

□ India Targets 10% Global Green Hydrogen Demand by 2030 IN

- Union MoS New & Renewable Energy Shripad Naik stated India on track to command 10% of global green hydrogen demand by 2030 at 3rd International Conference on Green Hydrogen (ICGH-2025) in New Delhi (11–12 Nov)
- National Green Hydrogen Mission (NGHM): ₹17,000 crore incentive schemes supporting production/electrolyser manufacturing; 3,000 MW/year electrolyser capacity awarded; 8.62 lakh MTPA green hydrogen production
- SECI discovery: globally competitive prices for 7.24 lakh MTPA green ammonia to fertiliser units; 20,000 MTPA green hydrogen sanctioned for IOCL, BPCL, HPCL refineries
- Global expansion: India emerging as leading green hydrogen producer/exporter with 20–40% projected market CAGR (next decade); four hydrogen valleys announced with ₹485 crore investment
- Logo launch: National Green Hydrogen Mission logo selected from 2,500 national entries; Union Minister Pralhad Joshi unveiled it during ICGH-2025

🏆 Defence Ministry Procures INVAR Anti-Tank Missiles for ₹2,095 Crore

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- Ministry of Defence inked ₹2,095 crore agreement with Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL) for INVAR Anti-Tank Missiles enhancing T-90 tank lethality
- Weapon specifications: laser-guided anti-tank missile with very high hit probability, transforms mechanised operations, offers operational advantage vs. adversary
- Procurement category: 'Buy (Indian)' category supporting Atmanirbharta in defence, developing niche technologies via domestic DPSUs
- Signed by Defence Secretary Rajesh Kumar Singh alongside BDL representatives in New Delhi

🎵 Government Grants GI Tag to Traditional Lepcha Musical Instruments

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- Government of India granted Geographical Indication (GI) registration for two traditional Lepcha musical instruments – Tungbuk and Pumtong Pulit (5 Nov 2025)
- Instrument profiles: Tungbuk (three-string instrument), Pumtong Pulit (bamboo flute); integral to Lepcha folk music, hold deep cultural/spiritual significance
- Applicants: Ugen Palzor Lepcha (Tungbuk), Namgyal Lepcha (Pumtong Pulit) received certificates at 1st Tribal Business Conclave, New Delhi

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- Impact: formal recognition preserves/revives instruments, bridges knowledge gap among younger generation, supports artisan livelihoods
- Support: NABARD Gangtok extended two-year extensive support in GI filing process

Tribal Business Conclave 2025: 250 Enterprises, 100+ Startups

Showcase Innovation IN

- Tribal Business Conclave 2025 concluded at Yashobhoomi, Dwarka (attended by Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal, Tribal Affairs Minister Jual Oram, MoS Durgadas Uikey)
- Key announcements: (1) Gramya Yuva Arth Niti (GYAN) Lab—public policy interactive lab by Ashank Desai School of Public Policy, IIT Bombay + PRAYOGI Foundation piloting Tribal Entrepreneurship Index, micro-equity incubation models; (2) Tribal Affairs Grand Challenge inviting startups for high-impact solutions; (3) GI recognition for tribal crafts (Kannadippaya, Apatani Textile, Marthandam Honey, Lepcha Tungbuk, Bodo Aronai, Ambaji White Marble, Bedu & Badri Cow Ghee)
- Employment impact: 1,500 direct + 10,000+ indirect jobs created; 20,000+ tribal individuals benefitted across sectors
- Market access: 60+ new GeM registrations, 50+ positive inquiries for tribal products; GI fee reduction to ₹1,000 announced by Commerce Minister
- Initiatives: 3,900 Van Dhan Kendras supporting 12 lakh livelihoods; ₹24,000 crore PM JANMAN Yojana

Government Withdraws 14 BIS Quality Control Orders for Chemical/Plastics Sectors

- Government withdrew 14 Quality Control Orders (QCOs) by Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) effective immediately (13 Nov 2025)
- Products affected: Purified Terephthalic Acid (PTA), Ethylene Glycol (EG), Polyester Yarns/Fibres, Polypropylene, Polyethylene, PVC, ABS, Polycarbonate
- Objective: ensure raw material availability, ease import constraints, lower input costs for downstream MSMEs (packaging, textile, moulding sectors)
- Benefits: eliminated mandatory BIS certification, simplified compliance procedures, removed testing duplication, accelerated manufacturer/importer approvals
- Rationale: government recognises self-regulation, innovation, international standards effectively ensure quality in mature industries

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GSH India Signs MoU with IIIT Manipur for Energy Sector Skill

Development

- GSH India Private Limited (UK-based GSH Group's Indian arm) signed MoU with IIIT Manipur (12 Nov 2025, 5th GSH Sustainable Energy Forum, Chennai)
 - Collaboration focus: facility management, IoT, sustainability, smart-building systems, developing skilled workforce for sustainable energy projects
 - Key activities: joint research, internships, training, skill development programs bridging industry-academia gap, share resources, co-develop projects, foster innovation
 - App launch: GSH launched all-in-one mobile application streamlining facility operations, tracking sustainability metrics
 - Inclusive reach: engaging Manipur talent pool, promoting regional inclusivity, creating practical model for corporate-academic alliances driving climate/sustainability goals
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