



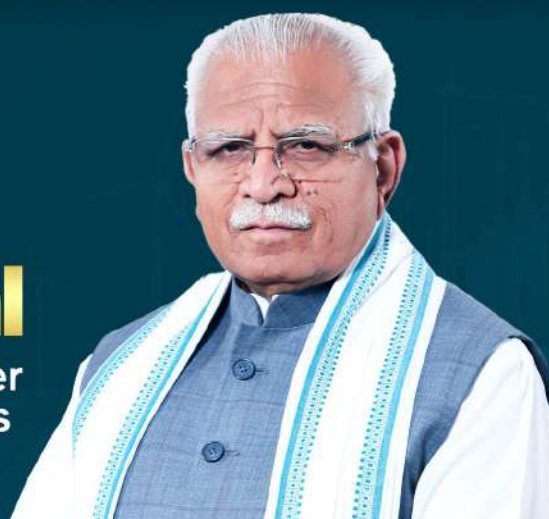
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Shri Manohar Lal

Hon'ble Union Minister of Power
and Housing & Urban Affairs



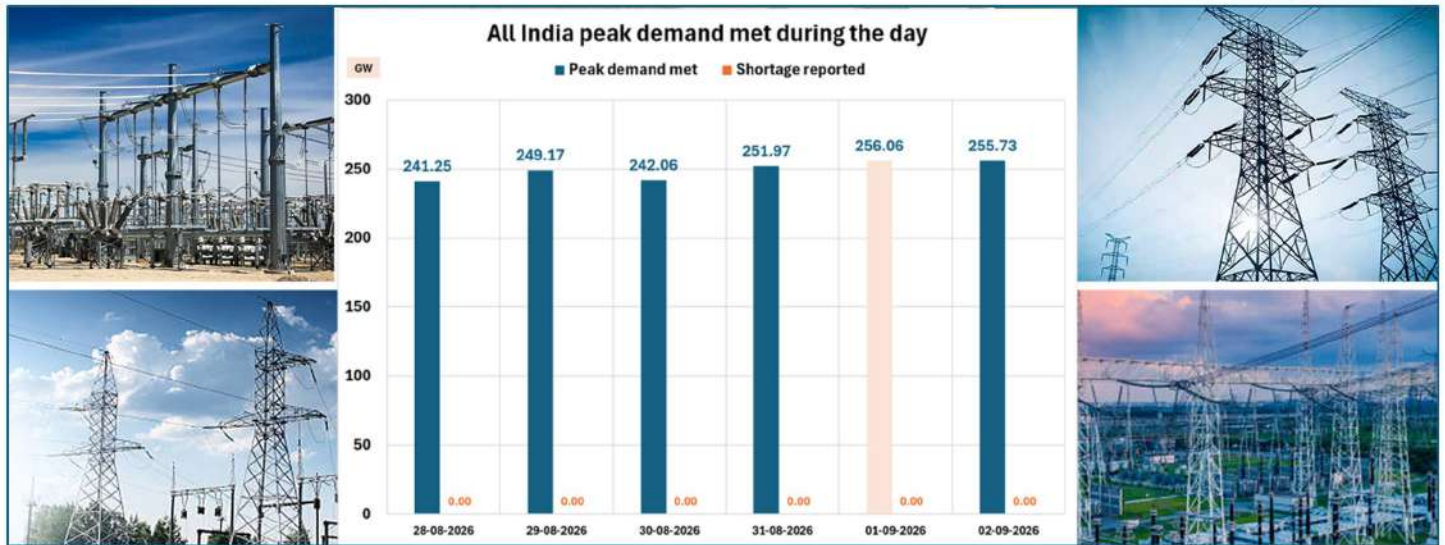


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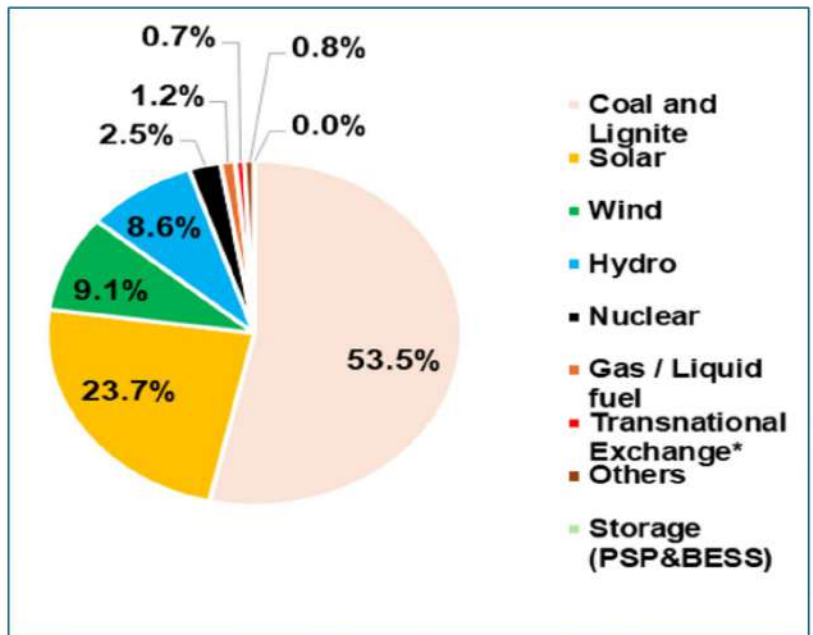
Peak Demand of 256.1 GW Met with Zero Shortage

The chart below presents the daily peak demand met and power shortage reported from 28 August to 2 September 2026.



Generation Mix at the time of Peak

Generation source	Generation (GW)	Share of Total generation (%)
Gas / Liquid fuel	3.0	1.2%
Hydro	22.2	8.6%
Nuclear	6.5	2.5%
Coal and Lignite	138.2	53.5%
Wind	23.5	9.1%
Solar	61.2	23.7%
Storage (PSP&BESS)	0.0	0.0%
Others	2.0	0.8%
Transnational Exchange*	1.8	0.7%
TOTAL	258	100.0%



All-India peak demand met and energy consumption grew by 18.6% and 20.4%, respectively, compared with the corresponding period of the previous year.

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Union Minister Manohar Lal and German Federal Minister Carsten Schneider Discuss Cooperation on Energy Security, Low-Carbon Development and Carbon Markets

Union Minister of Power and Housing & Urban Affairs, Shri Manohar Lal, held a bilateral meeting with the German Federal Minister for the Environment, Climate Action, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety, Mr. Carsten Schneider, in New Delhi.



