," he said.



## भारत बनेगा दुनिया का सबसे बड़ा ऑयल रिफाइनिंग हब: मोदी



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**PANJIM (27 Jan) :** प्राइम मिनिस्टर नरेंद्र मोदी ने वचुअरली इंडिया एनर्जी वीक (IEW) 2026 के चौथे एडिशन का इन्निग्रेशन किया। पीएम ने अपने वचुअल मैसेज के जरिए कहा कि एनर्जी सेक्टर के लिए भारत मौकों की जमीन है, क्योंकि इसमें मांग तेजी से बढ़ रही है। उन्होंने कहा- भारत दुनिया की सबसे तेजी से बढ़ती हुई बड़ी अर्थव्यवस्था है। इसका मतलब है कि यहाँ एनर्जी प्रोडक्ट्स की मांग लगातार बढ़ रही है। इसके अलावा, भारत दुनिया की मांग को पूरा करने के लिए बेहतरीन मौके देता है। पीएम मोदी ने आगे कहा- भारत के एनर्जी सेक्टर में 500 बिलियन डॉलर इन्वेस्टमेंट का मौका है। भारत जल्द ही दुनिया का सबसे बड़ा ऑयल रिफाइनिंग हब बनेगा।

### एनर्जी प्रोफेशनल

इंडिया एनर्जी वीक 2026 ग्लोबल एनर्जी एनर्जीविशन कॉन्फ्रेंस है। यह 30 जनवरी तक चलेगा। इसमें 75 हजार से ज्यादा एनर्जी प्रोफेशनल, 700 से ज्यादा एनर्जीविटर, 550 से ज्यादा एक्सपर्ट स्पॉकर शामिल होंगे। गोवा में चौथे इंडिया एनर्जी वीक (IEW) 2026 के उद्घाटन समारोह में पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री हरदीप सिंह पुरी ने कहा कि भारत ने इथेनॉल सप्लाई ईयर (ESY) 2025 में लगभग 20% इथेनॉल ब्लेंडिंग हासिल की है। पुरी ने कहा- 2050 तक, वैश्विक ऊर्जा मांग में भारत की हिस्सेदारी लगभग 30-35% बढ़ने का अनुमान है, जो कुल वैश्विक ऊर्जा मांग का लगभग 10% तक पहुँच जाएगी। इसे पूरा करने के लिए, सरकार पूरे एनर्जी मिक्सचर में क्षमता का विस्तार कर रही है। 3 दिन में 120 से ज्यादा सेशन, 12 से ज्यादा इंटरनेशनल कंट्री पर्वेलियन और 11 थोमेटिक जोन होंगे। जिनमें तेल और गैस, रिन्यूएबल एनर्जी, हाइड्रोजन, वायोफ्यूल, इलेक्ट्रिकेशन, डिजिटलाइजेशन, AI और नेट-जीरो पाथवे शामिल हैं।

# CANADA TO SUPPLY LNG, LPG, OIL TO INDIA

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CANADA will supply liquefied natural gas (LNG), liquefied petroleum gas (LPG), and crude oil to India, while India will export refined petroleum products to Canada, according to the Canada-India Ministerial Energy Dialogue held on Tuesday.

The dialogue took place between India's Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Hardeep Singh Puri, and Canada's Minister of Energy and Natural Resources, Timothy Hodgson, on the sidelines of India Energy Week 2026



(IEW'26) in Goa. "The ministers affirm to deepen bilateral energy trade, including supply of Canadian LNG, LPG, and crude oil to India, and the supply of refined petroleum products from India to Canada.

Natural Resources Canada and India's Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas recognized the complementary nature of their energy sectors and the mutual value to be gained from sustained engagement on energy matters," the statement said. Puri, while speaking to journalists, said Canada has strengths across several energy sectors.

## एथनाल मिश्रण से 19 अरब डालर की विदेशी मुद्रा बची

गोवा, एनआइ: पेट्रोलियम मंत्री हरदीप पुरी ने मंगलवार को कहा कि एक दशक में भारत को एथनाल मिश्रण से 19.30 अरब डालर की विदेशी मुद्रा की बचत हुई है और इस दौरान किसानों को 15 अरब डालर का प्रत्यक्ष भुगतान किया गया है। गोवा में चौथे इंडिया एनर्जी वीक 2026 के उद्घाटन समारोह को संबोधित करते हुए पुरी ने स्वच्छ ऊर्जा लक्ष्य के लिए ऊर्जा बदलाव को आर्थिक सुरक्षा के साथ संतुलित करने की भारत की रणनीति के बारे में खुलकर चर्चा की।

मंत्री ने कहा कि वायोएनर्जी में बड़े पैमाने पर बढ़ावा देने के हिस्से के तौर पर भारत अपने कम्प्रेस्ड बायोगैस लक्ष्य को पूरा करने के लिए सही रास्ते पर है। उन्होंने कहा कि जहाँ नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा ग्लोबल विजली उत्पादन के पाँचवें हिस्से से बढ़कर एक तिहाई हो गई है। वहीं बढ़ती मांग को पूरा करने के लिए परंपरागत एनर्जी अभी भी जरूरी है। यह बात ठीक है कि नवीकरणीय और वैकल्पिक ऊर्जा स्रोत तेजी से बढ़ रहे हैं, लेकिन परंपरागत एनर्जी जरूरी बनी रहेगी। देश की भविष्य की ऊर्जा जरूरतों पर बात करते हुए पुरी ने कहा, "2050 तक वैश्विक ऊर्जा मांग में भारत का हिस्सा लगभग 30-35% बढ़ने का अनुमान है, जो कुल वैश्विक ऊर्जा मांग का लगभग 10 प्रतिशत हो जाएगा।" इसे पूरा करने के लिए सरकार ऊर्जा क्षमता को बढ़ा रही है, जिसमें 2047 तक नाभिकीय ऊर्जा क्षमता को 100 गीगावाट तक बढ़ाना शामिल है।

