

Dear Friends of the Council on Energy, Environment and Water,

CEEW completes three years of operations today. We take this opportunity to thank our [Board](#) (Mr Suresh Prabhu, Chairperson, and Mr Jamshyd Godrej, Co-Chairperson), our [International Advisory Board](#), our donors, and our research partners. Through this newsletter, we would like to share our recent achievements with you and reflect on the journey ahead, as outlined in our recently-published [Year-in-review report](#).

It gives us immense pleasure to inform you that on 18 June, CEEW was ranked the [number 1 climate-related think-tank in India](#) and 15th globally by the International Centre for Climate Governance. We believe that this is recognition of our integrated and internationally focused approach. In three years, CEEW has engaged in 40 research projects, published 18 peer-reviewed policy reports and papers, worked in 20 countries, been invited to advise governments around the world 44 times, engaged with the industry dozens of times to encourage investments in clean technologies and efficient resource use, promoted bilateral and multilateral initiatives between governments on 16 occasions, and organised more than 40 roundtables, seminars, workshops and conferences to deepen understanding on pressing global challenges that the world faces today.



### Resource Efficiency and Security

CEEW's latest paper "India's Energy, Food, and Water Security: International Cooperation for Domestic Capacity" was published in a new Brookings Institution book, [Shaping the Emerging World: India and the Multilateral Order](#). Moreover, it is continuing research on energy scenarios for India, strategic industries and technologies for India, and critical mineral resources for India's economy. CEEW also plans to organise dialogues on oil and gas as well as on climate change and energy.

For more information, visit [ceew.in/resources](http://ceew.in/resources).



### Renewables

CEEW conceptualised and designed [a countrywide network on energy access and renewable energy](#) to bring together hundreds of social entrepreneurs to help them scale up operations and impact. It also produced a [paper on storage options for off-grid renewable energy](#). Moving forward, CEEW will assess the impact of green industrial policy in the wind and solar sectors in India and will identify and collate renewable energy applications beyond electricity generation, such as for heating, cooling and mechanical power. We also hosted Dr Farooq Abdullah, Union Minister of New and Renewable Energy, for a session on "Leapfrogging to a clean energy future".

For more information, visit [ceew.in/renewables](http://ceew.in/renewables); [ceew.in/energyaccess](http://ceew.in/energyaccess); [ceew.in/solar](http://ceew.in/solar).



### Water

CEEW is helping the Ministry of Water Resources (through the Asian Development Bank) to identify constraints and opportunities within state governments for implementing the National Water Mission. CEEW also conducted a series of roundtables on urban water management with a range of stakeholders from water utilities, civil society, industry and academia. We are also designing an India National Water Platform for the Ministry of Water Resources and the 2030 Water Resources Group.

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### Integrated Plans

With the aim to encourage business leadership in response to climate change, CEEW developed pathways to reduce GHG emissions and promote sustainability in the Indian cement industry while increasing economic gains for the industry. We also helped the Government of Bihar by developing [a strategy for improved service delivery in minor irrigation schemes](#).

For more information, visit [ceew.in/ewplans](http://ceew.in/ewplans).



### Sustainability Finance

Building on our paper on mobilising private finance for climate change, CEEW designed Results-Based-Financing models for solar water heating and innovation in off-grid business models for the World Bank's Energy Sector Management Assistance Program. CEEW will conduct research to analyse existing climate financing options for India, an imperative to successfully implement its low carbon growth strategy. For more information, visit [ceew.in/susfinance](http://ceew.in/susfinance).



### Energy-Trade-Climate

At the Fourth Clean Energy Ministerial, CEEW organised (with the International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development) a dialogue on reducing trade disputes over clean energy. This was based on a major report on Governing Clean Energy Subsidies authored by CEEW. Our proposals were discussed at the Rio+20 Sustainable Development Summit, at the Global Green Growth Summit in Seoul, by climate negotiators in Bangkok, and trade negotiators in Geneva. For more information, visit [ceew.in/etclinkages](http://ceew.in/etclinkages).



### Technology Horizons

CEEW and its partners (NRDC, IGSD, TERI) published a business case for phasing down HFCs in room and vehicle air conditioning. Besides, CEEW is writing papers on the international governance of geoengineering. For more information, visit [ceew.in/technology](http://ceew.in/technology).



### International Cooperation

CEEW has been participating in the India-U.S. Track II Dialogue on Climate Change and Energy, the India-Pakistan Dialogue on Water, and the India-Israel Forum with the aim to explore synergies across boundaries. Along with Aspen India and WWF India, CEEW hosted H.E., the President of Iceland, Mr Ólafur Ragnar Grímsson for a lecture on climate change and the Himalayan and polar systems.

We look forward to your support, advice and engagement to help us strengthen CEEW and solve more problems.

Very best,

Arunabha Ghosh

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