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Union Environment Minister holds interaction with LeadIT Industry Members and Project Partners

CHENNAI – 13 Nov, 2026 In the run up to participation in UNFCCC COP31 at Antalya (Turkiye), Union Minister for Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Bhupender Yadav held an interaction with industry representatives from hard to abate sectors like steel, cement and transport, and academic research institutes, today in New Delhi.

The gathering brought together Indian member companies of the Leadership Group for Industry Transition (LeadIT), including Tata Steel, JSW Steel, SAIL, Synergy Advanced Metals, Adani Ambuja Cement, Dalmia Cement, JK Cement, JSW Cement, UltraTech Cement, Volvo Group and Spicejet. The participating project partners under the India-Sweden Industry Transition Partnership (ITP) included Jindal Steel and Power Ltd, Prism Johnson, Höganäs India and MyHome Industries. Further, premier research institutions working on low carbon technologies as project partners were also present, including National Council for Cement and Building Materials, IIT Bombay, IIT Bhubaneshwar, IIT (ISM) Dhanbad, IIT Hyderabad and IIT Kharagpur.

Speaking at the interaction, Yadav said, “The MoEFCC and Government of India are committed to support collaborative climate action. LeadIT 3.0 will be an implementation-oriented platform, translating ambition into tangible impact”. He emphasized that India's approach to climate action is firmly rooted in the power of collaboration among government, industry, and academia. The Minister highlighted India’s efforts towards climate action through ambitious policies and programmes.

Chaired an interaction with Indian LeadIT (Leadership Group for Industry Transition) member companies and project partners in New Delhi today. Launched by India and Sweden in 2019 to achieve industrial decarbonisation in heavy and hard-to-abate sectors by, LeadIT brings together 19 countries and 33 companies, including 13 from India. During the interaction, reaffirmed the strong commitment of the Government led by PM @narendramodi ji to LeadIT, with a clear focus on building impactful partnerships for a low-carbon industrial future.

LeadIT industry members and project partners shared their experiences of engaging with LeadIT and highlighted the importance of collaboration with government and academia. Industry members appreciated the support that the platform has provided in formulating project partnerships, assessing technology feasibility and sharing knowledge. Industry representatives also expressed the need for further support for pre-competitive project preparation, pilot projects and capacity building.