The meeting focused on strengthening India-Germany cooperation in the areas of energy security, electrification, low-carbon development and carbon markets.

The two sides exchanged views on ongoing initiatives and explored avenues to deepen collaboration in these areas, building on the strong momentum in India-Germany relations, which recently marked 75 years of diplomatic relations and 25 years of Strategic Partnership.

Both Ministers agreed that energy security, low-carbon development and carbon markets are deeply inter-linked, and that cooperation across these areas can be mutually reinforcing. They reaffirmed their shared commitment to advancing a secure, affordable and sustainable energy future and looked forward to continued engagement in the months ahead.

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Union Minister Manohar Lal Chairs Hindi Advisory Committee Meeting, Honours Efforts to Promote Official Language

Union Minister of Power and Housing & Urban Affairs, Shri Manohar Lal, chaired a meeting of the Hindi Advisory Committee of the Ministry of Power in New Delhi. The meeting was attended by Minister of State for Power, Shri Shripad Yesso Naik, Secretary (Power), and other officials of the Ministry.



While reviewing the use of Hindi within the Ministry, the Hon'ble Minister invited suggestions for its wider propagation, leading to a meaningful discussion. He emphasised the increased use of Hindi in meetings, the use of Hindi terms instead of commonly used English words, and the practice of signing in Hindi.