भारत को 145 अरब डालर का सालाना निवेश करना होगा: वुड मैकेजी ने मंगलवार को कहा कि भारत को लगातार आर्थिक विकास के साथ अपने कार्बन जीरो के लक्ष्य के अंतर को कम करना है तो अपने एनर्जी सेक्टर में लगभग 145 अरब डालर का सालाना निवेश करना होगा। इंडिया एनर्जी वीक 2026 में बोलते हुए, वुड मैकेजी ने एशिया पैसिफिक के वाइस चेयरमैन, जोशुआ न्यु ने कहा कि भारत की बढ़ती अर्थव्यवस्था और डी-कार्बनाइजेशन लक्ष्यों का समर्थन करने के लिए इस तरह के निवेश को रणनीतिक रूप से विजली उत्पादन, एनर्जी स्टोरेज और तुरंत ग्रिड उन्नयन पर ध्यान देना चाहिए।

भारत वैश्विक ऊर्जा विकास के केंद्र में: कार्यक्रम में संयुक्त अरब अमीरात (यूएई) के उद्योग मंत्री



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- पेट्रोलियम मंत्री ने कहा-एक दशक में किसानों को 15 अरब डालर का प्रत्यक्ष भुगतान
- 2050 तक वैश्विक ऊर्जा मांग में भारत का हिस्सा 30-35% तक बढ़ने का अनुमान

### भारत के एनर्जी सेक्टर में 500 अरब डालर के निवेश अवसर: मोदी

गोवा, प्रेस: प्रधानमंत्री नरेन्द्र मोदी ने कहा कि भारत के एनर्जी सेक्टर में 500 अरब डालर के निवेश की संभावनाएं मौजूद हैं, क्योंकि देश सुधारों को तेज कर रहा है और देश ऊर्जा सुरक्षा से ऊर्जा स्वतंत्रता की ओर बढ़ रहा है। वीडियो कांफ्रेंसिंग के जरिये इंडिया एनर्जी वीक 2026 के उद्घाटन समारोह को संबोधित करते हुए, उन्होंने कहा कि बड़े सुधारों और तेल और गैस खोजने और बनाने के लिए 10 लाख वर्ग किलोमीटर क्षेत्र खोलने के बाद दशक के आखिर तक अपस्ट्रीम सेक्टर में 100 अरब डालर के निवेश का लक्ष्य है जबकि डाउनस्ट्रीम में देश दुनिया का सबसे बड़ा आयल रिफाइनिंग हब बनने का लक्ष्य लेकर चल रहा है। उन्होंने कहा कि 2030 तक एनर्जी बास्केट में प्राकृतिक गैस का हिस्सा दोगुना से ज्यादा 15 प्रतिशत करने का लक्ष्य एलएनजी और पाइपलाइन में निवेश के माँके पैदा करेगा।

सुल्तान अहमद अल जाबेर ने मंगलवार को कहा कि भारत, उभरते बाजारों, आर्टिफिशियल इंटेलिजेंस और एनर्जी सिस्टम में बड़े पैमाने पर बदलाव की वजह से ऊर्जा मांग वृद्धि के केंद्र में है। अगले 15 सालों में, भारत में हवाई यात्रा 150 प्रतिशत बढ़ने की उम्मीद है।



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## भारत ऊर्जा सप्ताह में प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी ने कहा देश जल्द दुनिया का सबसे बड़ा शोधन केंद्र बनेगा

जनसत्ता ब्यूरो  
नई दिल्ली, 27 जनवरी ।

प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी ने मंगलवार को वैश्विक निवेशकों को भारत के बढ़ते ऊर्जा क्षेत्र का हिस्सा बनने के लिए आमंत्रित किया और कहा कि यह क्षेत्र 500 अरब अमेरिकी डालर के निवेश के अवसर प्रदान करता है। मोदी ने इसके साथ ही इस यात्रा पर जोर दिया कि देश जल्द ही दुनिया का सबसे बड़ा शोधन (रिफाइनिंग) केंद्र बन जाएगा। भारत ऊर्जा सप्ताह (आईईडब्ल्यू) 2026 को संबोधित करते हुए उन्होंने निवेशकों से शोधन, एलएनजी 'वैल्यू चेन' अवसररचना, सिटी गैस वितरण तथा तेल एवं गैस अन्वेषण जैसे क्षेत्रों में निवेश करने का आह्वान किया।

प्रधानमंत्री ने कहा कि देश का लक्ष्य 2030



**भारत का ऊर्जा क्षेत्र निवेश के अवसर देता है**  
प्रधानमंत्री मोदी ने कहा, ऊर्जा क्षेत्र हमारी आकांक्षाओं का केंद्र है। इसमें 500 अरब अमेरिकी डालर के निवेश के अवसर मौजूद हैं। इसलिए, मेरी अपील है कि भारत में बनाओ, भारत में नबाजार करो, भारत के साथ विस्तार करो, भारत में निवेश करो। उन्होंने बताया कि ऊर्जा क्षेत्र में भारत शीर्ष पांच निर्यातकों में से एक है।

तक तेल एवं गैस क्षेत्र में 100 अरब अमेरिकी डालर का निवेश करना है। तेल शोधन क्षमता को 26 करोड़ टन प्रति वर्ष से बढ़ाकर 30 करोड़ टन प्रति वर्ष किया जाएगा।

मोदी ने कहा, ऊर्जा क्षेत्र हमारी आकांक्षाओं का केंद्र है। इसमें 500 अरब अमेरिकी डालर के निवेश के अवसर मौजूद हैं। इसलिए, मेरी

अपील है कि भारत में बनाओ, भारत में नबाजार करो, भारत के साथ विस्तार करो, भारत में निवेश करो। उन्होंने बताया कि ऊर्जा क्षेत्र में भारत शीर्ष पांच निर्यातकों में से एक है। प्रधानमंत्री ने कहा, ऊर्जा क्षेत्र की यात्रा करें तो ऊर्जा मूल्य श्रृंखला में निवेश के अपार अवसर मौजूद हैं।

