

Adani Green Commissions 180 MW Solar Plant In Rajasthan

Why in News?

Adani Green Energy has recently operationalized a 180-MW solar power plant at Devikot in Jaisalmer, Rajasthan.

Key Points

- The plant has a 25-year <u>Power Purchase Agreement (PPA)</u> with the <u>Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI)</u>, Adani Green Energy Ltd (AGEL), India's largest <u>renewable energy</u> company.
- It will produce approximately 540 million electricity units annually, powering over 1.1 lakh homes and reducing around 0.39 million tonnes of CO2 emissions.
 - Next-generation bifacial solar Photovoltaic modules and horizontal single-axis solar trackers (HSAT) have been deployed to maximise generation through better efficiency of modules and tracking the sun throughout the day.
 - HSAT used to increase the generation potential of the sunlight by tracking systems
- The plant is equipped with waterless robotic module cleaning systems, enabling water conservation in the barren region of Jaisalmer.

Power Purchase Agreement (PPA)

- It is a long-term contract between an electricity generator and a customer, usually a utility, government or company.
- PPAs usually last anywhere between 5 to 20 years, during which time the power purchaser buys energy at a pre-negotiated price.
- Such agreements play a key role in the financing of independently owned (i.e., not owned by a utility) electricity generators, especially producers of renewable energy like solar farms or wind farms.

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