

Multi-level climate governance in India: an opportunity structure to strengthen Indian climate and energy policy

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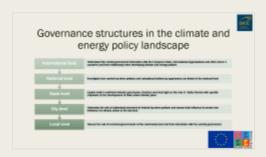
RESEARCH QUESTION

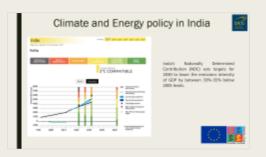
In a multi-level climate governance context, what domestic and external factors determine climate and energy policy outcomes in Indian states?





- Multi-level climate governance
- Climate and energy policy
- Domestic and external factors









Governance structures in the climate and energy policy landscape

International level

Understand the central government interaction with the European Union, International organisations and other Annex 1 countries and their relationship when developing climate and energy policies

National level

Investigate how central top-down policies and subnational bottom-up approaches are linked at the national level

State level

Explore India's multi-level climate governance structure and shed light on the role of states therein with specific emphasis on the development of state action climate plans

City level

Determine the role of authorised personnel in federal top down policies and assess their influence to create own initiatives for climate action at the city level

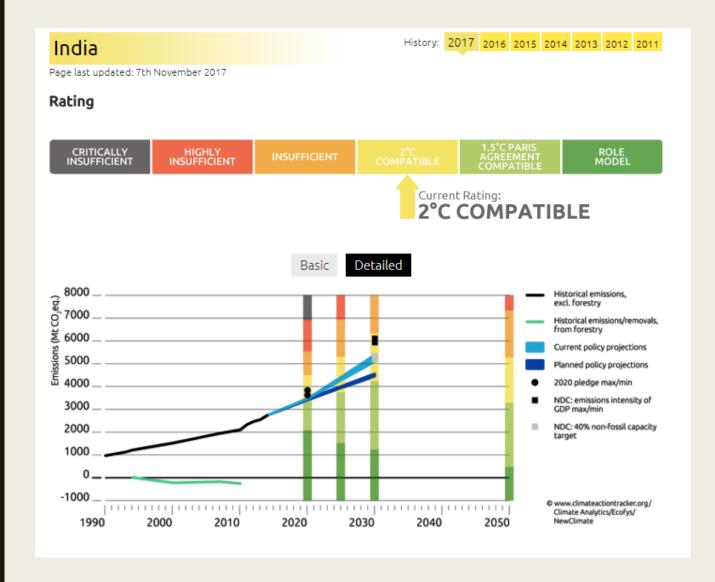
Local level

Discuss the role of sub-local governments at the community level and their interaction with the central government.



Climate and Energy policy in India





- India's Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) sets targets for 2030 to lower the emissions intensity of GDP by between 33%–35% below 2005 levels.
- Climate mitigation vs adaptation





Identifying domestic and external factors

- Actors
- Institutions
- Ideas





Methodology

Case Study

Discourse analysis

In-depth interviews

Observations





Overall Objective

To understand and analyse the role of different levels and actors in climate and energy policy making in Indian states and its corresponding policy outcomes - through the lens of a multi-level climate governance model.

Way Forward

- Develop framework to select states and policy areas
- Assess policy outcomes in selected states
- Preliminary data analysis document

