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The evolving thermal power generation portfolio with a focus on cleaner fuel options, including gas, and reassessing the role of coal in the long-term energy mix

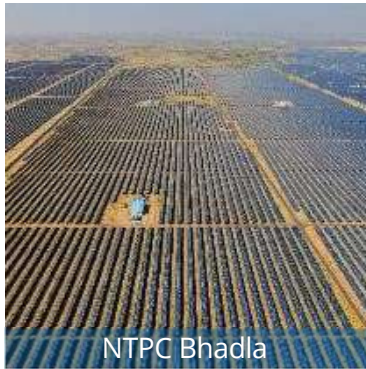


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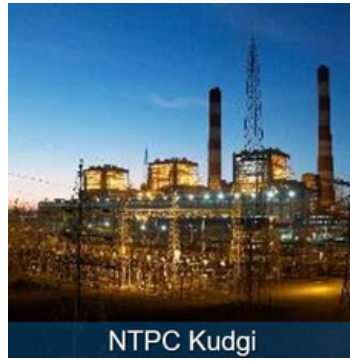
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Thermal Power Plants in The Age of Innovation



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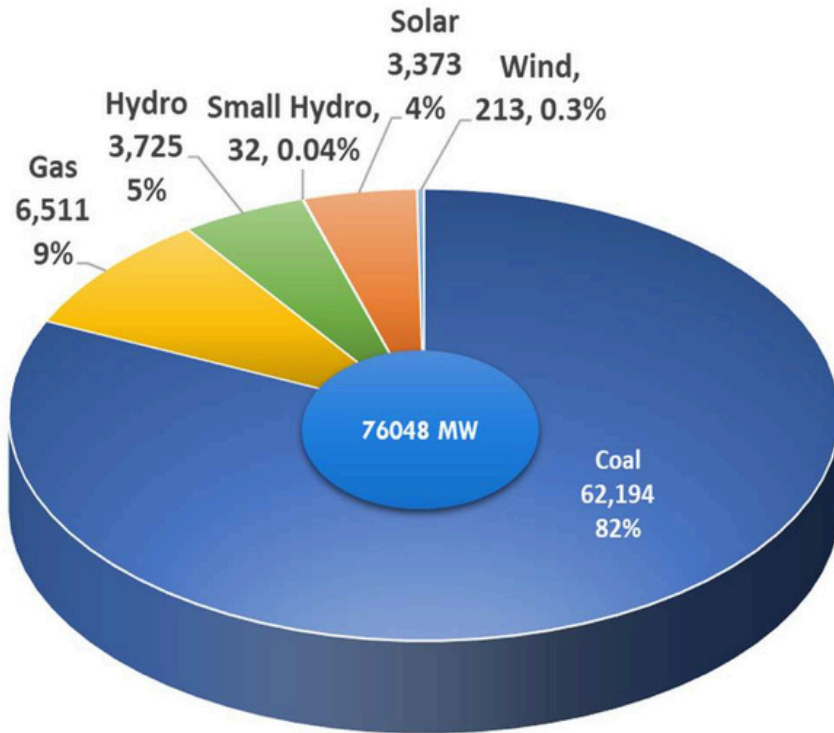
5 Innovations in Thermal PP

6 Cleaner Power

7 Greener Power

8 Way Forward





- The Largest Power Company In South Asia
- 2nd Largest IPP in the World

**76,048
MW**

Installed Capacity

~25%

Share in All India Generation

353 Cr.

of Community Investment

17,794

Employees



NTPC's Transformational Journey

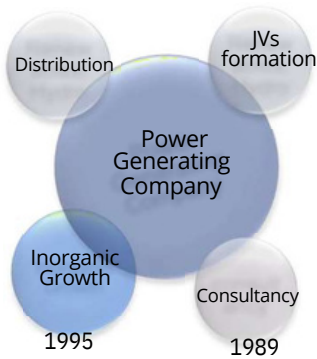
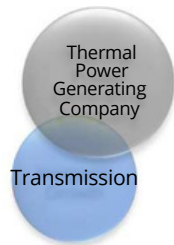


1975

2002

2020

2023-24



Gol:100%

Gol:51.1%

Leading Indian Power Company – Supplier of Clean, Green and Affordable Power in India and Abroad



NTPC Journey



200 MW
130 ksc/530°C/530°C



200 MW
(1982)

3100 MW
170 ksc/537°C/537°C



First 500 MW
(1986)

31005 MW
170 ksc/537°C/565°C



500 MW
(2010)

36315 MW
247 ksc/537°C/565°C



660 MW
(2011)

43610 MW
247 ksc/565°C/593°C



660/800 MW
(2014)

76048 MW
270 ksc/600°C/600°C



660/800 MW
(2023-24)



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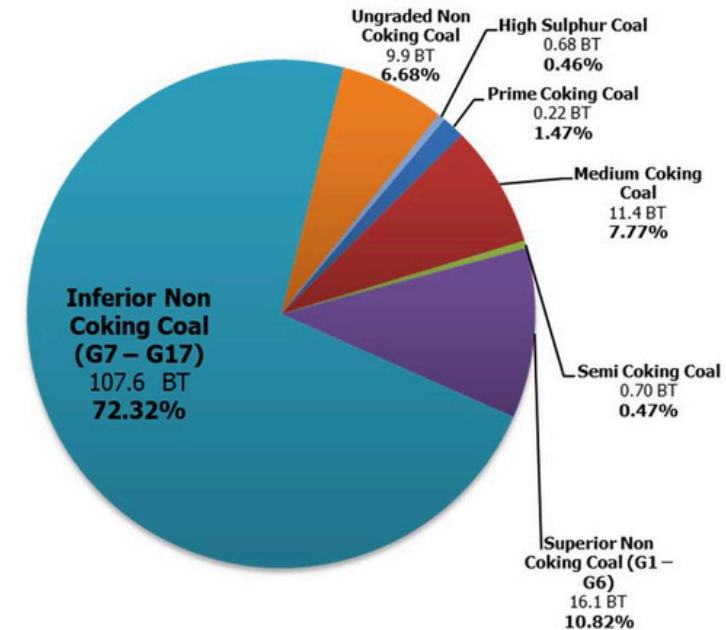
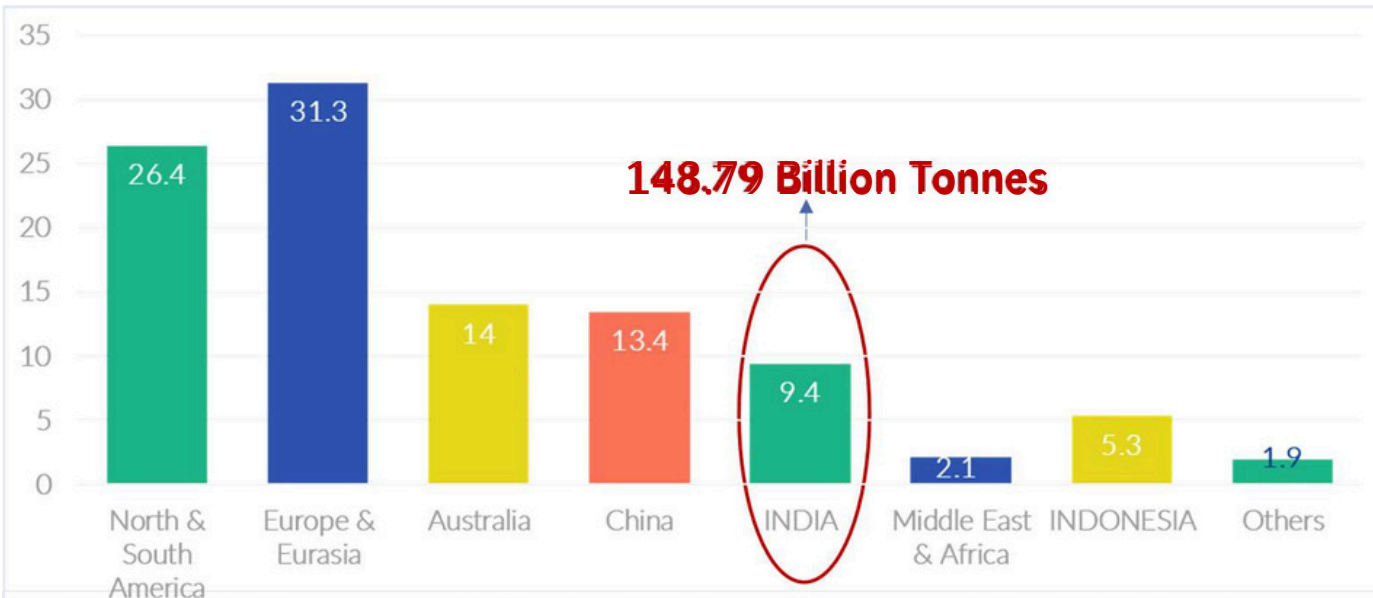
Significance of Coal in India



COAL RESERVES –GLOBAL & INDIA



Coal Resources in India



• Coal is a vitally important fuel in the global energy mix, providing 80% of primary energy.

• ~ 1055 billion Tonnes of proven coal reserves worldwide : sufficient for ~ 132 years @ current rates of production

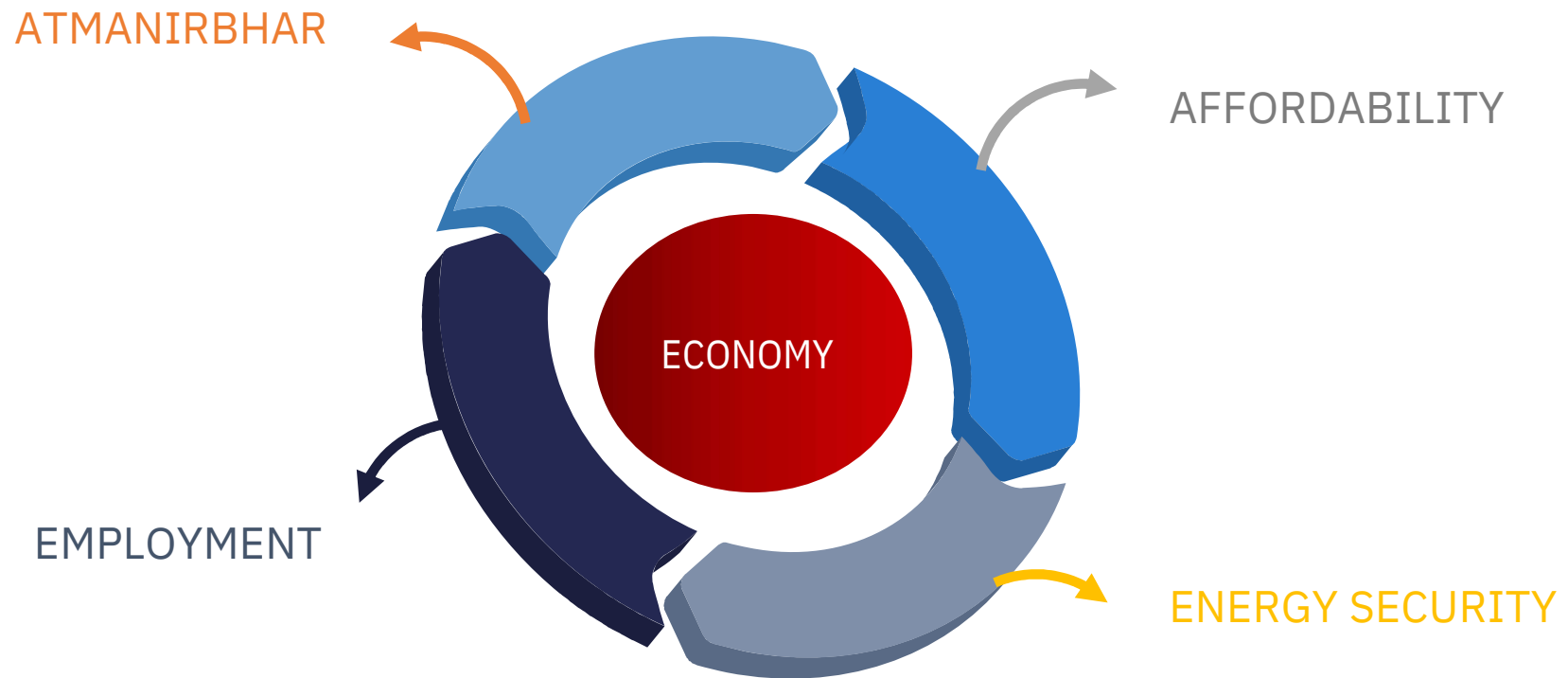
• India has ~ 9.4% of world’s proven coal reserves & stands 5th in the world.