Addressing the meeting, Shri Manohar Lal stated that Hindi is not merely the Official Language of our nation but also a primary medium of expression for the common people. It is a symbol of our culture, tradition, and unity. He also stressed the need to adopt Hindi as a medium of mutual communication to foster national unity. Expressing his satisfaction, the Power Minister noted that the Ministry and its subordinate undertakings/institutions have adhered to the Official Language policy with great seriousness and diligence.

Those who had made commendable contributions to promoting the use of Hindi as the Official Language were honoured with the Ministry of Power's Official Language Shield for the years 2024-25 and 2025-26.



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Union Minister Manohar Lal Reviews Key Sectoral Issues, Including CAFE-III Norms and Transmission Connectivity

Union Minister of Power and Housing & Urban Affairs, Shri Manohar Lal, held a series of meetings with senior officials of the Ministry of Power to review key sectoral issues, including CAFE-III norms and the prioritisation of transmission connectivity applications.



The Minister was apprised of the extensive stakeholder consultations undertaken on CAFE-III norms, aimed at encouraging greater adoption of fuel-efficient and cleaner technologies, including EVs, hybrids and flex-fuel vehicles, while progressively reducing the carbon footprint of the passenger vehicle sector.

Discussions also focused on the optimal utilisation of transmission capacity as India rapidly expands its renewable energy capacity. The need to align grid connectivity with genuine project readiness, while maintaining a predictable framework that facilitates investment and ensures the timely and efficient utilisation of this valuable national resource, was emphasised.



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MoS Shripad Naik Reviews Public Grievance Redressal, Stresses Accountability and Citizen Satisfaction

Minister of State for Power and New & Renewable Energy, Shri Shripad Naik, chaired a review meeting to assess progress towards the timely disposal and qualitative redressal of public grievances. The meeting was attended by the Secretary (Power), senior officers, nominated Review Officers and Grievance Redressal Officers (GROs) of the Ministry of Power, its PSUs and subordinate offices.

During the meeting, the Minister emphasised the need for greater due diligence and accountability in the disposal of grievances, with utmost emphasis on enhancing the satisfaction of grievance petitioners. He also stressed the need to undertake root-cause analysis of repetitive grievances and take systematic corrective action to bring about sustained improvements.



The Minister further emphasised the importance of empathy on the part of GROs while addressing public grievances. The meeting reaffirmed the commitment of the Ministry of Power and its organisations to strengthening a responsive, efficient and citizen-centric public grievance redressal system.



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NTPC Features in TIME India's Best Employers 2026 List, Wins Thermal Generation Company of the Year Award



NTPC has been featured in the prestigious TIME India's Best Employers 2026 list, published by TIME in collaboration with Statista, a global authority on market and consumer data and rankings.

This recognition reflects NTPC's strong employee-centric culture, progressive people practices, and unwavering commitment to its philosophy of "People before PLF (Plant Load Factor)," reinforcing its position as one of India's most respected and preferred employers.

Adding to these accolades, NTPC received the Thermal Generation Company of the Year Award at the Bharat Electricity Leadership Honours, held as part of the 3rd edition of Bharat Electricity, POWERGEN India & Indian Utility Week 2026 on 1 September in New Delhi.

The award was presented by the Minister of State for Power and New & Renewable Energy, Shripad Naik.

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EESL Signs MoUs with PNGRB and AIESL for Smart PNG Metering and Solar Rooftop Deployment



Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL) has signed Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) with the Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) and AI Engineering Services Limited (AIESL) to facilitate the large-scale deployment of Smart Domestic PNG Meters across the City Gas Distribution (CGD) sector and implement solar rooftop systems over hangars at key locations.

