



Report Launch: Just Transition to Zero-emission Trucking in India

The Lalit, New Delhi | 20th August 2024 | 01:00-05:00 PM

About Climate Policy Initiative (CPI)

CPI is an analysis and advisory organization with deep expertise in finance and policy. Our mission is to help governments, businesses, and financial institutions drive economic growth while addressing climate change. CPI has six offices - Brazil, India, Indonesia, Kenya, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

Background

The shift towards zero-emission trucks (ZETs) in India represents a monumental stride in the country's commitment to achieving net-zero carbon emissions by 2070. While this transition is poised to address energy security and mitigate severe urban air pollution, which plagues many of India's cities. It will also bring forth a paradigm shift for the Indian automotive sector, which contributes 7.1% to the national GDP and employs around 37 million people directly and indirectly. The introduction of ZETs bring about a new demand for specialized skills in the manufacturing and maintenance of electric powertrains, batteries, and advanced electronics. Moreover, given the disaggregated nature of the trucking sector in India and financial challenges faced by truck drivers and mechanics, the shift to ZETs should not exacerbate any existing inequalities.

This necessitates a comprehensive approach that addresses the social and economic dimensions of the shift. It is crucial to ensure that the stakeholders in the current fossil fuel-dependent trucking industry are not left behind. Therefore, a just transition for the trucking ecosystem is required, ensuring that the workforce in the automotive manufacturing industry and the services and after-sales market is adequately equipped to adapt to these changes.

In light of these needs, Climate Policy Initiative will launch its report titled 'Just Transition to Zero-emission Trucking in India'. The report underscores the importance of a fair and equitable shift towards zero-emission trucks, assesses the impact on trucking sector stakeholders and identifies the interventions required from government to support skilling requirements.

Agenda

Date: 20 August 2024

Time: 01:00 – 05:00 PM

Venue: The Lalit, New Delhi

Time	Time Allotted	Agenda	Speakers
1:00 - 2:00 pm	1 hour	Registration and lunch	
02:00 - 02:15 pm	15 mins	Opening remarks	
02:15 - 03:00 pm	45 mins	Panel discussion 1 <i>Topic: Role played by and impact on trucking industry stakeholders in the green transition</i>	<p><i>Moderator:</i> Rahul Bagdia, CMD pManifold</p> <p><i>Panellists:</i> Neha Gupta, Lead- Center for Clean Mobility at OMI Foundation</p> <p>Rajesh Dwivedi, Area Head Govt & Institutional Business at HDFC Bank</p> <p>Chetan Bhardwaj, DGM Corporate Affairs at Olectra Greentech Ltd</p> <p>Sundaresan SA, Head – New Technologies at Ashok Leyland Ltd</p> <p>Sunil Bhatnagar, CXO – Lithium Project at IPLT</p>
03:00 - 03:30 pm	30 mins	Key Findings of the report	
03:30 – 03:40 pm	10 mins	Report Launch	
03:40 – 03:55 pm	20 mins	Address by the Chief Guest	Sh. Sudhendu J Sinha, NITI Aayog
03:55 – 04:45 pm	45 mins	Panel Discussion – 2 <i>Topic: Interventions by the government and the private sector to enable a just transition</i>	<p><i>Moderator:</i> Saarthak Khurana, Senior Manager at CPI</p> <p><i>Panellists:</i> Meenu Sarawgi, EVP & Chief - Strategy & Operations at ASDC</p> <p>Mahesh Rajasekar, Urban Resilience Advisor at CDRI</p> <p>Kritica Mahajan, Campaigns Manager at Purpose</p> <p>Dr Dipti Bapat, National Mission Manager- National Urban Livelihoods Mission at MoHUA</p>
04:45 – 04:55pm	10 mins	Closing Remarks	