## तेल और गैस क्षेत्र में 2030 तक 100 अरब डॉलर के निवेश का लक्ष्य :मोदी

पंजिम / नई दिल्ली, 27 जनवरी (एजेसियां)। प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी ने मंगलवार को कहा कि भारत अपने तेल और गैस क्षेत्र में निवेश को इस दशक के अंत तक 100 अरब डॉलर तक पहुंचाना चाहता है और इसके लिए भागीदारी को प्रोत्साहित कर रहा है। श्री मोदी ने गोवा में आयोजित ऊर्जा क्षेत्र पर भारत के वैश्विक सम्मेलन 'इंडिया एनर्जी वीक' का उद्घाटन करते हुए कहा, 'इस दशक के अंत तक हम ऑयल एवं गैस क्षेत्र में निवेश को 100 अरब डॉलर तक ले जाने का प्रयास कर रहे हैं। हमारा लक्ष्य उत्खनन के दायरे को भी 10 लाख वर्ग किलोमीटर तक विस्तार करने का है।



# देश के ऊर्जा क्षेत्र में निवेश की संभावनाएं बढ़ीं

## अवसर

नई दिल्ली, विशेष संवाददाता। प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी ने कहा है कि भारत में ऊर्जा की मांग लगातार बढ़ रही है। ऊर्जा के क्षेत्र में काफी अवसरों का जिक्र करते हुए उन्होंने कहा कि भारत का ऊर्जा क्षेत्र 500 अरब डॉलर के निवेश के अवसर प्रदान करता है। इसके साथ ही उन्होंने वैश्विक निवेशकों से ऊर्जा के क्षेत्र में निवेश करने का भी आह्वान किया।

भारत ऊर्जा सप्ताह 2026 को संबोधित करते हुए उन्होंने कहा कि भारत का लक्ष्य 2030 तक तेल एवं गैस क्षेत्र में 100 अरब अमेरिकी डॉलर का निवेश करना है। तेल शोधन क्षमता को 26 करोड़ टन प्रति वर्ष से बढ़ाकर 30 करोड़ मिलियन टन प्रति वर्ष किया जाएगा। इसके साथ भारत तेल शोधन में पहले नंबर पर आ जाएगा।

प्रधानमंत्री ने कहा कि भारत हर क्षेत्र

## नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा की हिस्सेदारी एक तिहाई : पुरी

नई दिल्ली, वि.सं.। केंद्रीय पेट्रोलियम मंत्री हरदीप पुरी ने कहा कि पूरी दुनिया में ऊर्जा की बढ़ती मांग का करीब 80 फीसदी हिस्सा उभरती और विकासशील अर्थव्यवस्थाओं का है। इसमें से लगभग 60 प्रतिशत विकासशील एशिया से है। उन्होंने कहा कि जैसे जैसे मोबिलिटी, कूलिंग और डिजिटल सेवाओं की मांग बढ़ेगी, उसी रफ्तार से ऊर्जा की भी मांग बढ़ेगी।

पुरी ने कहा कि पिछले एक दशक में नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा की मांग तेजी से बढ़ी है। वैश्विक बिजली उत्पादन में नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा की हिस्सेदारी पांचवे हिस्से से बढ़कर एक तिहाई हो गई है। इसके बावजूद, पारंपारिक ऊर्जा एक अहम हिस्सेदारी निभा रही है।



में तेजी से सुधार कर रहा है। उन्होंने कहा कि कच्चे तेल के घरेलू उत्पादन को बढ़ाने के लिए सरकार ने कई कदम उठाए हैं। इस मौके पर केंद्रीय पेट्रोलियम मंत्री ने कहा कि ऊर्जा के क्षेत्र में भारत पूरी दुनिया की ऊर्जा क्षेत्र में एक उत्प्रेरक की भूमिका निभा रहा है। इसमें और भी संभावनाएं हैं।

हरदीप पुरी ने कहा कि पूरी दुनिया में ऊर्जा की बढ़ती मांग का करीब 80

फीसदी हिस्सा उभरती और विकासशील अर्थव्यवस्थाओं का है। इसमें से लगभग 60 प्रतिशत विकासशील एशिया से है। उन्होंने कहा कि जैसे जैसे मोबिलिटी, कूलिंग और डिजिटल सेवाओं की मांग बढ़ेगी, उसी रफ्तार से ऊर्जा की भी मांग बढ़ेगी।

केंद्रीय पेट्रोलियम मंत्री ने कहा कि पिछले एक दशक में नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा की मांग तेजी से बढ़ी है। वैश्विक

बिजली उत्पादन में नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा की हिस्सेदारी पांचवे हिस्से से बढ़कर एक तिहाई हो गई है। इसके बावजूद पारंपारिक ऊर्जा एक अहम हिस्सेदारी निभा रही है। ऊर्जा सप्ताह में नई संभावनाओं पर चर्चा होगी।

**कनाडा ने कहा- भारत से व्यापार की जरूरत:** कनाडा के ऊर्जा और प्राकृतिक संसाधन मंत्री टिम हॉजसन ने कहा कि भारत दुनिया के सबसे महत्वपूर्ण ऊर्जा बाजारों में से एक के रूप में उभर रहा है, और उन्होंने इस बात पर जोर दिया कि वैश्विक मांग बढ़ने के साथ कनाडा को भारत के साथ ऊर्जा व्यापार को और गहरा करने की जरूरत है।

इंडिया एनर्जी वीक में भाग लेने आए हॉजसन ने कहा, अगर कनाडा ऊर्जा की महाशक्ति बनना चाहता है, तो हमें अपनी ऊर्जा और प्राकृतिक संसाधनों का व्यापार दुनिया के सबसे बड़े ऊर्जा बाजारों में से एक भारत के साथ करने की जरूरत है।

## भारत ऊर्जा सप्ताह 2026 को किया संबोधित

# भारत का ऊर्जा क्षेत्र 500 अरब अमेरिकी डॉलर के निवेश के अवसर देता है: मोदी

एजेसी ॥ नई दिल्ली

प्रधानमंत्री नरेन्द्र मोदी ने मंगलवार को वैश्विक निवेशकों को भारत के बढ़ते ऊर्जा क्षेत्र का हिस्सा बनने के लिए आमंत्रित किया और कहा कि