Coal is the only source of base load power generation in India due to the limited potential of hydro and India being a non-member of the Nuclear Suppliers Group.

Source –BP Statistical Review 2019/MoC



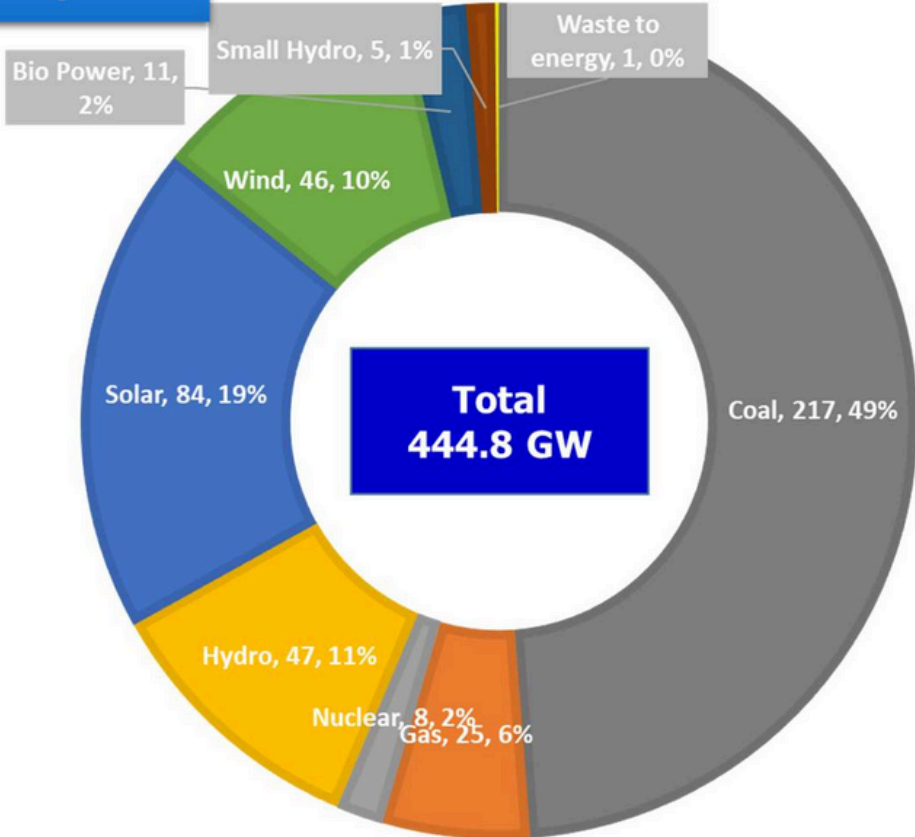
Importance of Thermal Power Plant in Indian Context



India's Installed Power Capacity

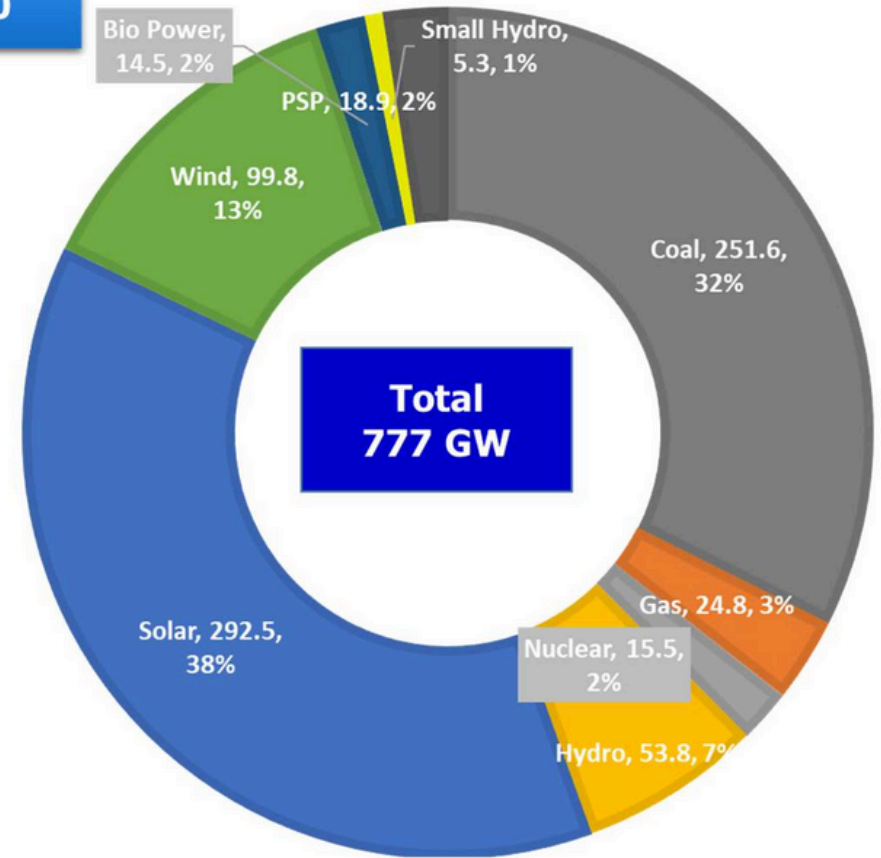


May-2024



Installed Capacity, GW

2030



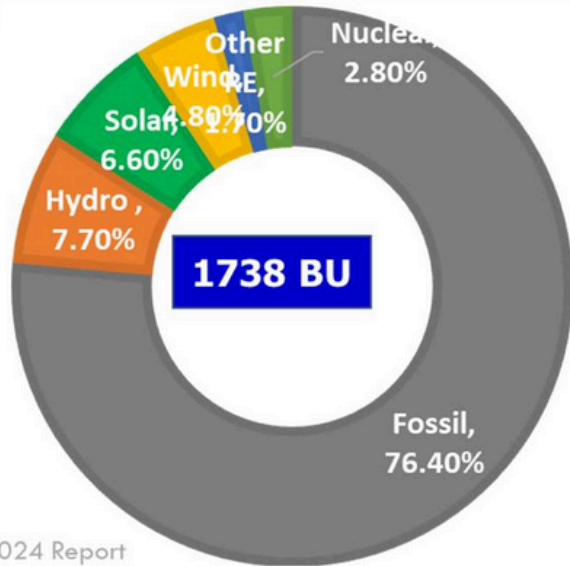
Installed Capacity GW

Source: <https://powermin.gov.in/en/content/power-sector-glance-all-india>

Source: Report on Optimal Generation Capacity Mix for 2029-30 Ver 2.0 April 2023

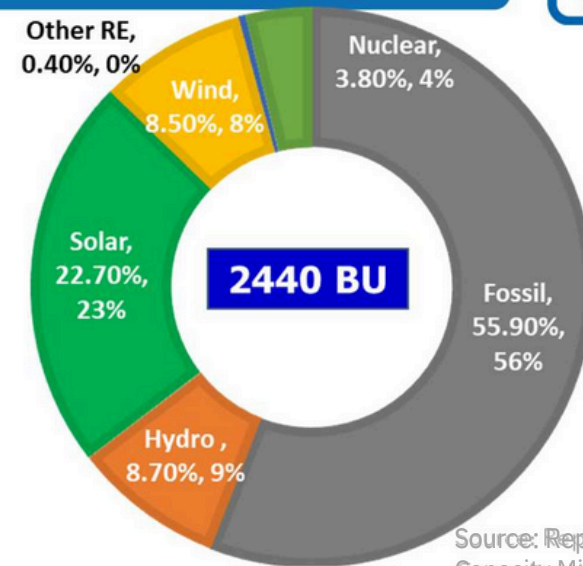
India's Electricity Generation

2024



Source: CEA 2024 Report

2030

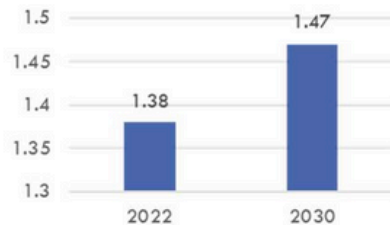


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% Share in Generation from Various Energy Sources

Population (Billion)

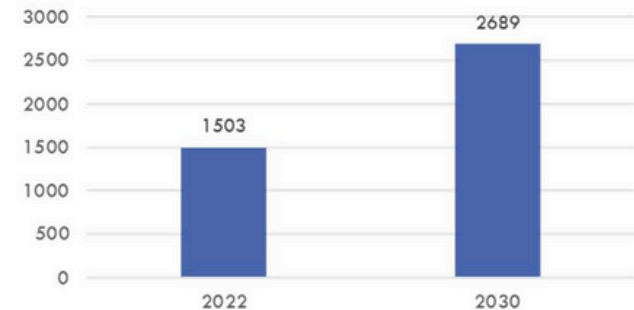
Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
United Nations Population Projection



