

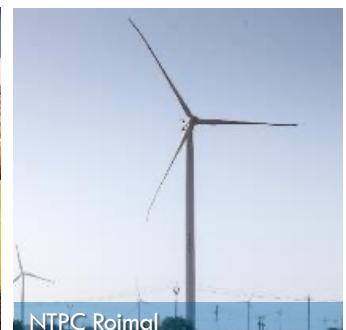
## NUCLEAR RENAISSANCE AND THE ROLE OF SMR IN NET ZERO POWER SYSTEMS



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## India Smart Utility Week 2024

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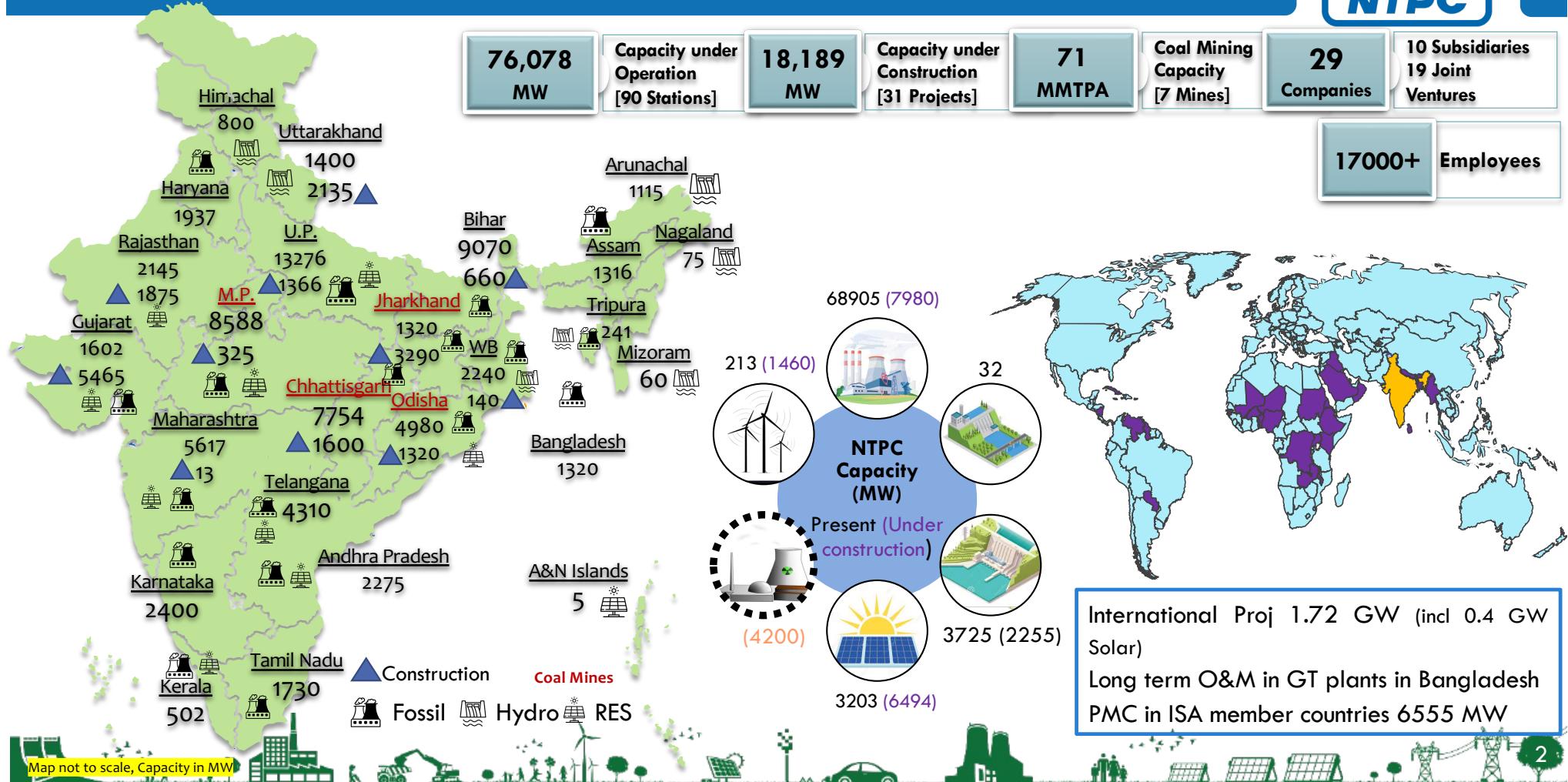
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# Lighting every 4<sup>th</sup> bulb in India since last 25 years