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यह क्षेत्र 500 अरब अमेरिकी डॉलर के निवेश के अवसर प्रदान करता है। मोदी ने साथ ही इस बात पर जोर दिया कि देश जल्द ही दुनिया का सबसे बड़ा 'शोधन' केंद्र बन जाएगा। 'भारत ऊर्जा सप्ताह' (आईईडब्ल्यू) 2026 को संबोधित करते हुए उन्होंने निवेशकों से शोधन (रिफाइनिंग), एलएनजी 'वैल्यू चेन' अवसंरचना, सिटी गैस वितरण तथा तेल एवं गैस अन्वेषण जैसे क्षेत्रों में निवेश करने का आह्वान किया। प्रधानमंत्री ने कहा कि देश का लक्ष्य 2030 तक तेल एवं गैस क्षेत्र में 100 अरब अमेरिकी डॉलर का निवेश करना है।

## वैश्विक निवेशकों को भारत का हिस्सा बनने किया आमंत्रित

### ऊर्जा क्षेत्र में भारत शीर्ष पांच निर्यातकों में एक

मोदी ने कहा, "ऊर्जा क्षेत्र हमारी आकांक्षाओं का केंद्र है। इसमें 500 अरब अमेरिकी डॉलर के निवेश के अवसर मौजूद हैं। इसलिए, मेरी अपील है कि भारत में बनाओ, भारत में नवाचार करो, भारत के साथ विस्तार करो, भारत में निवेश करो।" उन्होंने बताया कि ऊर्जा क्षेत्र में भारत शीर्ष पांच निर्यातकों में से एक है।



### अन्वेषण क्षेत्र में आई कमी

मोदी ने अन्वेषण क्षेत्र में किए गए कई सुधारों पर भी चर्चा की और बताया कि प्रतिबंधित क्षेत्रों में उल्लेखनीय कमी आई है। उन्होंने कहा, "आईईडब्ल्यू के पिछले संस्करण में जो भी सुझाव दिए गए थे उनके अनुरूप हमने अपने नियमों में बदलाव किए हैं। यदि आप अन्वेषण क्षेत्र में निवेश करते हैं, तो आपकी कंपनी की लाभप्रदता में निश्चित रूप से वृद्धि होगी।"

### 170 से अधिक ब्लॉक आवंटित

मोदी ने कहा, "हम इस दशक के अंत तक अपने तेल एवं गैस क्षेत्र में निवेश को बढ़ाकर 100 अरब अमेरिकी डॉलर करने का प्रयास कर रहे हैं। हमारा लक्ष्य अन्वेषण के दायरे को 10 लाख वर्ग किलोमीटर तक विस्तारित करना भी है। इसी लक्ष्य को ध्यान में रखते हुए यहां 170 से अधिक ब्लॉक आवंटित किए जा चुके हैं।" उन्होंने कहा कि अंडमान एवं निकोबार बेसिन भी देश की अगली हाइड्रोकार्बन उम्मीद के रूप में उभर रहा है।

### भारत की शोधन क्षमता

#### बहुत अधिक

पीएम ने कहा कि भारत की एक और विशेषता ऊर्जा क्षेत्र में निवेश को अत्यधिक लाभदायक बनाती है। इसकी शोधन क्षमता बहुत अधिक है। शोधन क्षमता के मामले में भारत विश्व में दूसरे स्थान पर है। प्रधानमंत्री ने कहा, जल्द ही हम पहले स्थान पर होंगे। आज भारत की शोधन क्षमता लगभग 26 करोड़ टन प्रति वर्ष (एमटीपीए) है। इसे बढ़ाकर 30 करोड़ टन प्रति वर्ष से अधिक करने के लिए निरंतर प्रयास किए जा रहे हैं।

### भारत में एलएनजी की मांग बढ़ रही

प्रधानमंत्री ने बताया कि भारत में एलएनजी की मांग लगातार बढ़ रही है। भारत ने अपनी कुल ऊर्जा मांग का 15 प्रतिशत एलएनजी से पूरा करने का लक्ष्य रखा है। उन्होंने कहा, "इसलिए, हमें संपूर्ण एलएनजी मूल्य श्रृंखला पर काम करने की आवश्यकता है। भारत परिवहन पर भी बड़े पैमाने पर काम कर रहा है। हम एलएनजी परिवहन के लिए आवश्यक जहाजों का विनिर्माण यहीं भारत में कर रहे हैं।"



इंडिया एनर्जी वीक 2026 में प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी ने दिया 500 अरब डॉलर के निवेश का न्योता

# भारत बनेगा दुनिया का सबसे बड़ा रिफाइनिंग हब : PM

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■ **चेतुल (गोवा) :** प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी ने मंगलवार को 'इंडिया एनर्जी वीक-2026' का उद्घाटन करते हुए दुनियाभर के निवेशकों को भारत के एनर्जी सेक्टर में निवेश के लिए आमंत्रित किया। पीएम ने ऐलान किया कि भारत का एनर्जी सेक्टर इस समय 500 अरब डॉलर (लगभग 41 लाख करोड़ रुपये) के इन्वेस्टमेंट का मैका दे रहा है। उन्होंने भरोसा जताया कि भारत जल्द ही दुनिया का सबसे बड़ा रिफाइनिंग हब बनकर उभरेगा। पीएम ने निवेशकों को 'मेक इन इंडिया' और 'इनेवेट इन इंडिया' का मंत्र दिया। उन्होंने कहा कि भारत अपनी तेल रिफाइनिंग क्षमता को 260 मिलियन टन प्रति वर्ष (MTPA) से बढ़ाकर 300 MTPA करने की दिशा में तेजी से काम कर रहा है। सरकार का लक्ष्य 2030 तक