Electricity (BU) Consumption

Per capita Average electricity consumption
World ~ 3800 kWh
India ~ 1255 kWh

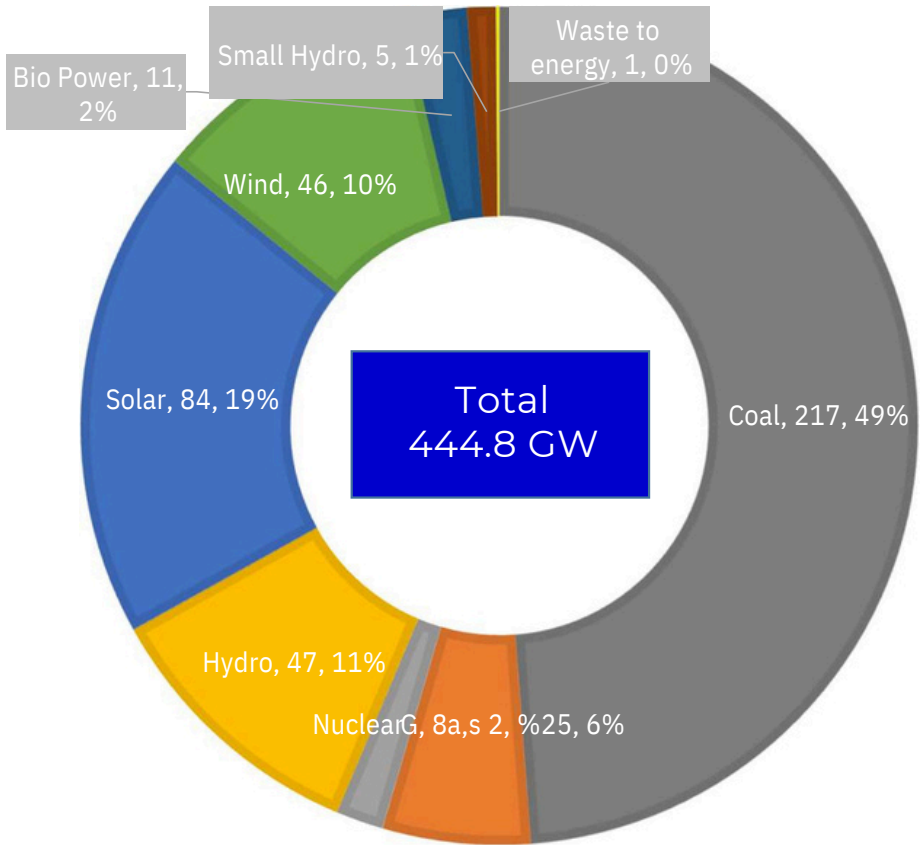
World Energy Outlook 2022



India's Installed Power Capacity & Generation - Present

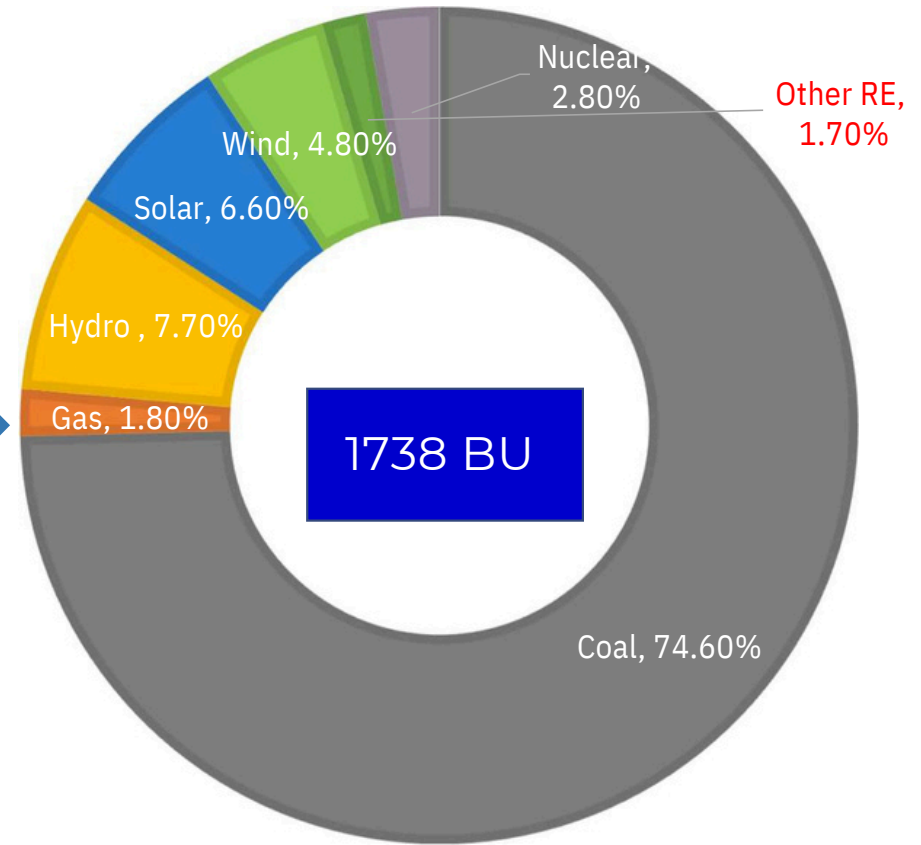


May-2024



Installed Capacity, GW

Source: <https://cea.nic.in/installed-capacity-report/?lang=en>

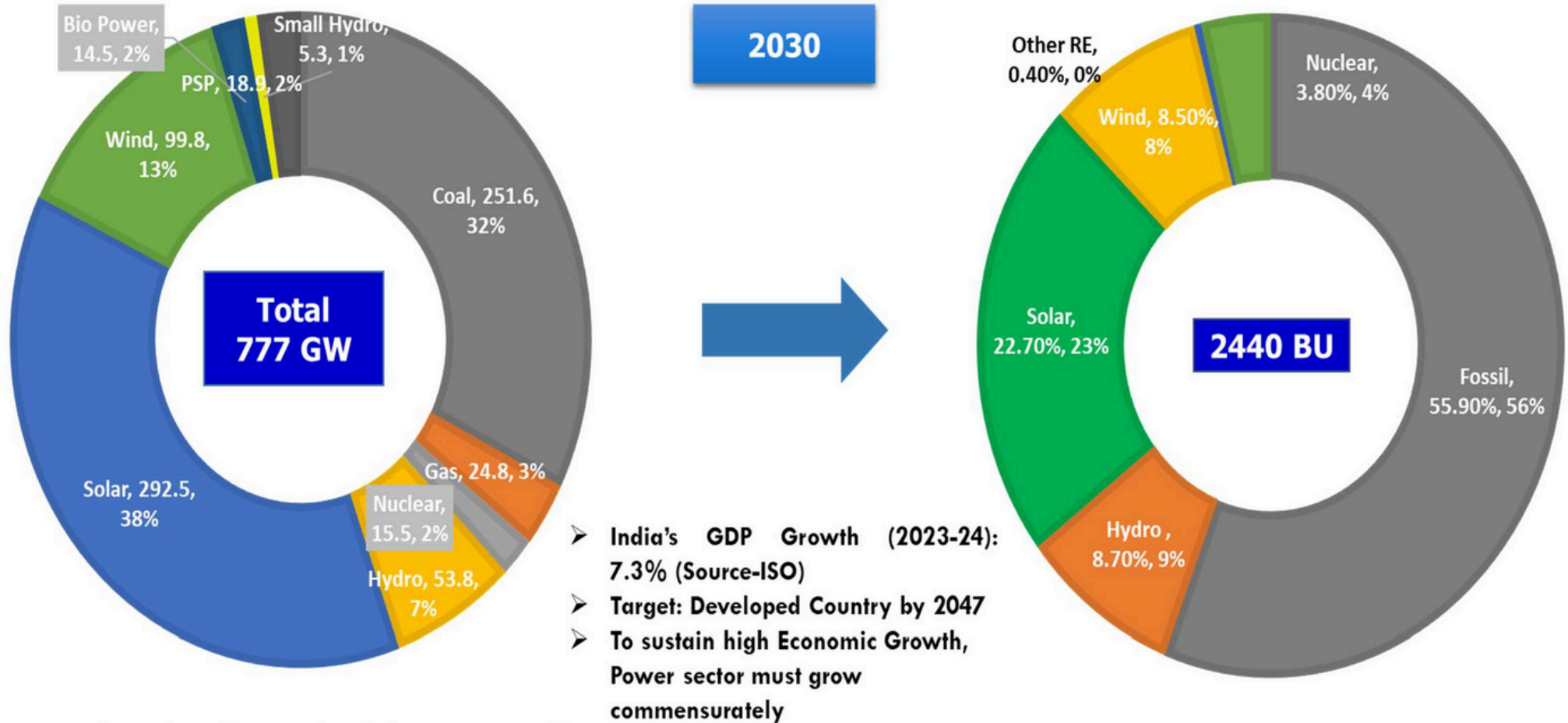


Generation, BU

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India's Installed Power Capacity & Generation -Future



- India's GDP Growth (2023-24): 7.3% (Source-ISO)
- Target: Developed Country by 2047
- To sustain high Economic Growth, Power sector must grow commensurately

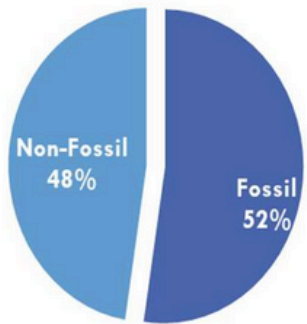
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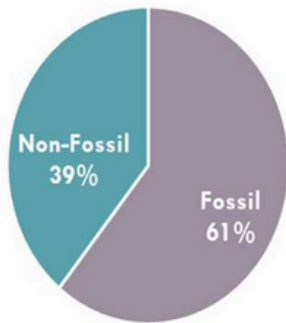
Global v/s India - 2023



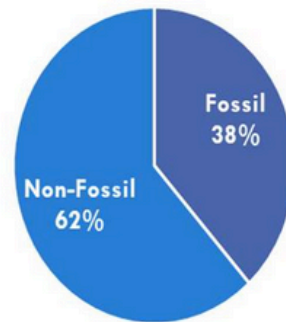
Global Capacity (GW)



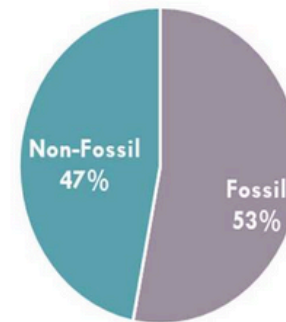
USA Capacity (GW)



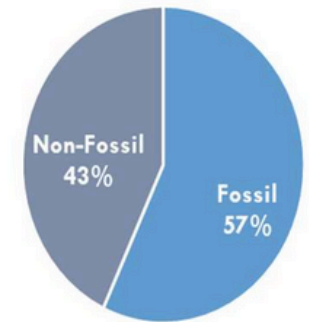
EU Capacity (GW)



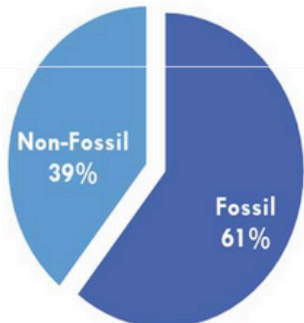
China Capacity (GW)



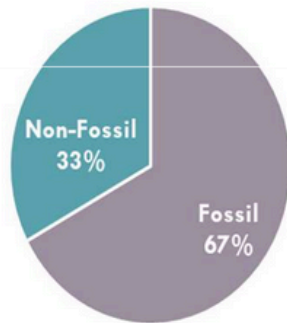
India Capacity (GW)



