



India Is a Key Driver of the Global Renewable Energy Surge; Records Highest-Ever 31.25 GW Non-Fossil Addition in FY 25-26 : Union Minister Pralhad Joshi

Odisha to Get 1.5 Lakh Rooftop Solar Units Under New Utility-Led Aggregation (ULA) Model, Empowering 7-8 Lakh Citizens: Union Minister Joshi

Union Minister Pralhad Joshi Addresses Global Energy Leaders' Summit in Puri

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Highlighting India's historic clean energy expansion, Union Minister of New and Renewable Energy Shri Pralhad Joshi said that India has recorded its highest-ever addition of non-fossil capacity in the current financial year at 31.25 GW, including 24.28 GW of solar. Speaking at the Global Energy Leaders' Summit 2025 in Puri, Odisha, the Minister also announced a 1.5 lakh rooftop solar ULA model for Odisha, designed to benefit and empower 7-8 lakh people across the State.

Speaking at the Global Energy Leaders' Summit 2025 in Puri, in the presence of CM Shri @MohanMOdisha ji and Deputy CM Shri @KVSinghDeo1 ji, highlighted India's historic clean energy expansion. Underscored the country's remarkable solar capacity growth, which surged from 2.8 GW... pic.twitter.com/xEQUEYHFwv

— Pralhad Joshi (@JoshiPralhad) December 6, 2025

After taking nearly 70 years to reach 1 TW of renewable energy capacity in 2022, the world achieved 2 TW by 2024, adding the second terawatt in just two years, the Minister said. India is a key driver of this explosive global surge in renewable energy. In the last 11 years, the country's solar capacity has grown from 2.8 GW to around 130 GW, a rise of more than 4,500%. Between 2022 and 2024 alone, India contributed 46 GW to global solar additions, becoming the third-largest contributor.

The Minister noted that India holds the world's fifth-largest coal reserves and is the second-largest consumer of coal. He said that even with this abundance, India is steadily balancing coal with renewable energy as the transition gathers pace. With global mechanisms now shaping industrial competitiveness, he said India's shift towards renewable energy has become even more urgent and strategically important.

Odisha Advances in Renewable Energy Adoption

Highlighting major new initiatives for Odisha, the Minister announced the approval of a consumer-owned Utility-Led Aggregation (ULA) model under PM Surya Ghar for installing 1.5 lakh rooftop solar systems of 1 kW each in the State. This will benefit nearly 7-8 lakhs of people, especially from economically weaker households in Odisha.

The Minister noted that Odisha is already demonstrating strong clean energy adoption. With over 3.1 GW of installed renewable capacity, clean energy now accounts for more than 34 percent of the State's total installed power capacity. Under PM Surya Ghar Yojana, 1.6 lakh households have applied for rooftop solar, over 23,000 installations have been completed, and more than 19,200 families have received subsidies exceeding ₹147 crore directly into their bank accounts.

Shri Joshi underscored that the overall ecosystem created by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, ease of doing business, investor confidence, infrastructure, demand-driven schemes and strong Centre-State cooperation, has driven India's renewable energy expansion.

The Minister expressed confidence that the coming years will belong to Odisha, praising the strong leadership of Chief Minister Shri Mohan Charan Majhi, Deputy Chief Minister Shri Kanak Vardhan Singh Deo and the people of the State for advancing renewable energy and green technology.

About the Global Energy Leaders' Summit (GELS) 2025

The Global Energy Leaders' Summit (GELS) in Puri marks the first step in building a vibrant **Community of Practice** that brings together policymakers, innovators and industry leaders to accelerate India's clean energy transition. Being held from **5-7 December 2025**, GELS Puri 2025 will host Union and State Energy Ministers alongside global energy leaders, innovators and industry titans for an immersive summit focused on shaping the future of energy.

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