तेल और गैस क्षेत्र में 100 अरब डॉलर का निवेश आकर्षित करना है। पीएम मोदी ने विशेष रूप से 'समुद्र मंथन' प्रोजेक्ट और गहरे समुद्र में अन्वेषण का जिक्र किया। उन्होंने बताया कि अंडमान और निकोबार बेसिन भारत के लिए हाइड्रोकार्बन की नई डम्मी बनकर उभर रहा है। सरकार ने अन्वेषण के दायरे को 10 लाख वर्ग किलोमीटर तक बढ़ाने का लक्ष्य रखा है।

**LNG और खनिजों की खोज पर जोर :** भारत अपनी कुल ऊर्जा जरूरतों का 15 प्रतिशत हिस्सा प्राकृतिक गैस (LNG) से पूरा करने का लक्ष्य लेकर चल रहा है। इसके लिए पूरे देश में गैस पाइपलाइन नेटवर्क, टर्मिनल और पोर्ट्स का विस्तार किया जा रहा है। पीएम मोदी ने बताया कि जहाजों के निर्माण के लिए 70 हजार करोड़ रुपये का कार्यक्रम शुरू किया गया है, ताकि LNG परिवहन के लिए जरूरी वेल्स का निर्माण भारत में ही हो सके।



## AI, डेटा सेंटरों से बढ़ेगी बिजली खपत

यूएई के मंत्री सुल्तान अल जाबेर ने बताया कि भविष्य में बिजली की खपत बढ़ने का सबसे बड़ा कारण AI और डेटा सेंटरों में होगा। भारत में अगले 15 साल में डेटा सेंटरों की क्षमता 10 गुना बढ़ जाएगी, जिन्हें चलाने के लिए बहुत ज्यादा बिजली चाहिए होगी। बढ़ती गर्मी के कारण दुनियाभर में एयर कंडीशनर (AC) की मांग भी तेजी से बढ़ेगी। अनुमान है कि 2050 तक दुनिया में 5.6 अरब AC होंगे। इस भारी मांग को पूरा करने के लिए एनर्जी सेक्टर में बड़े निवेश की जरूरत है।

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अरब डॉलर से अधिक है  
भारत, UAE का व्यापार

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अरब डॉलर करने का  
लक्ष्य है 2032 तक

## भारत-UAE की साझेदारी अटूट

इस कार्यक्रम में संयुक्त अरब अमीरात (UAE) के उद्योग मंत्री और ADNOC के सीईओ सुल्तान अल जाबेर, पेट्रोलियम मंत्री हरदीप सिंह पुरी और गोवा के सीएम प्रमोद सावंत ने भी शिरकत की। सुल्तान अल जाबेर ने भारत को वैश्विक ऊर्जा मांग का 'निर्णायक चालक' (Decisive Driver) बताया। उन्होंने कहा कि भारत और UAE के बीच व्यापार 100 अरब डॉलर को पार कर गया है और इसे 2032 तक 200 अरब डॉलर करने का लक्ष्य है। अल जाबेर ने कहा कि भारत में अगले 15 वर्षों में हवाई यात्रा में 150% का इजाफा होगा और शहरों की आबादी 100 करोड़ तक पहुंच जाएगी। उन्होंने साफ किया कि भारत के रिफाइनिंग और ऊर्जा लक्ष्यों को पूरा करने में UAE एक भरोसेमंद भागीदार बना रहेगा।



## ऊर्जा क्षेत्र में अपार संभावनाएं, 500 अरब डॉलर के निवेश के अवसर मौजूद : मोदी

### प्रधानमंत्री ने किया भारत ऊर्जा सप्ताह 2026 का उद्घाटन बोले-अब सुरक्षा ऊर्जा स्वतंत्रता की ओर तेजी से बढ़ रहा देश

नई दिल्ली। प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी ने कहा कि भारत में ऊर्जा क्षेत्र में अपार संभावनाएं हैं। भारत अब ऊर्जा सुरक्षा से आगे बढ़कर ऊर्जा स्वतंत्रता मिशन की ओर बढ़ रहा है। भारत एक ऐसा ऊर्जा क्षेत्र परितंत्र विकसित कर रहा है जो स्थानीय मांग को पूरा करने में सक्षम है और किफायती शोधन तथा परिवहन समाधानों के माध्यम से निर्यात को विश्व के लिए अत्यधिक प्रतिस्पर्धी बना रहा है। प्रधानमंत्री ने इस बात पर जोर दिया कि भारत का ऊर्जा क्षेत्र राष्ट्र की आकांक्षाओं के केंद्र में है और इसमें 500 अरब डॉलर के निवेश के अवसर मौजूद हैं।

प्रधानमंत्री मंगलवार को गोवा में चल रहे भारत ऊर्जा सप्ताह 2026 के उद्घाटन समारोह को वीडियो कॉन्फ्रेंसिंग के जरिये संबोधित कर रहे थे। इस मौके पर उन्होंने वैश्विक समुदाय को भारत में बनाओ, भारत में नवाचार करो, भारत के साथ विकास करो, भारत में निवेश करो का संदेश दिया। प्रधानमंत्री ने अपने संबोधन की शुरुआत में ही भारत और यूरोपीय संघ के बीच व्यापार समझौते का जिक्र किया। उन्होंने कहा कि यह समझौता वैश्विक जीडीपी के लगभग 25 प्रतिशत और वैश्विक व्यापार के लगभग एक तिहाई हिस्से से जुड़ा है। यह लोकतंत्र और कानून के शासन के प्रति साझा प्रतिबद्धता को भी मजबूत करता है।



#### एलएनजी से 15 फीसदी मांग पूरी करने का लक्ष्य

प्रधानमंत्री ने इस पर जोर दिया कि देश में एलएनजी की मांग लगातार बढ़ रही है और देश ने अपनी कुल ऊर्जा मांग का 15 प्रतिशत एलएनजी से पूरा करने का लक्ष्य रखा है। उन्होंने बताया कि हाल ही में शुरू किए गए सत्तर हजार करोड़ रुपये के जहाज निर्माण कार्यक्रम के समर्थन से भारत एलएनजी परिवहन के लिए आवश्यक जहाजों का निर्माण घरेलू स्तर पर कर रहा है। भारतीय बंदरगाहों पर एलएनजी टर्मिनल के निर्माण के साथ-साथ पुनर्गैसीकरण परियोजनाओं में भी निवेश के अनेक अवसर उत्पन्न हुए हैं।