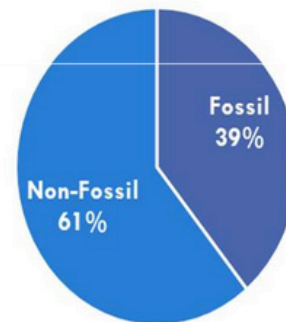
Global Generation (TWh)



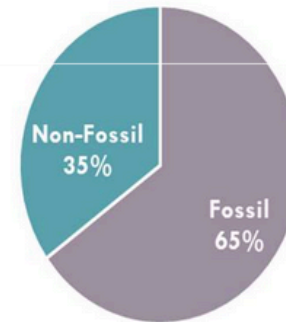
USA Generation (TWh)



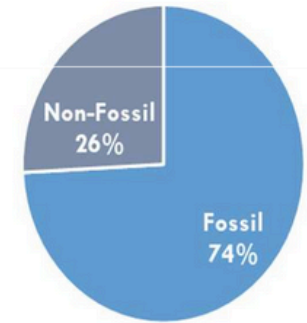
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China Generation (TWh)



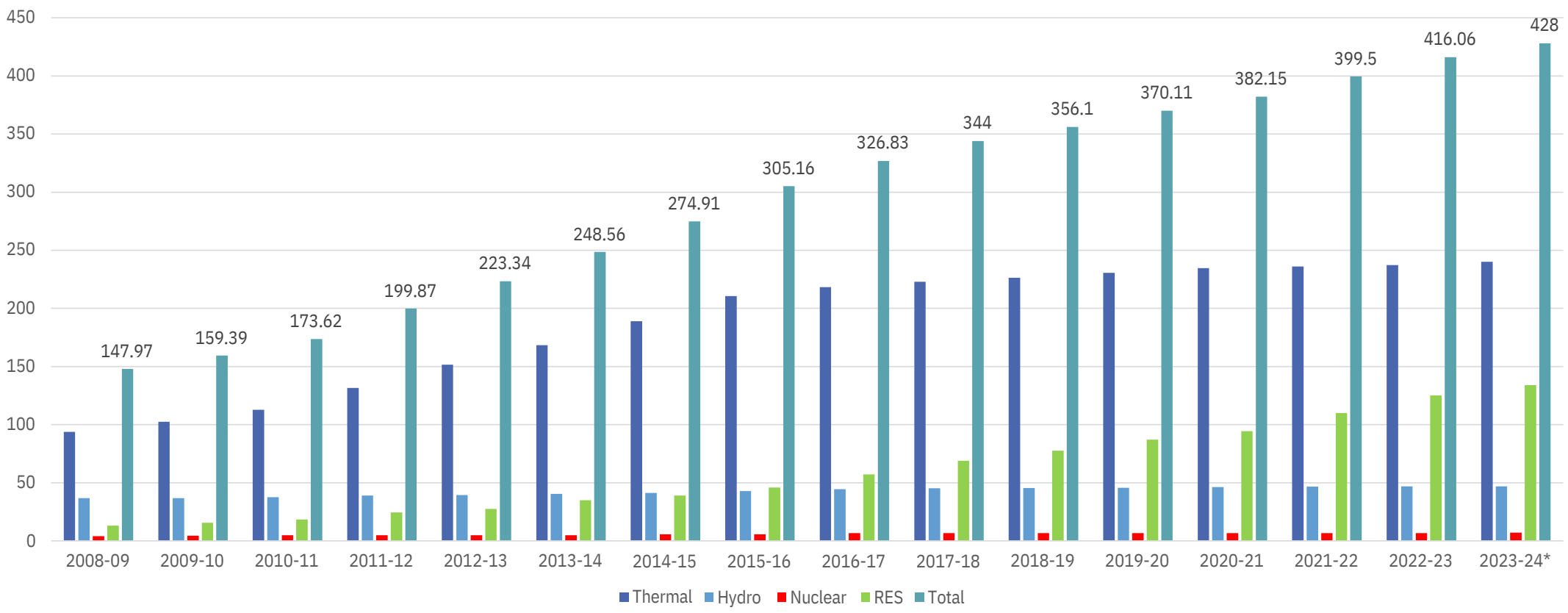
India Generation (TWh)



Source: IEA World Energy Outlook 2023



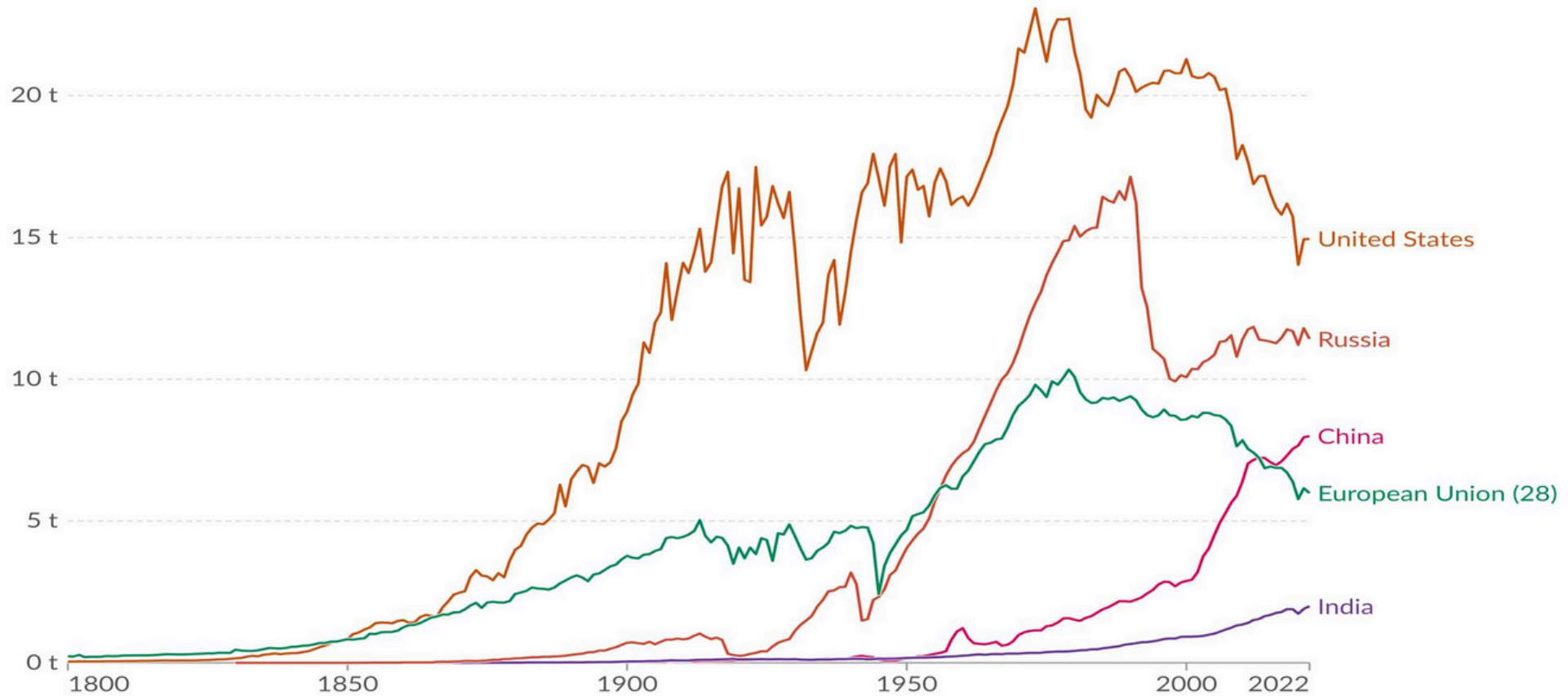
Installed Electricity Generation Capacity in India (GW)



Source: CEA, Growth of Electricity Sector in India, various issues.
 * till Dec 2023 ** RES includes Small Hydro Project (< 25 MW)



Per capita CO₂ emissions (India vs Other Countries)



Data source: Global Carbon Budget (2023); Population based on various sources (2023)
OurWorldInData.org/co2-and-greenhouse-gas-emissions | CC BY



NTPC future Plan for Thermal Capacity addition



Govt. of India has planned to add 80GW Thermal Plant by 2031-32

Under Construction

Project Name	Capacity (MW)
BARH-I (3x660 MW)	660
Singrauli-III (2X800)	1600
NORTH KARANPURA (3x660)	660
Talcher-III (2x660 MW)	1320
Lara-II (2x800 MW)	1600
Patratu(3x800 MW)	2400
Khurja(2X660MW)	1320
Total	9560

Under Tendering

Project Name	Capacity (MW)
Telangana-II (3X800 MW)	2400
Gadarwara-II (2x800)	1600
Nabinagar-II (3x800 MW)	2400
Sipat-III (1X800 MW)	800
Darlipali-II (1X800 MW)	800
Meja-II (3X800 MW)	2400
Total	10400

To be Tendered

Project Name	Capacity (MW)
Patratu-II (2X800 MW)	1600
Obra-D (2x800 MW)	1600
Anpara-E (2x800 MW)	1600
Total	4800

The identified plants shall be designed considering following:

- Meet stringent environment norms
- Provision of 20% torrefied biomass cofiring
- Provision for installation of Carbon Capture and Utilisation Plant

Energy Transition and Innovation of Thermal Power Plant



Country Specific Issues for making Greener power



Growing Demand: Developing Country and Huge GDP growth target



Cleaner Power Supply : First priority to clean power before doing Green Power



Base Power/ Back Up Power- Except Coal no other alternative energy Source as of now



Huge Employment of Country in Coal & Thermal Power Sector



Role of Coal-based Plant During Transition

Integral Part of future Energy Mix: Major Generation share for at least for a few decades

Cleaner and Greener Power Supply : Decarbonization of Thermal Plant is Inevitable

Continue to Supply Reliable and affordable power

Continue to Support Economical Growth and Employment of Country

Need to Operate in Flexible Mode to Accommodate Variability of RE



Environmental Challenge and Mitigation



Coal Plant & Environment



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New Environment Norm from Thermal power Plants

Change in Environment Norms issued on 07/12/2015

Previous Norms		New Norms				
All emission are in mg/ Nm ³		Installed before 31.12.2003		Installed after 01.01.2004 & up to 31.12.2016		Installed on or after 01.01.2017
Unit Size	All	< 500 MW	≥500 MW	< 500 MW	≥500 MW	All
SO ₂	Dispersion through Chimney	600	200	600	200	100
NO _x	No Norms	600		450		100*
SPM	150/100/50	100		50		30
Mercury	No Norms	--	0.03	0.03		0.03

- All plants with once through cooling shall install Cooling Tower and achieve spec water consumption max 3.5M³/MWhr
- New plants installed after 01.01.2017 shall meet max specific water consumption limit 3.0M³/MWhr and achieve ZLD