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# NTPC for Conservation of Environment



Biomass Firing

CCU & Methanol

Adapting more efficient thermal cycles  
From 38% (in 90's) to 42% (in ~2010) & aiming  
for 46% (AUSC)

Electric & Hydrogen Bus

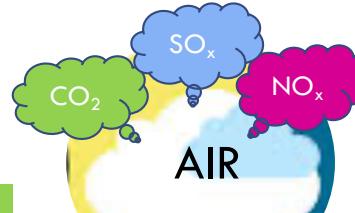
Afforestation

20 million trees till date

Ash Utilization

> 700 LMT ash utilized in last year

Optimum land usage



Combustion Tuning

FGD

Blending H<sub>2</sub> in PNG

Low-NOX Burners

3 GW Completed  
60.6 GW under execution  
1.5 GW under tendering

NTPC Kawas PNG +H<sub>2</sub>



ACC, ZLD, HIGHER COC, AWRS, STP

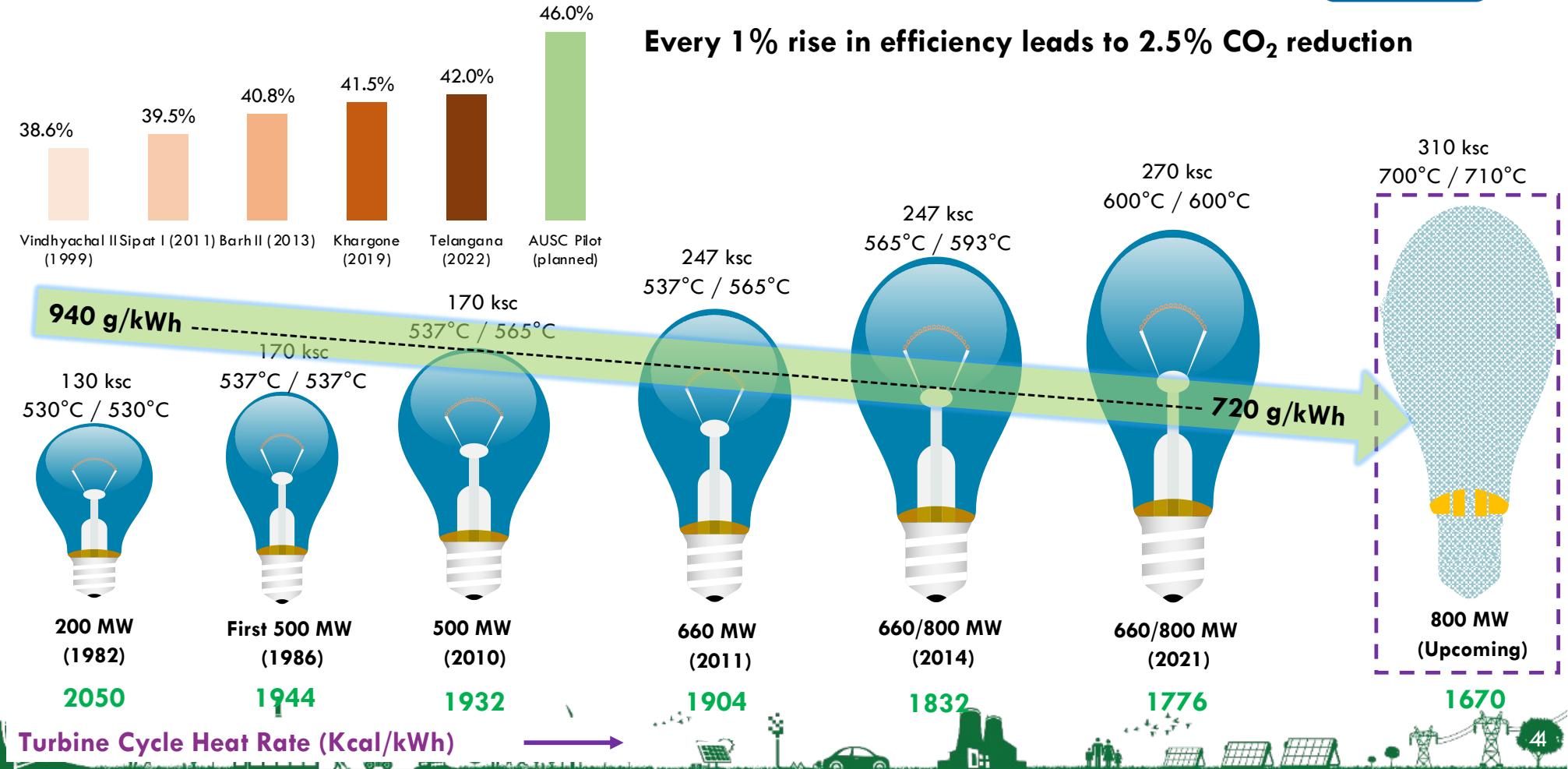
2.69 Litres (fresh water) per kWh in last year  
against norms of 3.5 L/kWh

