

India Energy Week 2026 to Bring Global Energy Leadership Together in Goa: Shri Hardeep S Puri

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India Energy Week (IEW) 2026, to be held from 27–30 January 2026 at ONGC ATI, Goa, will bring together global energy ministers, industry leaders, policymakers, financial institutions, academia and technology providers at a defining moment for the global energy sector, Union Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas Shri Hardeep Singh Puri said while addressing the Curtain Raiser Press Conference on IEW 2026 today. Describing IEW as the first major international energy event of the year, the Minister said the platform will focus on strengthening energy security, catalysing investment and advancing practical decarbonisation pathways.



Highlighting the growing global stature of the event, Shri Puri noted that India Energy Week has expanded significantly year-on-year since its inception. While the inaugural edition in 2023 witnessed participation of around 30,000 delegates and 316 exhibitors, the event grew to over 45,000 participants in 2024 and 68,000 participants in 2025. **IEW 2026 is expected to be the largest edition so far, with over 75,000 delegates, more than 600 exhibitors, including 180 international exhibitors, over 500 global speakers and 120+ conference sessions.** The Minister underlined that the scale and diversity of participation reflects India's rising leadership role in shaping the global energy dialogue.

Shri Puri informed that **17 Ministers and Deputy Ministers** from countries including UAE, Canada, Netherlands, Oman, Brunei, Myanmar, Tanzania and others have confirmed their participation, along with international organisations such as the International Energy Forum, BIMSTEC and the Eurasian Economic Union. He said the exhibition will be organised across 11 thematic zones hosted by leading public sector

undertakings, covering areas such as digitalisation and AI, hydrogen, renewable energy, petrochemicals, biofuels, LNG ecosystem, city gas distribution, Make in India and net-zero solutions, with new additions including a Nuclear Energy Zone and a Sustainable Aviation Fuel Zone.



Referring to the strategic conference programme, the Minister said IEW 2026 will be structured around **10 strategic themes** reflecting global priorities and India's evolving leadership role. He said the conference will feature **four ministerial sessions**, including the inaugural session bringing together energy ministers and senior policymakers, along with **47 leadership and spotlight panel discussions** involving global industry leaders and experts. In addition, five Energy Talks will be held as one-on-one conversations with senior global energy leaders, focusing on technology, markets and sustainability.

Emphasising the Government's focus on indigenisation, Shri Puri said a dedicated Make in India and Indigenisation Pavilion led by Engineers India Limited will promote collaboration with MSMEs, vendors and start-ups, supporting the vision of Atmanirbhar Bharat through localisation of critical equipment. He added that the Pavilion will also host daily Energy Talks highlighting technology-led transformation and sustainability, while 11 country pavilions including Japan, the US, Germany, the UK, Netherlands, Norway, Canada, Russia and China will further strengthen international engagement.

Shri Puri stated that India Energy Week 2026 will serve as a platform for concrete business outcomes, with several major agreements and memoranda of understanding proposed to be signed during the event. These include shipbuilding contracts involving ONGC, Mitsui O.S.K. Lines of Japan and Samsung Heavy Industries of South Korea; a term contract between BPCL and Petrobras for supply of Brazilian crude oil; collaboration agreements between BPRL and Shell for global upstream opportunities; MoUs involving OIL, NRL and TotalEnergies for LNG sourcing; and a collaboration between NRL and TotalEnergies for setting up a 200 KTPA Sustainable Aviation Fuel project at Paradip, Odisha.

Highlighting the importance of high-level engagement, the Minister said a series of key side events and roundtables will be organised alongside the main conference. These include the **9th Prime Minister's Roundtable, where the Hon'ble Prime Minister will interact with global CEOs, Indian public sector undertakings and private sector leaders, including senior executives from leading global energy and technology companies.** He said this flagship engagement underscores India's commitment to fostering strategic partnerships and investment-led growth in the energy sector.

Shri Puri further informed that other major side events will include the India-Arab Energy Dialogue, to be co-chaired by the Hon'ble Minister with the International Energy Forum; the India-Japan Energy Roundtable as a follow-up to the Tokyo session; India-Iceland Roundtable focusing on geothermal energy and carbon capture, utilisation and storage; India-Netherlands Energy Roundtable; and roundtables with USIBC and USISPF aimed at strengthening India-US trade and investment ties in the energy sector.

The Minister said that IEW 2026 will also place strong emphasis on innovation and start-up participation through initiatives such as **Avinya 2026** – the Startup Challenge, **Vasudha 3.0** with global participation, and the **Hackathon Challenge 2026** involving IITs and focused on critical energy sector challenges including AI-based exploration, energy efficiency, hydrogen economy and circular economy.

Shri Puri added that several important knowledge products will be launched during the event, including a white paper on Biofuels Financing and a Sustainable Aviation Fuel microsite, along with the release of the India Bioenergy Outlook 2030 by IEA and PPAC. He said these knowledge initiatives will support informed policymaking and investment decisions in emerging energy sectors.

Concluding, the Minister said India Energy Week 2026 reflects India's commitment to balancing energy security, economic growth and sustainability, while positioning the country as a key global energy hub and a credible voice in the global energy transition.

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