Under the MoU with PNGRB, EESL will facilitate demand aggregation and enable the large-scale deployment of Smart Domestic PNG Meters across the CGD sector on a pan-India basis. The MoU aims to establish a structured ecosystem for the accelerated adoption of Smart Domestic PNG Meters by bringing together CGD entities, technology providers, manufacturers, system integrators and other relevant stakeholders. The initiative is expected to foster a more coordinated and efficient approach to Smart Domestic PNG Metering, while promoting standardization, interoperability, innovation and effective implementation across the CGD sector.

Meanwhile, EESL has signed an MoU with AIESL to implement solar rooftop systems over hangars at key locations like Thiruvananthapuram, Nagpur, Delhi, Kolkata, and Chennai under the RESCO (Renewable Energy Saving) model. As an initial phase, 7.5 MW of capacity is to be installed across Thiruvananthapuram, Nagpur, and Delhi.



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India's installed power capacity projected to surpass 2,000 GW by 2047



India power sector (Image for representation)

New Delhi: India's installed electricity generation capacity is projected to cross 2,000 GW by 2047, nearly four times the current levels, driven by a dramatic expansion in clean energy, especially solar power, says a report.

The report, 'India's Power & Energy Transformation Outlook, by the Energy & Climate Initiatives Society (ENCIS)

was released on Tuesday during the inaugural session of Bharat Electricity, POWERGEN India & Indian Utility Week 2026 in the capital.

Solar power alone is expected to leap from 119 GW to over 1,100 GW, underscoring the scale of infrastructure, innovation, and policy support required for the nation's Viksit Bharat vision, the report stated.

India offers flood-ravaged Nepal a hand in rebuilding hydropower, infra

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India is also a major market for Nepal's surplus electricity, with cross-border power trade becoming an increasingly important component of bilateral economic ties. (AP)

India has offered to help Nepal get its hydropower plants, roads and bridges back on their feet after devastating floods and landslides ravaged critical infrastructure across the Himalayan country, according to three officials aware of the developments. They said state-run hydropower majors NHPC Ltd and SJVN Ltd have offered technical assistance towards the effort, deepening New Delhi's role in rebuilding infrastructure in the country, where it is already a major energy partner.

Quad energy ministers to meet on G20 sidelines

The Quad grouping, consisting of India, Japan, Australia and United States, announced plans to convene the Fuel Security Forum at the G20 summit



G20 leaders in South Africa emphasized multilateralism amid a shifting global order, despite the absence of US representatives. (via REUTERS)



In a first for the four-nation Quad grouping, energy ministers of India, Japan, Australia and the United States will meet on the sidelines of the G20 energy ministerial in Houston in the third week of September, HT has learnt. The meeting will mark the inaugural gathering of the Quad's Fuel Security Forum as the four nations attempt to shore up their energy security amid disruptions caused by the present conflict in West Asia. Union power minister Manohar Lal Khattar is expected to represent India at the meet.



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SJVN posts record generation, Rs 4,722cr revenue in FY26

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Shimla: SJVN recorded its highest-ever annual generation of 13,302 million units in FY26, while its consolidated revenue rose to Rs 4,722 crore from Rs 3,376 crore in the previous year, chairperson and managing director Bhupender Gupta said at the company's 38th annual general meeting on Monday.

SJVN and its associate companies added 1,730 MW of installed capacity during the year. The 1,500 MW Nathpa Jhakri Hydro Power Station crossed 150 billion

units of cumulative generation, while the Rampur and Naitwar Mori projects recorded their highest or above-design generation.

BBMB, IIT-Roorkee join hands to map Beas flood vulnerability in Himachal

BBMB, with IIT-Roorkee's assistance, is preparing a first-of-its-kind dam-break analysis and emergency action plan for a 135-km Beas stretch, mapping vulnerable areas into three risk zones for timely alerts and evacuation.



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CEA proposes mandatory storage for solar, wind projects

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Govt proposes phased storage mandate for new solar, wind projects from 2027, starting at 10% capacity with two-hour duration. (AI-...