DESALINATION OF SEA WATER

Desalination of Sea Water at Simhadri



# NTPC - Moving towards Efficient Operations



# Move towards flexibility



Renewable infusion, needs flexibility

Higher Ramp Rate, Lower Technical Min load

NTPC initiatives **Live schedule monitoring, Part-load optimization, Compliance to AGC (Automatic Generation Control) and RGMO/FGMO.**



**Two prominent ones Advanced Process Control and Automatic Mill Scheduler**

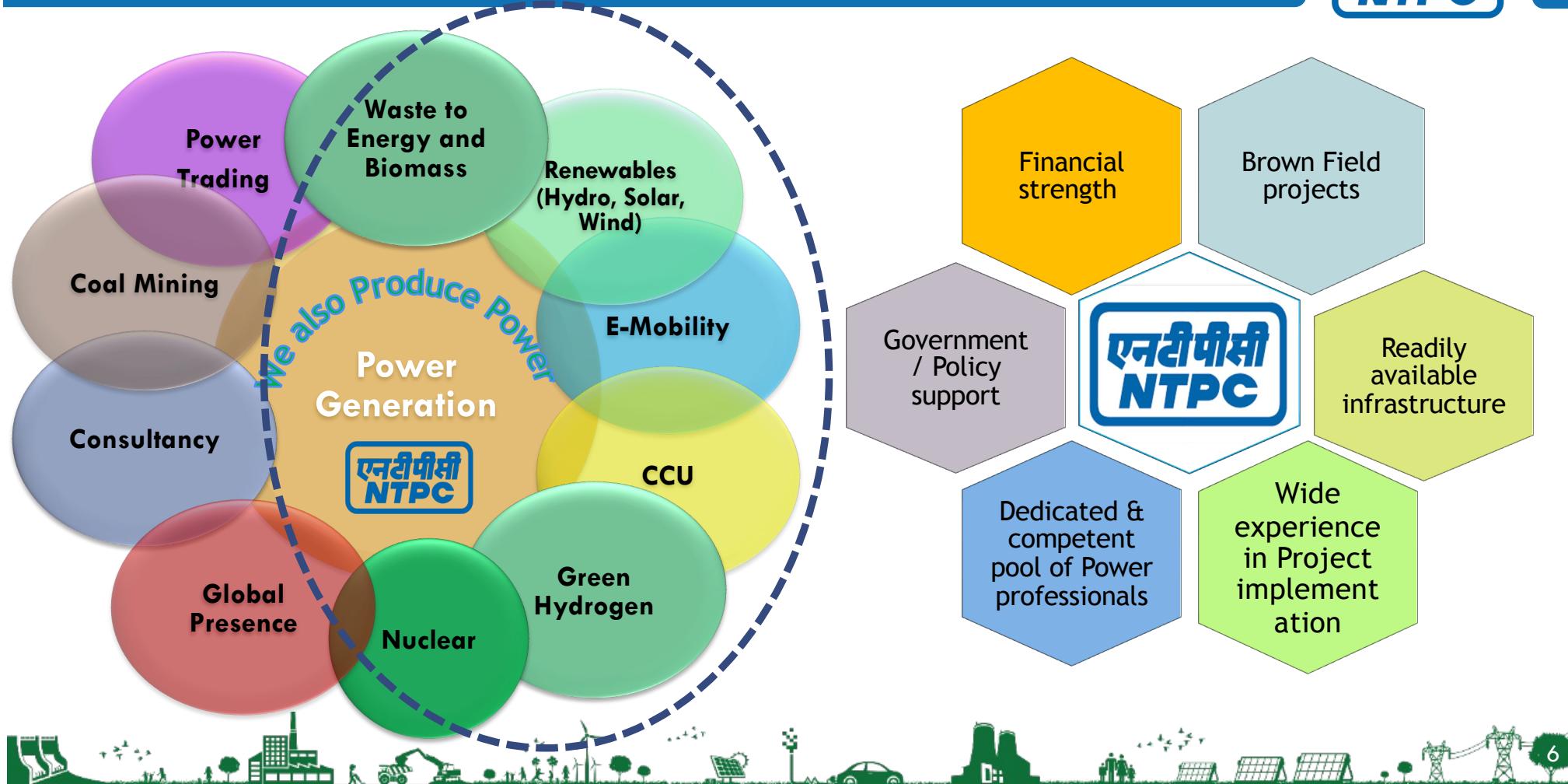
- Implemented in 2020 at NTPC Simhadri TPP
- State Variable Control - Model Predictive Control
- Neural Network Control



