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INITIATIVES



India–Sweden Innovations Accelerator Program

The India–Sweden Innovations Accelerator (ISIA) hosted its 28th workshop in Pune, connecting 60+ Indian companies and 7 Swedish cleantech companies. The workshop showcased innovative solutions across energy storage, resource efficiency, clean energy, water management, IoT, digital technologies and clean mobility.

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Accelerating the Acceptance of Low Carbon Cement

During the Conference on Alternative Fuels and Raw Materials (AFR) 2026 in Goa, a special stakeholders consultation workshop on "From alternative raw materials to low carbon cement: accelerating the adoption in India's built environment" was organized.

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Greening of MSMEs in Andhra Pradesh

CII-Green Business Centre (CII-GBC) is working with the Government of Andhra Pradesh and Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL) under the RAMP (Raising and Accelerating MSME Performance) framework. CII-GBC has organized a capacity building & awareness workshop at Palnadu under this initiative.

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Greening of MSMEs in Telangana

CII Green Business Centre (CII GBC), along with the Research & Innovation Circle of Hyderabad (RICH), conducted Capacity Building and Awareness Workshop at FTCCI, Hyderabad under the "Greening of MSMEs in Telangana" initiative, a key component of the Raising and Accelerating MSME Performance (RAMP) Programme.

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PUBLICATIONS



From Waste to Kiln, Scaling the Use of MSW-Derived RDF in Indian Cement Plants

This publication examines how refuse derived fuel (RDF) from MSW can be an enabler for a higher Thermal Substitution Rate (TSR) in cement industries, and how the cement industry's technological upgradation can improve waste utilisation.

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EVENTS / TRAININGS / WEBINARS

AFR 2026 Conference

The 16th Conference on Alternative Fuels & Raw Materials (AFR) 2026 in Goa highlighted the need to scale up AFR adoption, strengthen circular economy ecosystems and foster industry-government collaboration to accelerate cement sector decarbonization. India's cement sector recorded 491 million tonnes of production in FY 2025–26, with a 7.5% thermal substitution rate, utilizing around 7 million tonnes of alternative fuels annually.

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Train-the-Trainer (ToT) Programme for Indonesia's cement and steel sectors

CII- Green Business Centre (CII GBC), in collaboration with the Institute for Essential Services Reform (IESR), completed a five-day Train-the-Trainer (ToT) Programme on Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) of Industrial GHG Emissions and Mitigation Measures for Indonesia's cement and steel sectors, held from 26-30 October 2026 in Jakarta, Indonesia.

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Webinar on Heat Pumps

The Heat Pump Alliance conducted its first webinar on Industrial Heat Pumps on 28 October 2026, bringing together 130+ participants from diverse industries.

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UPCOMING EVENTS



Net Zero Summit 2026

The CII Net Zero Summit 2026 will bring together industry leaders, policymakers, sustainability professionals, technology providers, and innovators to explore practical pathways to accelerate India's transition towards a net-zero future.

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IN THE NEWS



AFR Conference 2026

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Article: Resource Efficiency in Power Generation

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ISIA 2026- Pune Workshop

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INDUSTRY UPDATES

India's CCTS Maps Where Industrial Clusters Could Power Energy Transition

Observer Research Foundation | 29 October, 2026

By showing where industrial emissions are concentrated, the scheme also shows where demand for clean power could be pooled and scaled.

India sees $220 Billion clean energy investment opportunity by FY2030: MNRE

ANI News | 23 October, 2026

India has an estimated USD 220 billion in investable opportunities across the clean energy value chain between 2027 and 2030 as the country advances towards its target of 500 GW of non-fossil fuel capacity.

India's Renewable Power Generation Rises 11% in H1 FY27

Saur Energy International | 28 October, 2026

Solar power was the largest driver of growth among renewable sources excluding large hydro. Solar generation rose 47.14% to 119.68 BU in April–September FY27.

100% charge waiver for battery energy storage systems under new TN policy

The Indian Express | 30 October, 2026

The policy, accessed by TNIE, covers two categories of battery storage systems - standalone BESS and co-located BESS.

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