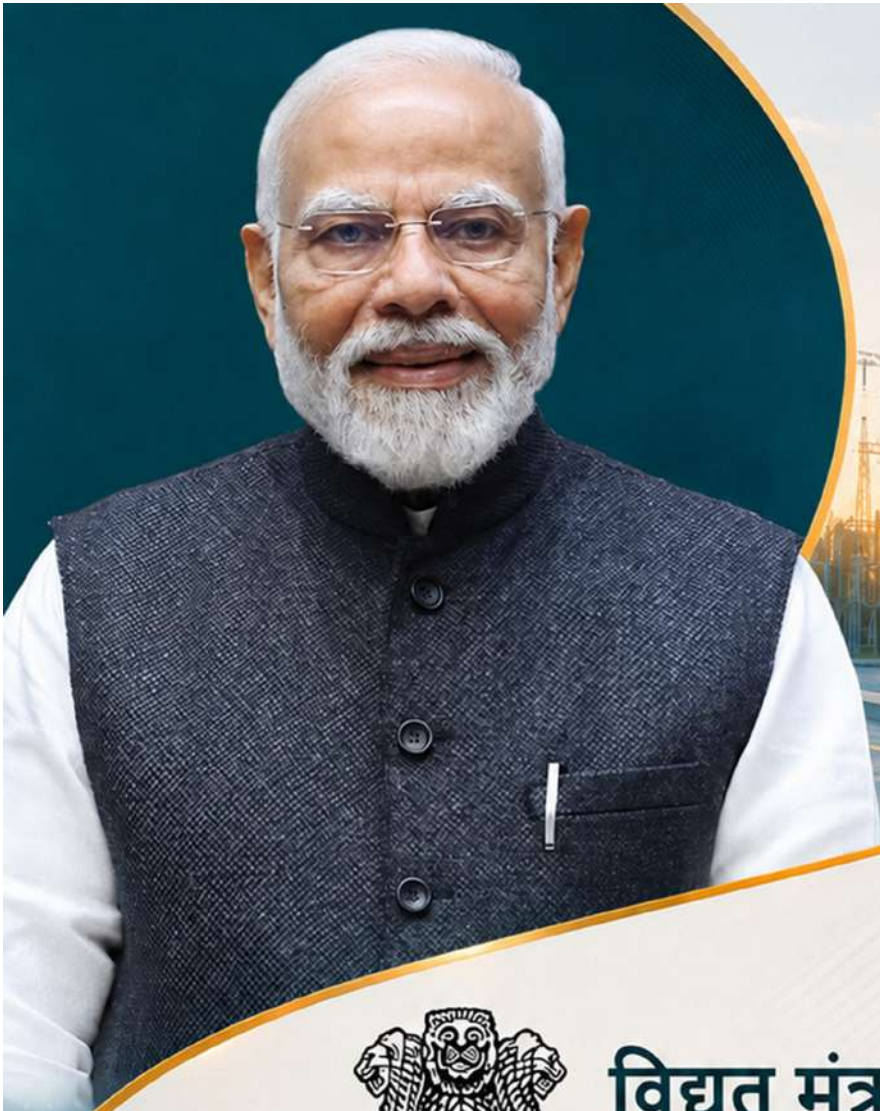
NEW DELHI: New solar and wind power projects may have to install battery storage alongside generation capacity from 2027, with govt proposing a phased storage requirement as part of revised technical standards for renewable energy plants.

Under the draft regulations issued by the Central Electricity Authority (CEA) on Thursday, ground-mounted solar and onshore wind projects commissioned after July 1, 2027 will have to install co-located energy storage equivalent to at least 10% of their installed capacity, with a minimum storage

duration of two hours.

This means a 100 MW solar plant would need at least 10 MW of storage capacity capable of storing electricity for two hours, or 20 MWh.

The requirement will become more stringent for projects commissioned after July 1, 2029 and up to June 30, 2031. Such projects will have to provide storage equivalent to 10% of installed capacity but with a minimum duration of four hours. A 100 MW plant would therefore require 10 MW/40 MWh of storage.



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