#### व्यापक ऊर्जा अवसंरचना की आवश्यकता से बढ़ेंगे मौके...

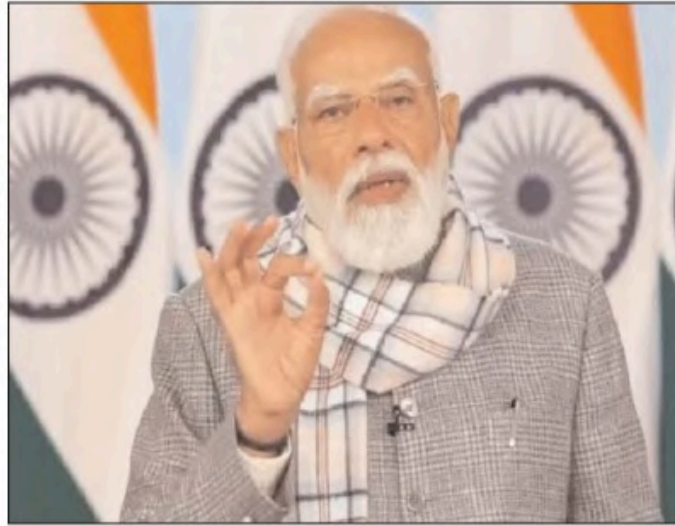
प्रधानमंत्री ने बताया कि शहरी गैस वितरण नेटवर्क पहले ही कई भारतीय शहरों तक पहुंच चुके हैं और अन्य शहरों में तेजी से विस्तार कर रहे हैं, जिससे यह क्षेत्र निवेश के लिए अत्यधिक आकर्षक बन गया है। भारत की विशाल जनसंख्या और लगातार बढ़ती अर्थव्यवस्था के कारण पेट्रोकेमिकल उत्पादों की मांग में वृद्धि जारी रहेगी, जिसके लिए व्यापक ऊर्जा अवसंरचना की आवश्यकता होगी।

पीएम मोदी ने कहा कि यूरोपीय संघ के साथ मुक्त व्यापार समझौता ब्रिटेन और ईएफटीए के साथ हुए समझौतों का पूरक होगा, जिससे व्यापार और वैश्विक आपूर्ति शृंखला दोनों को मजबूती मिलेगी। यूरो

## भारत का ऊर्जा क्षेत्र 500 अरब अमेरिकी डॉलर के निवेश के अवसर देता है: प्रधानमंत्री मोदी

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प्रधानमंत्री नरेन्द्र मोदी ने मंगलवार को वैश्विक निवेशकों को भारत के बढ़ते ऊर्जा क्षेत्र का हिस्सा बनने के लिए आमंत्रित किया और कहा कि यह क्षेत्र 500 अरब अमेरिकी डॉलर के निवेश के अवसर प्रदान करता है। मोदी ने साथ ही इस बात पर जोर दिया कि देश जल्द ही दुनिया का सबसे बड़ा शोधन केंद्र बन जाएगा। भारत ऊर्जा सप्ताह (आईईडब्ल्यू) 2026 को संबोधित करते हुए उन्होंने निवेशकों से शोधन (रिफाइनिंग), एलएनजी वैल्यू चेन अवसंरचना, सिटी गैस वितरण तथा तेल एवं गैस अन्वेषण जैसे क्षेत्रों में निवेश करने का आह्वान किया। प्रधानमंत्री ने कहा कि देश का लक्ष्य 2030 तक तेल एवं गैस क्षेत्र में 100 अरब अमेरिकी डॉलर का निवेश करना है। तेल शोधन क्षमता को 26 करोड़ टन प्रति वर्ष से बढ़ाकर 30 करोड़ टन प्रति वर्ष किया जाएगा। मोदी ने कहा, ऊर्जा क्षेत्र हमारी आकांक्षाओं का केंद्र है। इसमें 500 अरब अमेरिकी डॉलर के निवेश के अवसर मौजूद हैं। इसलिए, मेरी अपील है कि भारत में बनाओ, भारत में नवाचार करो, भारत के साथ विस्तार करो, भारत में निवेश करो। उन्होंने बताया कि ऊर्जा क्षेत्र में भारत शीर्ष पांच निर्यातकों में से एक है।



प्रधानमंत्री ने कहा, ऊर्जा क्षेत्र की बात करें तो ऊर्जा मूल्य श्रृंखला में निवेश के अपार अवसर मौजूद हैं। उदाहरण के लिए, अन्वेषण क्षेत्र को ही देखें। भारत ने इसे काफी हद तक खोल दिया है।

उन्होंने कहा, आप हमारे गहरे समुद्र में अन्वेषण प्रयासों, समुद्र मंथन परियोजना से भी अवगत हैं। मोदी ने कहा, हम इस दशक के अंत तक अपने तेल एवं गैस क्षेत्र में निवेश को बढ़ाकर 100 अरब अमेरिकी डॉलर करने का प्रयास कर रहे हैं। हमारा लक्ष्य अन्वेषण के दायरे को 10 लाख वर्ग किलोमीटर तक विस्तारित करना भी है। इसी लक्ष्य को ध्यान में रखते हुए यहां 170 से अधिक ब्लॉक

आवंटित किए जा चुके हैं। उन्होंने कहा कि अंडमान एवं निकोबार बेसिन भी देश की अगली हाइड्रोकार्बन उम्मीद के रूप में उभर रहा है। मोदी ने अन्वेषण क्षेत्र में किए गए कई सुधारों पर भी चर्चा की और बताया कि प्रतिबंधित क्षेत्रों में उल्लेखनीय कमी आई है। उन्होंने कहा, आईईडब्ल्यू के पिछले संस्करण में जो भी सुझाव दिए गए थे उनके अनुरूप हमने अपने नियमों में बदलाव किए हैं। यदि आप अन्वेषण क्षेत्र में निवेश करते हैं, तो आपकी कंपनी की लाभप्रदता में निश्चित रूप से वृद्धि होगी। उन्होंने कहा कि भारत की एक और विशेषता ऊर्जा क्षेत्र में निवेश को अत्यधिक लाभदायक बनाती है।



