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# **TODAY'S IMPORTANT CURRENT AFFAIRS**

## **UPSC PRELIMS**

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### **TODAY'S DROPS OF NEWS:**

<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>IN NEWS</u>
POLITY	
ECONOMY	Share of clean energy in electricity
	still below 30%
GEOGRAPHY	
HISTORY AND ART & CULTURE	
ENVIRONMENT	
SCIENCE & TECH	
MISCELLANEOUS	'Good progress on EU FTA talks,
	less so on ASEAN pact review'

### **ECONOMY**

In news: Share of clean energy in electricity still below 30%

**Clean Energy:** *Clean energy* refers to energy derived from renewable, environmentally friendly sources that produce minimal or zero greenhouse gas

#### emissions.

• Unlike fossil fuels, clean energy sources do not deplete finite resources and have a significantly lower environmental impact.

### India's Status

• Renewable Energy Growth: India ranks among the top renewable energy producers, with over 175 GW capacity achieved by 2023, including solar, wind, biomass, and hydro.

India stands **4th globally in Renewable Energy Installed Capacity**, 4th in Wind Power capacity and 5th in Solar Power capacity

- Ambitious Targets: The goal is to achieve 500 GW of non-fossil fuel capacity and 50% renewable energy in the energy mix by 2030.
- Key Initiatives:
  - National Solar Mission: Aims for 280 GW of solar capacity by 2030.
  - Wind Energy Projects: India has the fourth-largest installed wind capacity globally.
  - **Green Hydrogen Mission:** Promotes hydrogen production using renewable energy for industries.