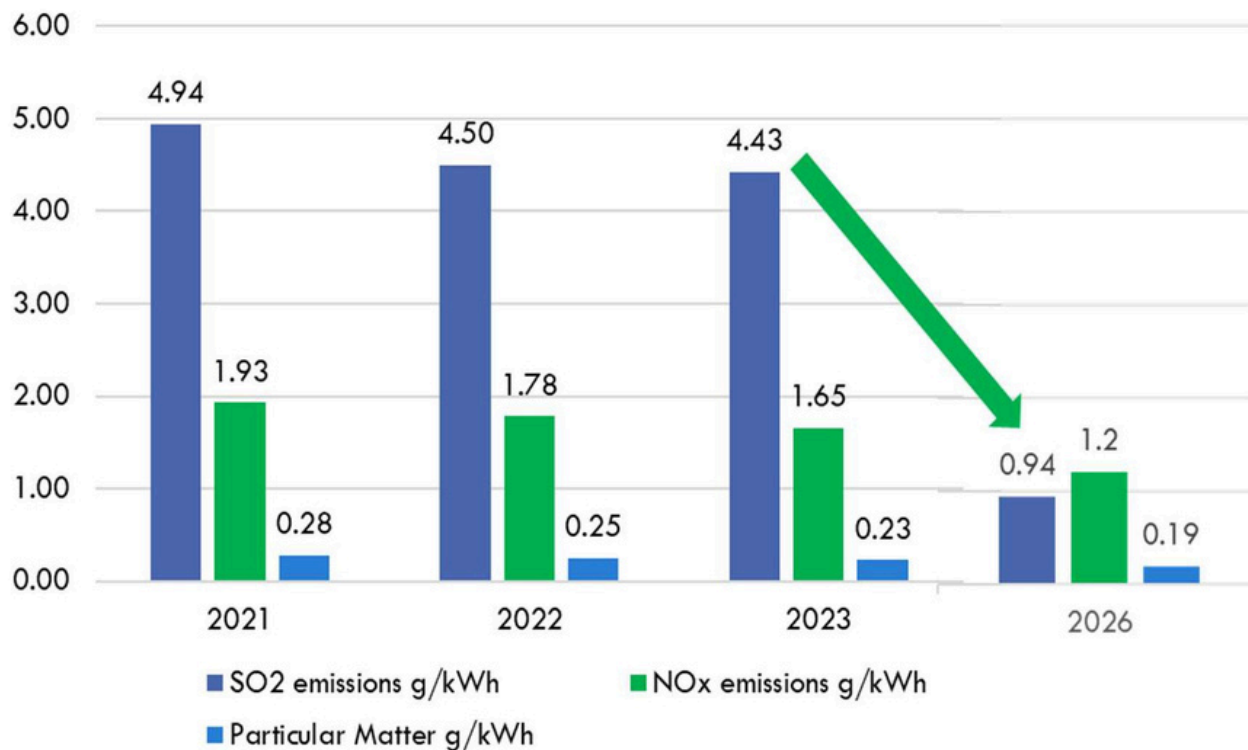
MOEF & CC has issued new timeline for new norms compliance, vide notification dated 05-09-2022

Sl. No	Category	Location/area	Timelines for compliance (Non retiring units)		Last date for retirement of units for exemption from compliance	
			parameters other than SO ₂ emissions	SO ₂ emissions	parameters other than SO ₂ emissions	SO ₂ emissions
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
1	Category A	Within 10 km radius of National Capital Region or cities having million plus population ¹ .	Upto 31st December 2022	Upto 31st December 2024	Upto 31st December 2022	Up to 31st December 2027
2	Category B	Within 10 km radius of Critically Polluted Areas ² or Non-attainment cities ²	Upto 31st December 2023	Upto 31st December 2025	Upto 31st December 2025	
3	Category C	Other than those included in category A and B	Upto 31st December 2024	Upto 31st December 2026	Upto 31st December 2025	

Result of Adopting Air Pollution Control Technology



Specific SO_x, NO_x, PM Emissions



SPM Reduction :

- ESP R&M completed in 14/15GW
- Additional reduction being achieved through FGD installations

SO₂ Reduction :

- FGD including DSI Commissioned in around 12000 MW
- Gas in achieved in 3280 MW
- FGD under various stages of Erection and Commissioning in 57+ GW capacity.

NO_x Reduction :

Modification completed in –21560MW.

As per the Notification Dated 05.09.2022 of the Ministry of Forest & Climate Change, the timeline for implementation is up to 31.12.2024/26.



Water Conservation



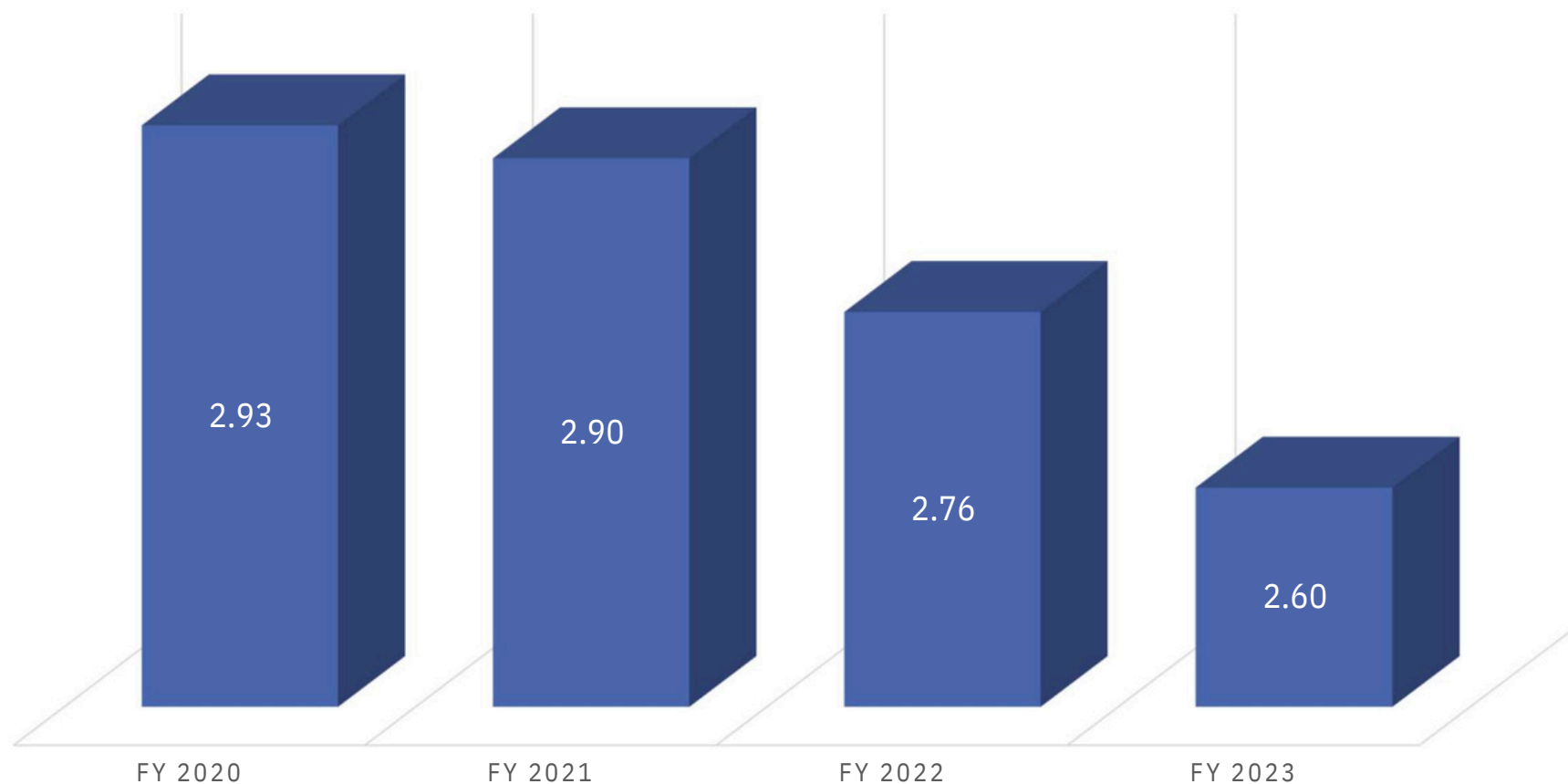
Our Water Conservation Strategy



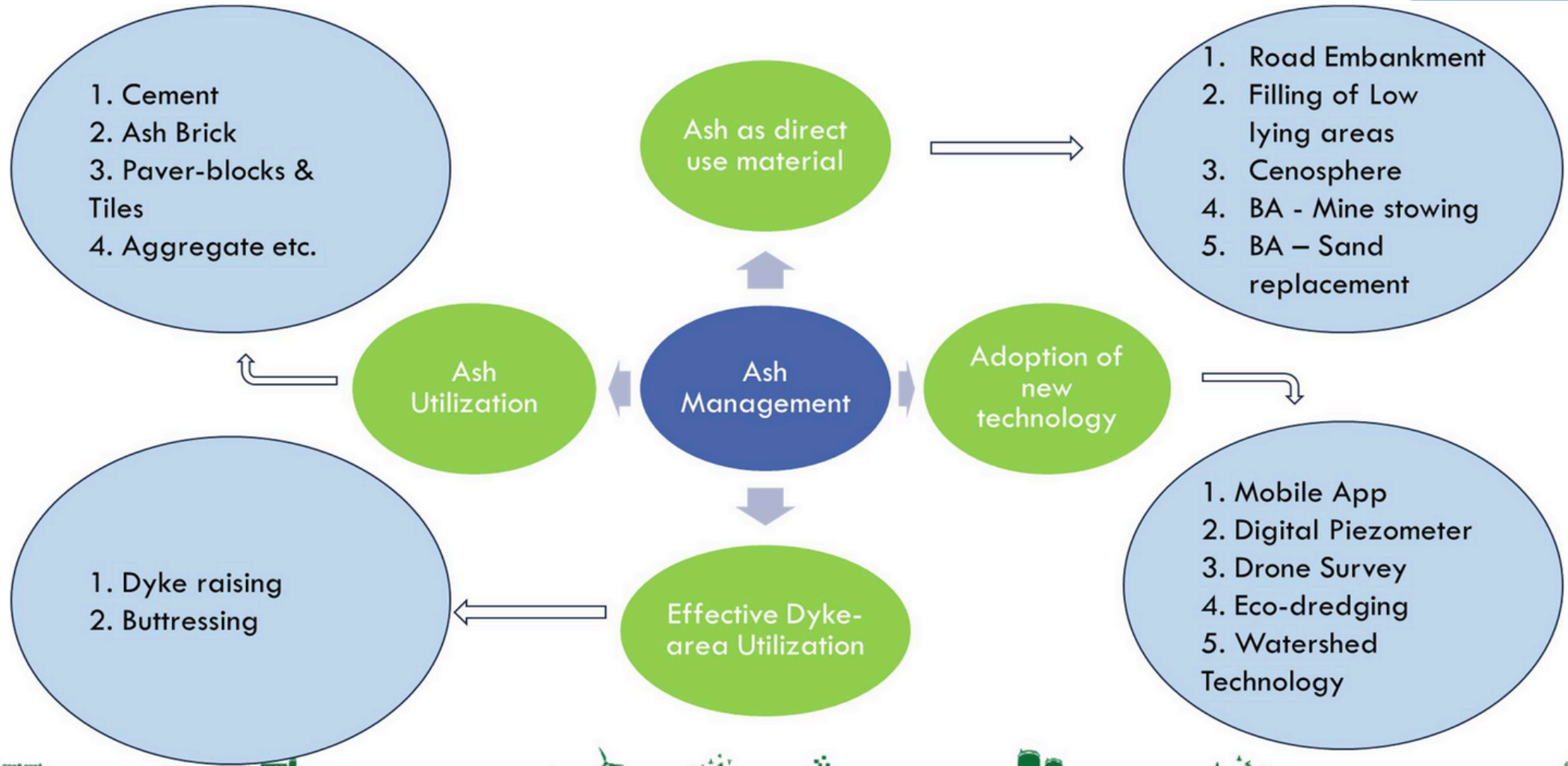
Reduction in Specific Water Consumption in NTPC