# ऊर्जा क्षेत्र में 500 अरब डॉलर तक निवेश के अवसर

पीएम मोदी ने किया **मेक इन इंडिया, इनोवेट इन इंडिया, स्केल विद इंडिया, इंवेस्ट इन इंडिया** का आह्वान

गोवा, सुरेन्द्र पंडित (पंजाब केसरी):

गोवा में मंगलवार को चार दिवसीय इंडिया एनर्जी वीक-2026 की शुरुआत प्रधानमंत्री नरेन्द्र मोदी के अभिभाषण के साथ हो गई। प्रधानमंत्री मोदी ने वीडियो कॉन्फ्रेंसिंग के माध्यम से इस इंडिया एनर्जी वीक के इस चौथे संस्करण का उद्घाटन किया। इस अवसर पर उन्होंने कहा कि भारत का ऊर्जा क्षेत्र देश की आकांक्षाओं के केंद्र में है और इसमें 500 अरब डॉलर तक के निवेश के अवसर मौजूद हैं। प्रधानमंत्री ने वैश्विक निवेशकों को "मेक इन इंडिया, इनोवेट इन इंडिया, स्केल विद इंडिया और इंवेस्ट इन इंडिया" का आह्वान किया। प्रधानमंत्री मोदी ने कहा कि सरकार ने इस दशक के अंत तक तेल और गैस क्षेत्र में 100 अरब अमेरिकी डॉलर के निवेश का लक्ष्य रखा है। उन्होंने जोर देते हुए कहा कि ऊर्जा सुरक्षा और सतत भविष्य के लिए भारत वैश्विक साझेदारियों का स्वागत करता है। इंडिया एनर्जी वीक के इस नए संस्करण में गोवा में दुनिया के करीब सवा सौ देशों के प्रतिनिधि एकत्र हुए हैं। प्रधानमंत्री ने सभी अंतरराष्ट्रीय प्रतिनिधियों का



स्वागत करते हुए कहा कि भारत ऊर्जा क्षेत्र में संवाद और टोस कार्रवाई के लिए एक महत्वपूर्ण वैश्विक मंच के रूप में तेजी से उभरा है। प्रधानमंत्री ने कहा कि भारत दुनिया की सबसे तेजी से बढ़ती प्रमुख अर्थव्यवस्था है और ऊर्जा उत्पादों की मांग लगातार बढ़ रही है। साथ ही, भारत वैश्विक ऊर्जा जरूरतों को पूरा करने के लिए बेहतरीन अवसर प्रदान करता है। उन्होंने बताया कि भारत आज पेट्रोलियम उत्पादों के शीर्ष निर्यातकों में शामिल है और 150 से अधिक देशों तक निर्यात करता है, जिससे भारत एक

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● भारत आज पेट्रोलियम उत्पादों के शीर्ष निर्यातकों में शामिल है और 150 से अधिक देशों को निर्यात करता है



भरोसेमंद ऊर्जा साझेदार के रूप में स्थापित हुआ है। भारत-यूरोपीय संघ के बीच सोमवार को ही में हुए मुक्त व्यापार समझौते का उल्लेख करते हुए प्रधानमंत्री ने कहा कि इसे दुनिया में 'मदर ऑफ ऑल डील' कहा जा रहा है। यह समझौता भारत और यूरोप के करोड़ों लोगों के लिए नए अवसर खोलेगा और दो बड़ी अर्थव्यवस्थाओं के बीच तालमेल का सशक्त उदाहरण है। उन्होंने कहा कि यह समझौता वैश्विक जीडीपी के लगभग 25 प्रतिशत और वैश्विक व्यापार के करीब एक-तिहाई हिस्से का प्रतिनिधित्व करता

है तथा लोकतंत्र और कानून के शासन के प्रति साझा प्रतिबद्धता को भी मजबूत करता है। प्रधानमंत्री मोदी ने भारत की रिफाइनिंग क्षमता पर प्रकाश डालते हुए कहा कि भारत इस समय दुनिया में दूसरे स्थान पर है और शीघ्र ही पहले स्थान पर पहुंचने की दिशा में अग्रसर है। वर्तमान में देश की रिफाइनिंग क्षमता करीब 260 एमएमटीपीए है, जिसे 300 एमएमटीपीए तक बढ़ाने के प्रयास जारी हैं। उन्होंने कहा कि यह निवेशकों के लिए एक बड़ा लाभ और अवसर है।



## वैश्विक ऊर्जा मंच: भारत का शक्ति प्रदर्शन, 2047 तक 100 गीगावाट परमाणु बिजली से रोशन होगा देश

सुरेंद्र पंडित

गोवा, (पंजाब केसरी): ग्लोबल एनर्जी ट्रांजिशन में निवेश, पार्टनरशिप और एक्शन के आह्वान के साथ मंगलवार को गोवा में इंडिया एनर्जी वीक-2026 की शुरुआत हुई। इस अवसर पर केंद्रीय पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री हरदीप सिंह पुरी, संयुक्त अरब अमीरात के उद्योग और उन्नत प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री और एडीएनओसी के मैनेजिंग डायरेक्टर और ग्रुप सीईओ सुल्तान अहमद अल जाबेर और गोवा के मुख्यमंत्री प्रमोद

सावंत उपस्थित रहे। इंडिया एनर्जी वीक के चौथे संस्करण के उद्घाटन सत्र में केंद्रीय पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री हरदीप सिंह पुरी ने वैश्विक ऊर्जा जगत का स्वागत किया। उन्होंने अपने संबोधन में इस बात पर जोर दिया कि यह प्लेटफॉर्म अब ऊर्जा संवाद के लिए दुनिया के सबसे महत्वपूर्ण मंचों में से एक बन चुका है। पुरी ने बताया कि इस वर्ष भागीदारी में रिकॉर्ड 36 फोसदी की वृद्धि हुई है, जिसमें 75,000 से अधिक ऊर्जा पेशेवर और 120 से अधिक देशों के प्रतिनिधि हिस्सा ले रहे हैं।



