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India and Sweden launch LeadIT 3.0 at COP31 to accelerate Low-carbon Industrial Transition

CHENNAI – 18 Nov, 2026 LeadIT as its newest Country Member.

Union Minister for Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Bhupender Yadav, today announced the launch of the third phase of the Leadership Group for Industry Transition (LeadIT 3.0) at the Industry Leaders' Roundtable during the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP31) in Antalya, Türkiye. The roundtable was co-chaired by Yadav and H.E. Helena Dyrssen, State Secretary, Ministry of Climate and Enterprise, Sweden. Also present on the occasion was Selwin Hart, Special Advisor and Assistant Secretary-General, UN Climate Action.

Addressing the gathering, Yadav highlighted that geopolitical conflicts, volatile energy markets and competing development priorities make international cooperation even more important, particularly in hard-to-abate industrial sectors. He emphasised that India's priorities of poverty alleviation, energy access, job creation and infrastructure development must advance alongside its pursuit of a sustainable, low-carbon future.

Highlighting India's climate achievements, the Minister noted that the country has achieved a 37.38% reduction in emissions intensity between 2005 and 2022 and reached 50% non-fossil fuel-based installed electricity capacity, five years ahead of its target. India's additional forest carbon sink has also reached approximately 2.44 billion tonnes of CO_2 equivalent. India's achievements under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi



were given a round of applause and the country's commitment was termed as a guiding light for other Nations in the fight against climate change. India's efforts in decarbonising hard to abate sectors was appreciated by Hart and the European Union.

Recalling LeadIT's progress since its launch by India and Sweden in 2019, Yadav highlighted that its second phase facilitated eleven pre-pilot projects in steel and cement under the India-Sweden Industry Transition Partnership, besides expanding cooperation into low-carbon heavy-duty transport. The projects cover hydrogen-based ironmaking, electrification of industrial heat, carbon capture and utilisation, clinker substitution, industrial circularity and artificial intelligence to reduce cement demand. LeadIT has also supported South Africa's investment plan under the Climate Investment Funds and Ethiopia's engagement on low-carbon cement, he informed.