SPECIFIC WATER CONSUMPTION (LTR/KWH)



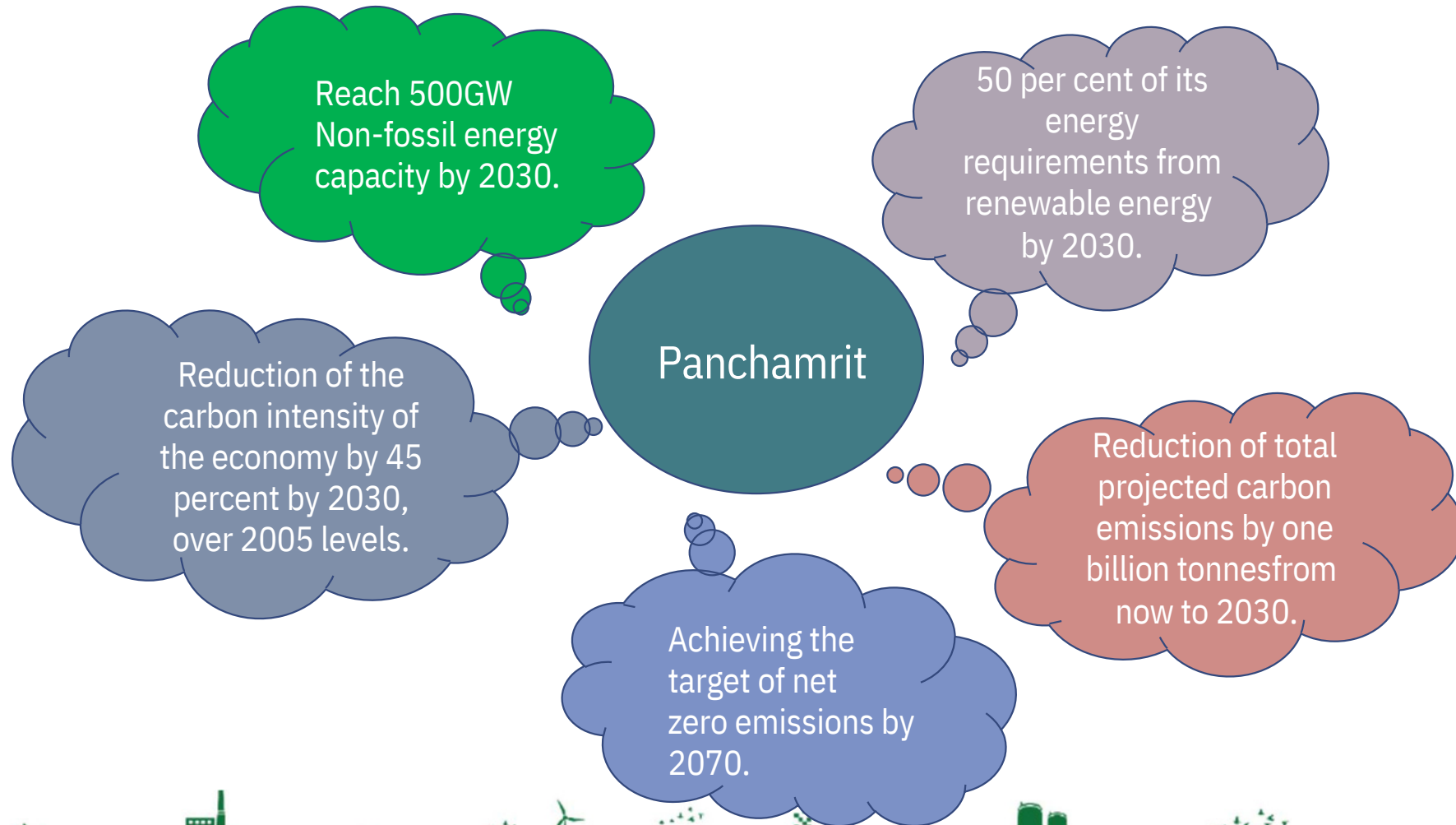
Ash Utilization

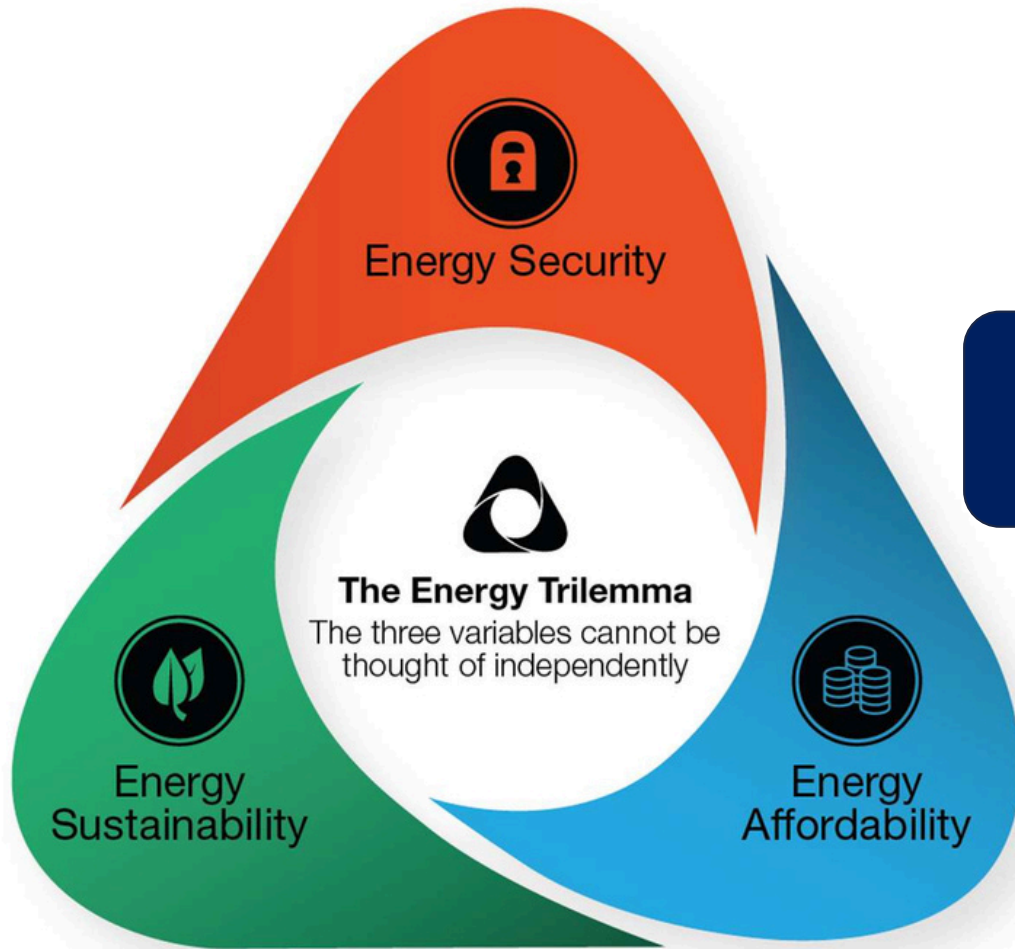


Handling the Transition Challenges by Innovation



Five Nectar Elements Of India's Climate Action





Solving the Energy Trilemma: Key to a Sustainable Future

Meeting the energy needs of the country is the first and foremost consideration



In Quest of Blue Coal Generation



Sp. CO2 emissions



**Typical
Subcritical
Coal Station**



**CCGT
(Declared
Green by EU)**



Handling the Transition Challenges by Innovation



Decarbonisation of Thermal Plants



- Technology Upgradation & Efficiency Improvement
 - Fossil fuel is required for the Energy Security of our country
 - Moved from sub-critical to supercritical and onto ultra-supercritical technology
 - Efficiency Improvement of existing plant by R&M