कार्यक्रम में मंच पर केंद्रीय पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री हरदीप सिंह पुरी, संयुक्त अरब अमीरात के उद्योग और उन्नत प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री और एडीएनओसी के मैनेजिंग डायरेक्टर और ग्रुप सीईओ सुल्तान अहमद अल जाबेर व गोवा के सीएम प्रमोद सावंत।

### नए भारत का नया सिलेंडर लॉन्च

गोवा में आयोजित इंडिया एनर्जी वीक के चौथे संस्करण के पहले दिन केंद्रीय पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री हरदीप सिंह पुरी ने भारत लाइट नाम से कम्पोजिट सिलेंडर लॉन्च किया। उन्होंने इसे नए भारत का नया सिलेंडर बताया। बता दें कि यह आधुनिक और सुरक्षित कम्पोजिट सिलेंडर पारंपरिक स्टील सिलेंडरों की तुलना में हल्के,



जंग-मुक्त और पारदर्शी होते हैं, जिससे गैस का स्तर आसानी से देखा जा सकता है। यह नया सिलेंडर पांच किलो और 10 किलो के वेरिएंट में उपलब्ध है। ये जंग-मुक्त होते हैं और इन्हें आधुनिक रसोई के लिए डिजाइन किया गया है।

### भारत दुनिया का तीसरा सबसे बड़ा ऊर्जा उपभोक्ता...

भविष्य की ऊर्जा सुरक्षा के लिए मंत्री पुरी ने घोषणा की कि भारत ने साल 2047 तक 100 गीगावाट परमाणु क्षमता हासिल करने का महत्वाकांक्षी लक्ष्य रखा है, जिसके लिए 'शांति' जैसा आधुनिक कानूनी ढांचा तैयार किया गया है। साथ ही उन्होंने देश के जहाज निर्माण क्षेत्र को बढ़ावा देने के लिए आठ बिलियन डॉलर के सरकारी पैकेज का जिक्र किया। उन्होंने बताया कि तेल और गैस व्यापार के लिए भारत को जल्द ही करीब 60 नए जहाजों की आवश्यकता होगी, जो निवेशकों के लिए पांच बिलियन डॉलर के अवसर पैदा करता है। हरदीप सिंह पुरी ने कहा कि भारत अब दुनिया का तीसरा सबसे बड़ा ऊर्जा उपभोक्ता है और 2050 तक वैश्विक ऊर्जा मांग में भारत की हिस्सेदारी बढ़कर करीब 10 प्रतिशत हो जाएगी। भारत न केवल अपनी प्रगति के लिए काम कर रहा है, बल्कि दुनियाभर के साझेदारों के साथ मिलकर एक सुरक्षित, लचीला और समावेशी ऊर्जा भविष्य बनाने के लिए पूरी तरह तैयार है।

### आम नागरिकों को राहत भारत सरकार की प्राथमिकता...

मंत्री हरदीप सिंह पुरी ने वैश्विक ऊर्जा परिदृश्य पर चर्चा करते हुए कहा कि वर्तमान में दुनिया की बढ़ती ऊर्जा मांग का करीब 60 प्रतिशत हिस्सा विकासशील एशिया से आ रहा है। उन्होंने एक महत्वपूर्ण सिद्धांत पेश किया कि ऊर्जा का भविष्य केवल पुराने स्रोतों को बदलने के बारे में नहीं, बल्कि नए स्रोतों को 'जोड़ने' के बारे में है। पुरी ने कहा कि जब तक नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा पूरी तरह स्थापित नहीं हो जाती, तब तक पारंपरिक ऊर्जा स्रोत वैश्विक अर्थव्यवस्था की मजबूती के लिए अनिवार्य बने रहेंगे। आम आदमी को ईंधन की कीमतों से राहत भारत सरकार की उपलब्धियों को साझा करते हुए पुरी ने बताया कि वैश्विक उथल-पुथल के बावजूद भारत ने अपने नागरिकों को ईंधन की कीमतों के झटकों से बचाए रखा है। उन्होंने जानकारी दी कि दिल्ली में 2025 में ईंधन की कीमतें 2021 के मुकाबले भी कम रही। इसके अलावा उज्ज्वला योजना के 10 करोड़ से अधिक लाभार्थियों के लिए एलपीजी की कीमतें दुनिया में सबसे कम दरों में से एक (करीब 5.5-6 डॉलर प्रति सिलेंडर) पर स्थिर रखी गई हैं। भारत ने इथेनॉल सम्मिश्रण में भी 20 प्रतिशत का लक्ष्य हासिल कर लिया है, जिससे भारी मात्रा में विदेशी मुद्रा की बचत हुई है।

### ऊर्जा के क्षेत्र में सहयोग पर भारत व कनाडा के बीच द्विपक्षीय बैठक...

गोवा में आयोजित इंडिया एनर्जी वीक 2026 के तहत मंगलवार को पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय और कनाडा के ऊर्जा और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री हरदीप सिंह पुरी और कनाडा के ऊर्जा और प्राकृतिक संसाधन मंत्रालय के बीच संयुक्त बयान पर हस्ताक्षर किए गए। इस अवसर पर पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री हरदीप सिंह पुरी और कनाडा के ऊर्जा और प्राकृतिक संसाधन मंत्री, टिमोथी हॉजसन के बीच एक द्विपक्षीय बैठक हुई और नए सिरे से भारत-कनाडा मंत्रिस्तरीय ऊर्जा संवाद शुरू किया। इस बैठक के दौरान, मंत्रियों ने इस बात की पुष्टि की कि ऊर्जा सुरक्षा और आपूर्ति में विविधता दोनों देशों की सुरक्षा, भलाई और आर्थिक जीवन शक्ति के लिए बहुत महत्वपूर्ण है।

