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## 1. India improves ranking in trade facilitation aided by reforms

India has significantly improved its ranking in terms of trade facilitation due to reforms undertaken by various departments. India has scored 90.32 from 78.49 per cent in 2019 per cent in United Nation's Economic and Social Commission for Asia Pacific's (UNESCAP) latest Global Survey on Digital and Sustainable Trade Facilitation. The Global Survey on Digital and Sustainable Trade Facilitation is conducted every two

years by UNESCAP. The 2021 survey includes an assessment of 58 trade facilitation measures covered by the WTO's Trade Facilitation Agreement. After evaluation of 143 economies, the 2021 survey has highlighted India's significant improvement in the scores on all five key indicators. The survey notes that India is the best performing country when compared to the south and south

west Asia region (63.12 per cent) and Asia Pacific region (65.85 per cent), it said. "The overall score of India has also been found to be greater than many Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) countries including France, the UK, Canada, Norway, Finland etc. India has achieved a 100 percent score for the Transparency index and 66 per cent in the "Women in trade" component.

## 2. India's engineering goods exports registered a growth of 52.4% during the month of June 2021

Merchandise exports in June 2021 were US\$ 32.50 billion, as compared to US\$ 21.91 billion in June 2020, exhibiting a positive growth of

48.34%. Indian engineering exports were on their upward journey in June 2021 following the trend of the last two months. India's engineering

goods exports registered a growth of 52.4% during the month of June 2021 as compared to the same period last year. With reference to



June 2019, the growth witnessed (in June 2021) was 41.9%.

The automobile sector (comprising of Motor Vehicles/Cars, Two and Three wheelers and also Auto components/parts) registered a

growth of 1.7% in the first quarter of current year vis-à-vis same period of 2019-2020. With reference to the first quarter of 2020-21, the growth in exports in the current year in the sector is seen to be 195%. This

is primarily due to sharp jump in exports of Two and Three Wheelers (by 279%); Motor Vehicles/Cars (by 159%); and Auto components/parts (by 204%).

### 3. India has emerged as world leader in Energy Transition says Union Power Minister Mr. RK Singh

Addressing the conference of Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) on “Aatmanirbhar Bharat - Self Reliance for Renewable Energy Manufacturing”, the Union Minister of Power and New and Renewable Energy, Mr. RK Singh stated that India had emerged as world leader in the Energy Transition. He said that India had one of the fastest rates of growth of Renewable Energy capacity in the world.

Mr. R. K. Singh further added that India had pledged in COP-21 in Paris that by 2030; 40% of its power generation capacity will be from non-fossil fuel sources and had already reached 38.5% and if the capacity under installation is added, it comes to 48.5%. The Minister said that India proposes to continue to be a world leader in the coming years and it has set a target of 450 GW of Renewable Energy capacity by 2030.

Minister also added that India will also emerge as a leader in Green Hydrogen and Green Ammonia. Minister also informed that India proposes to green industry sectors to replace Grey Hydrogen (drawn from imported natural gas) with Green Hydrogen and for this it will come out with a Green Hydrogen Purchase Obligation for different sectors like petroleum and fertilizer.



### 4. NTPC to set up India's single largest solar park at Rann of Kutch, Gujarat, India

NTPC Renewable Energy Ltd., a 100% subsidiary of NTPC, has received the go-ahead from Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) to set up 4750 MW renewable energy park at Rann of Kutch in Khavada, Gujarat. This will be India's largest solar park to be built by the largest power producer of the country.





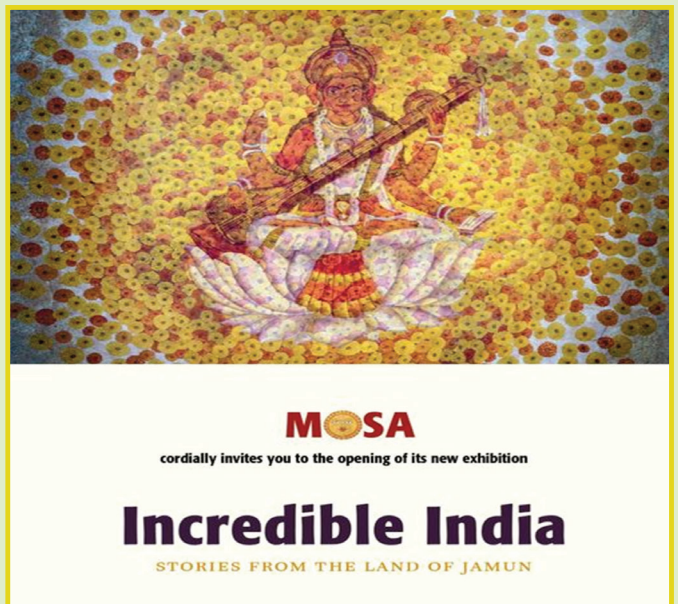
As a part of its green energy portfolio augmentation, NTPC Ltd., India's largest energy integrated company aims to build 60 GW Renewable Energy Capacity by 2032. Currently, the state-owned power major has an installed capacity of 66 GW across 70 power projects with an additional 18 GW under construction.

Recently, NTPC has also commissioned India's largest Floating Solar of 10 MW (ac) on the reservoir of Simhadri Thermal Power Plant, Andhra Pradesh. An additional 15 MW (ac) would be commissioned by August 2021.

Further, a 100 MW Floating Solar Project on the reservoir of Ramagundam Thermal Power Plant, Telangana is in the advanced stage of implementation.

## 5. CELEBRATING India@75 With Museum of Sacred Arts (MOSA) Radhadesh

Ambassador Santosh Jha inaugurated the art exhibition "Incredible India - Stories From the Land of Jamun" in Museum of Sacred Art (MOSA). The art exhibition highlights the art of 10 contemporary artists. The exhibition was supported by ICCR and Embassy of India, Brussels.



## 6. INDIA LEADS CLIMATE ACTION



## 7. INDIA PERSPECTIVE MAGAZINE

The richly illustrated magazine provides an insight into India's culture, tradition, art, heritage, cuisine, science etc. along with write ups about contemporary India. Please read the interesting articles from "INDIA PERSPECTIVE MAGAZINE" with the links mentioned below:

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