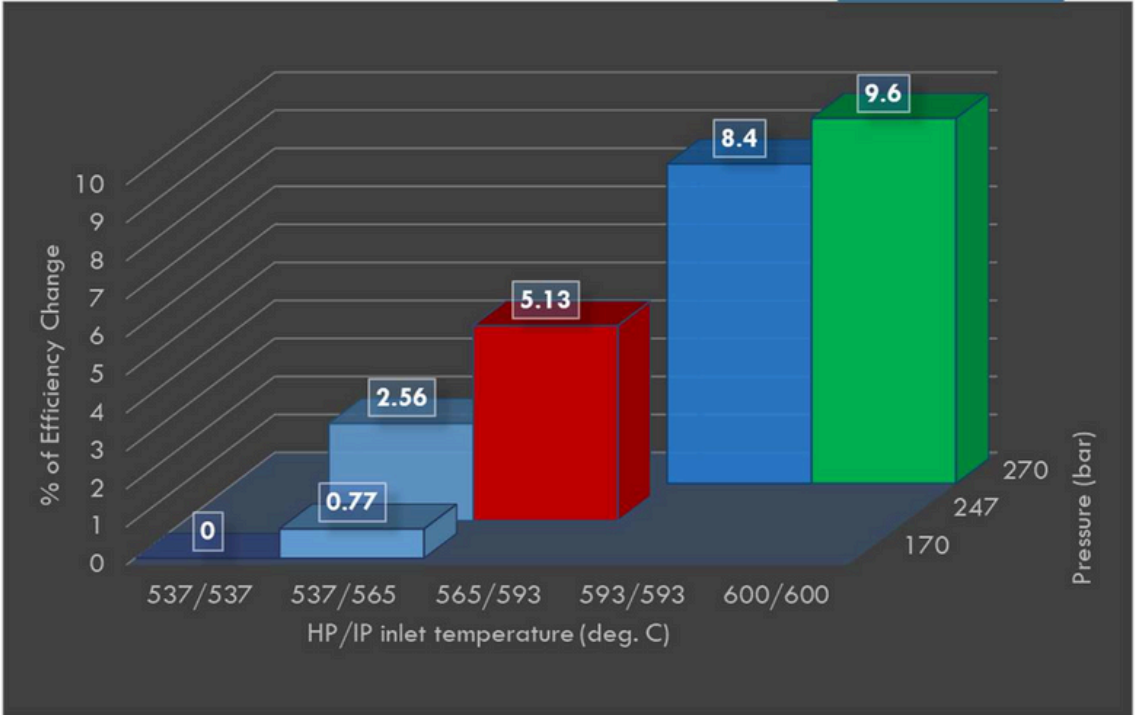
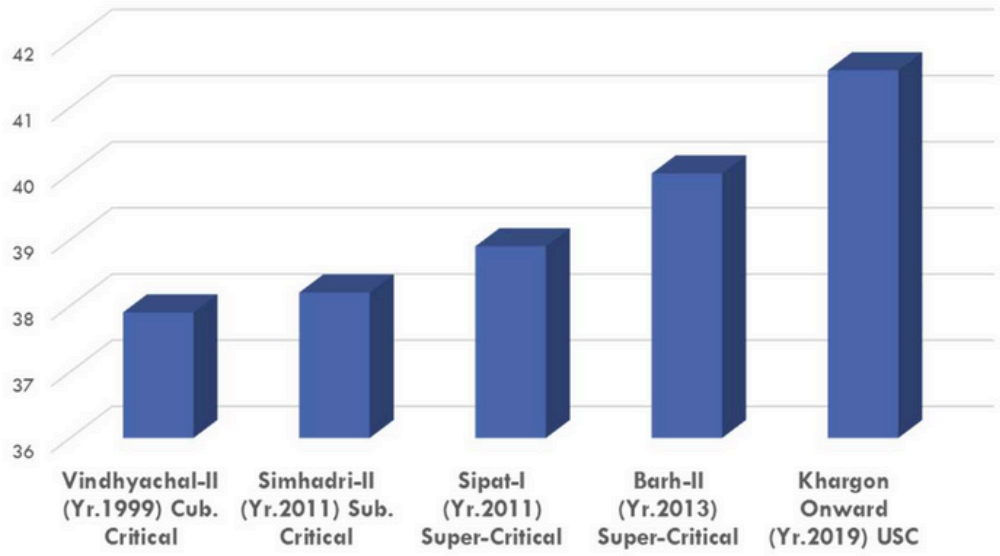
- Upgradation to a Perpetual or Blue coal-based power plant
 - Migration to cleaner and greener coal power
 - Partial Carbon capture
 - Biomass cofiring
 - Ammonia and Methanol Co-firing



Enhancing Efficiency Technology Upgradation



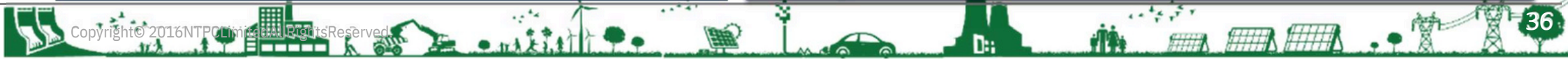
Improving Coal Technologies: Sub-critical → Supercritical → USC



With increase in Efficiency from Sub critical to ultra Super critical. The following will reduce by 9.6%

- Reduction in Coal
- Reduction in CO₂
- SO₂ Decrease

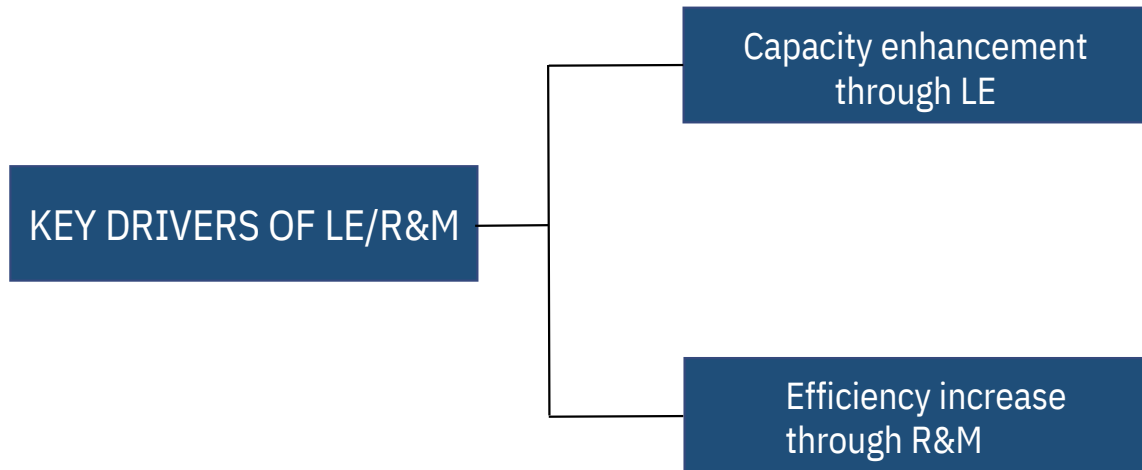
Efficiency of the Rankine Cycle improves with increase in Temperature and Pressure. This is the basis of technology improvement from sub-critical (537°C/170kg) to Supercritical (565°C/247kg) to Ultra-Supercritical (600°C/270kg)



Enhancing Efficiency By Renovation & Modernisation



Role of R&M in Decarbonization



Successful Cases	
Station	Impact
Ramagundam	Turbine HR-10% improvement

Non-negotiable aspects

- Efficiency: Improvement in heat rate & reduction of aux. power consumption
- Flexibilization: Equipment prone to fatigue/creep phenomenon due to cycling, advanced process control, combustion optimization, mill scheduler etc.
- Reliability: Replacement with equipment of latest technology



CO2 Emission Reduction Carbon Neutral and Low Carbon Fuel Cofiring



Why Biomass Co-firing?

- Biomass is carbon-neutral fuel.
- Seasonal Stubble burning problem.
- Agro-Residue Potential : 18,728 MWe.

Benefits:

- Each % of biomass co-firing- Potential to reduce CO2 by same %
- Alternate fuel for Thermal Power Plant.
- Economic value to farmers for agro-residue.
- Reduced burning of farm-waste.
- Pollution reduction.

- Total Biomass fired by NTPC– ~300,000 MT (till date).

Capability Developed by NTPC in Co-firing:

- Non-torrefied: 10%.
- Torrefied :20%



Working for Methanol Co-firing

- Exploring Methanol Co-firing along with BHEL at Vindhyachal
- Exploring Methanol Co-firing possibilities at Gas Plant
- MoU with GE for cofiring of Methanol

Benefit

- CO2 Emission Reduction
- Replace HFO/LDO being used in power plants and can significantly reduce the imports.
- Circular Economy



Carbon Capture



Circular Economy from Fossil Fuel



CO2 to Methanol

10 TPD Plant at NTPC Vindhyachal



CO2 to Generation-4 Ethanol

10 TPD Plant at NTPC Lara

Positioning: First 'CO2 to Green Ethanol' Plant, globally.

Rationale:

- **Connecting CCUS with 'Energy Security':**
 - ✓ Bigger market size – E20 petrol (20% ethanol blending) is already permitted
 - ✓ Market size likely to increase – E25 is minimum in Brazil
 - ✓ E100 vehicles already developed
 - ✓ Transition from G1-G2-G3-G4 Ethanol is already happening – required for sustainability

- **Higher price break even point:** G1 Ethanol Price is 47-67 Rs/Lit
- **Aviation Fuel:** Ethanol is the 'Starting Point' – Both Market Size & Price Point is attractive.
- **NTPCs Strength:** Processes both CO2 resource & CO2 capture experience

20 TPD CO2 Capture Plant

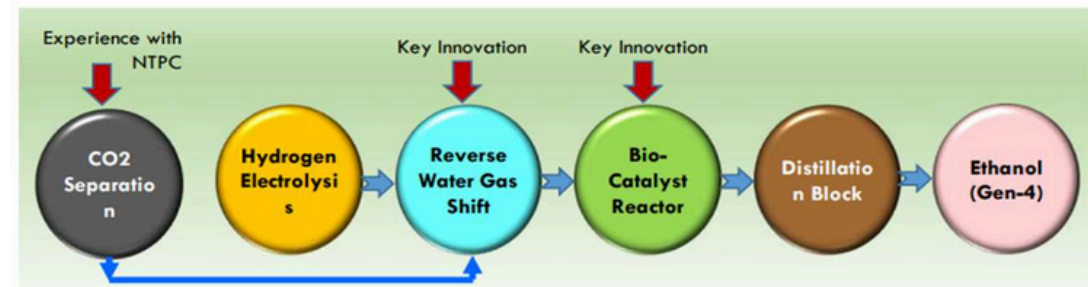
- Technology: Modified Tertiary Amine
- Commissioned on 15th Aug'22

2 TPD Hydrogen Plant

- Technology: Proton Exchange Membrane Electrolyzer

10 TPD Methanol Plant

- Technology: Heterogenous Catalytic Hydrogenation of CO2



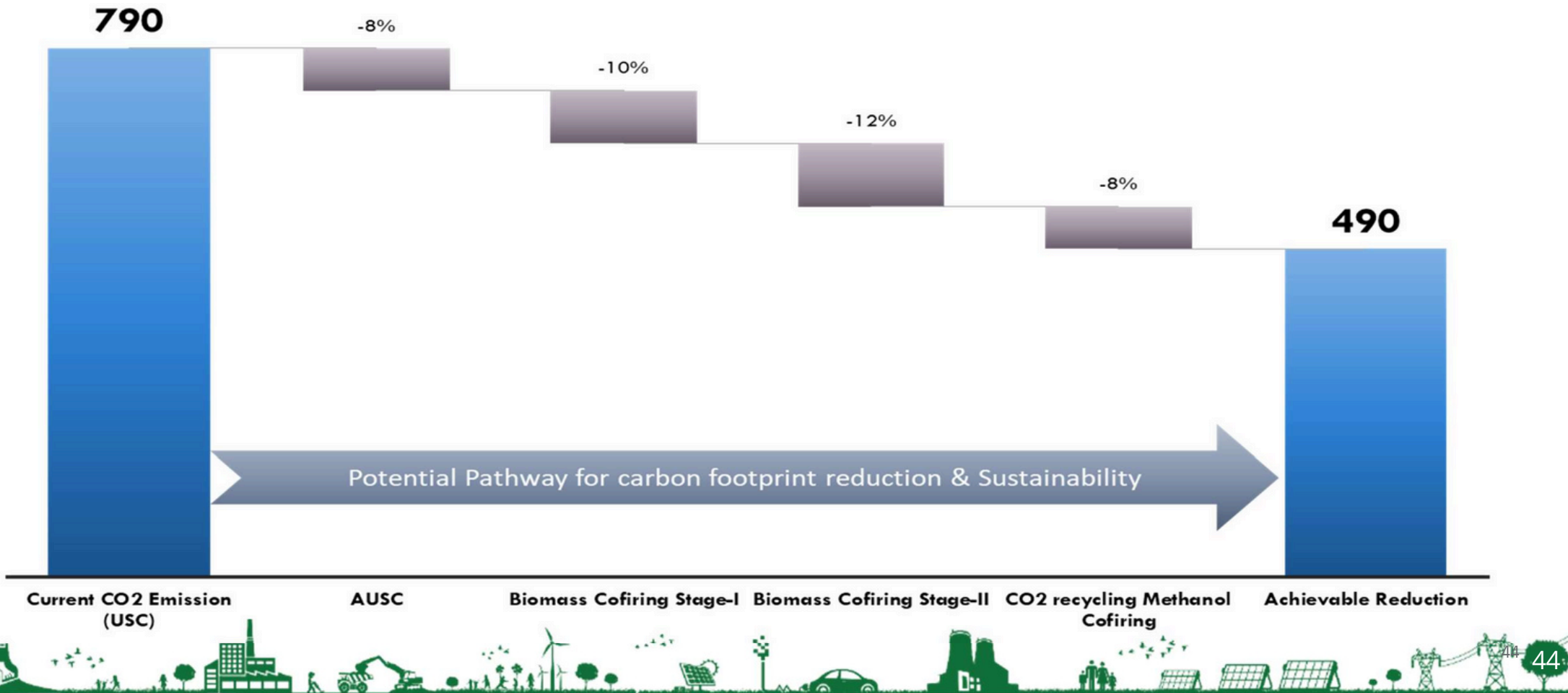
Development of CO2 Sequestered Aggregates 'Carbonated Aggregates'

- By reacting CO2 captured from flue gas with the fly-ash & other industrial waste with divalent Ca²⁺ or Mg²⁺

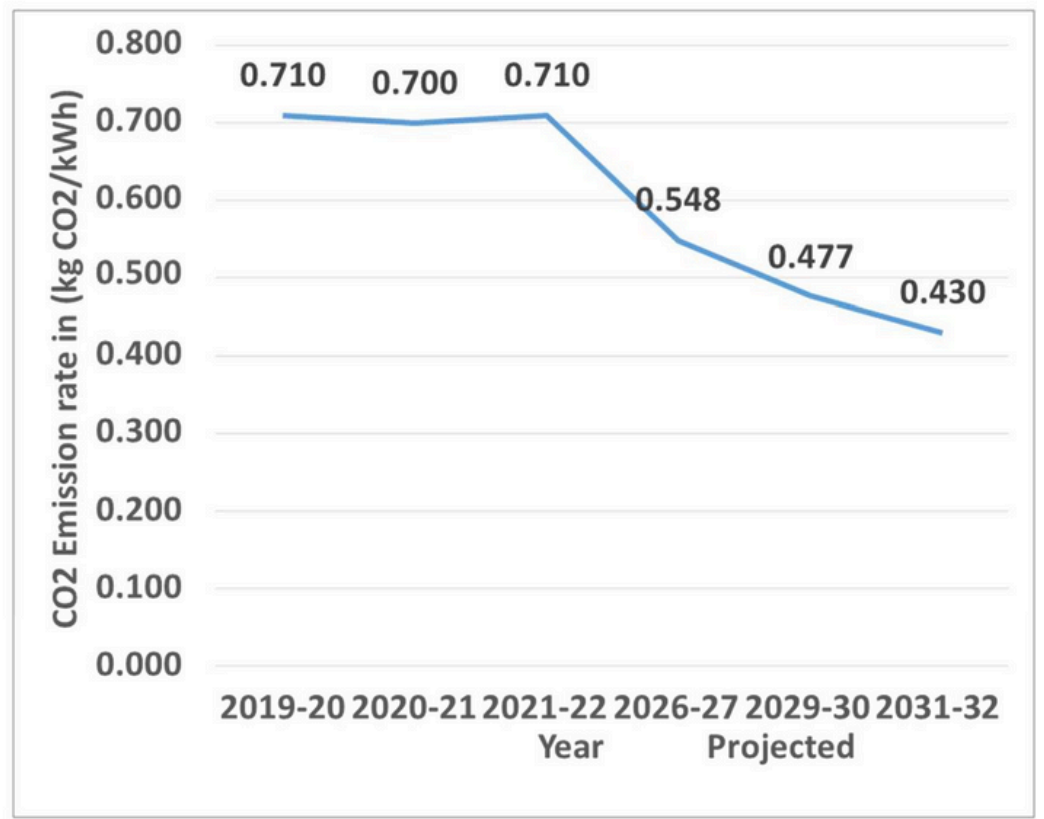
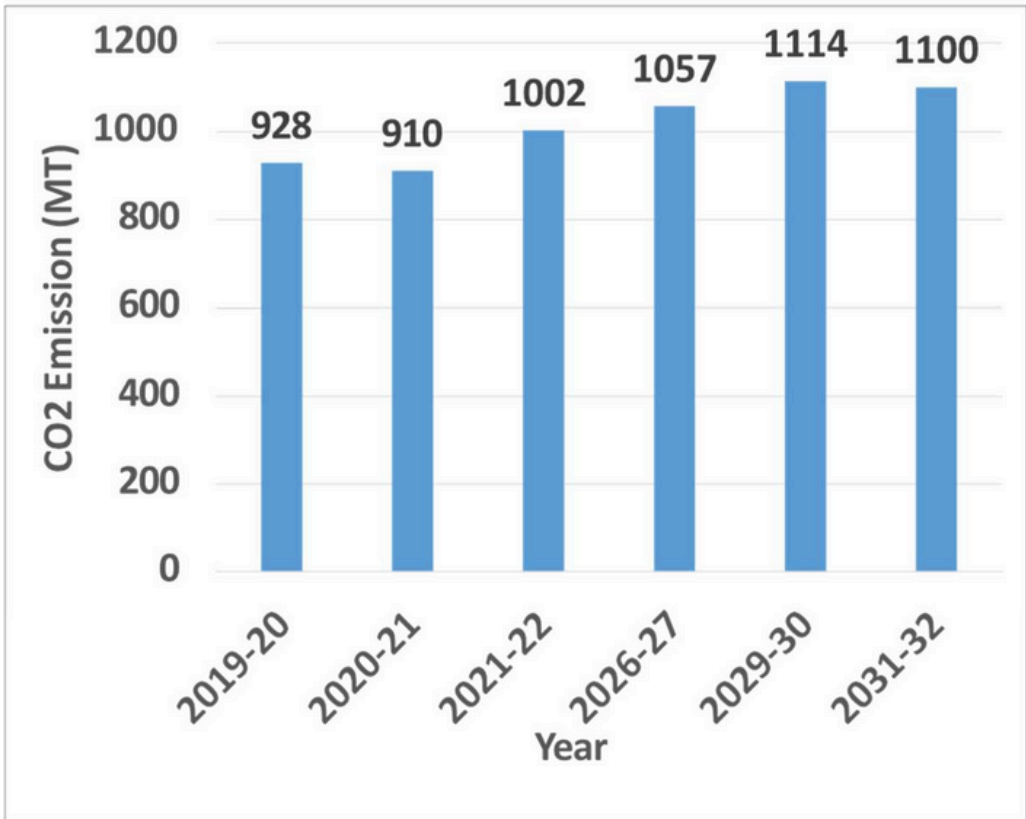
NTPC: Decarbonization Roadmap for Coal-based Power



Coal Power CO2 Footprint (gm CO2/kwh)



Likely Reduction in CO2 Emissions by 2031-32 from Power Sector



CENTRAL ELECTRICITY AUTHORITY



NTPC's Plan for Energy Mix



1 Plans to be a 130GW company by 2032 and annual generation of 600 BU

2 RE portfolio from 3.3 GW at present to 60 GW by 2032

3 Coal would continue as predominant fuel with 65% share of coal-based capacity till 2032 in the portfolio

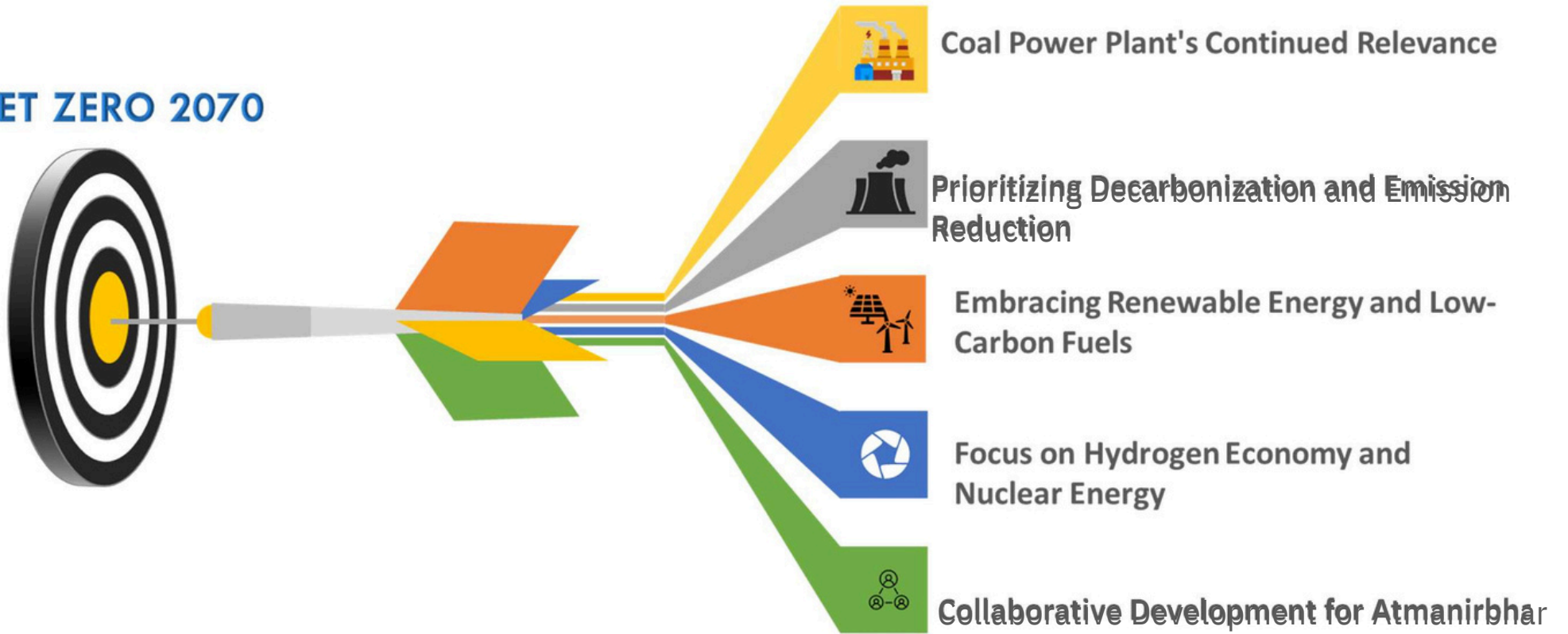
4 2032: Non-fossil fuel-based capacity would achieve a share of 30% and Thermal based generating capacity share would be 70%.

5 2032: Share of RE (including hydro) would be 28%

6 2032: NTPC aims to achieve 10% of the estimated market share for supply of electricity in E-mobility business



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Migratory Birds at NTPC Dadri

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