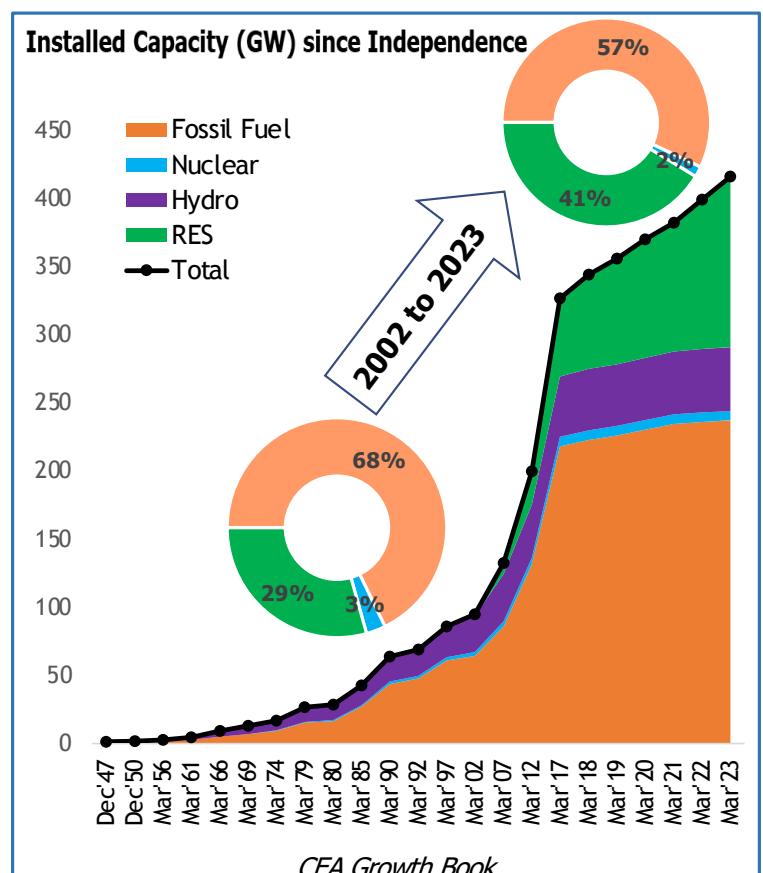
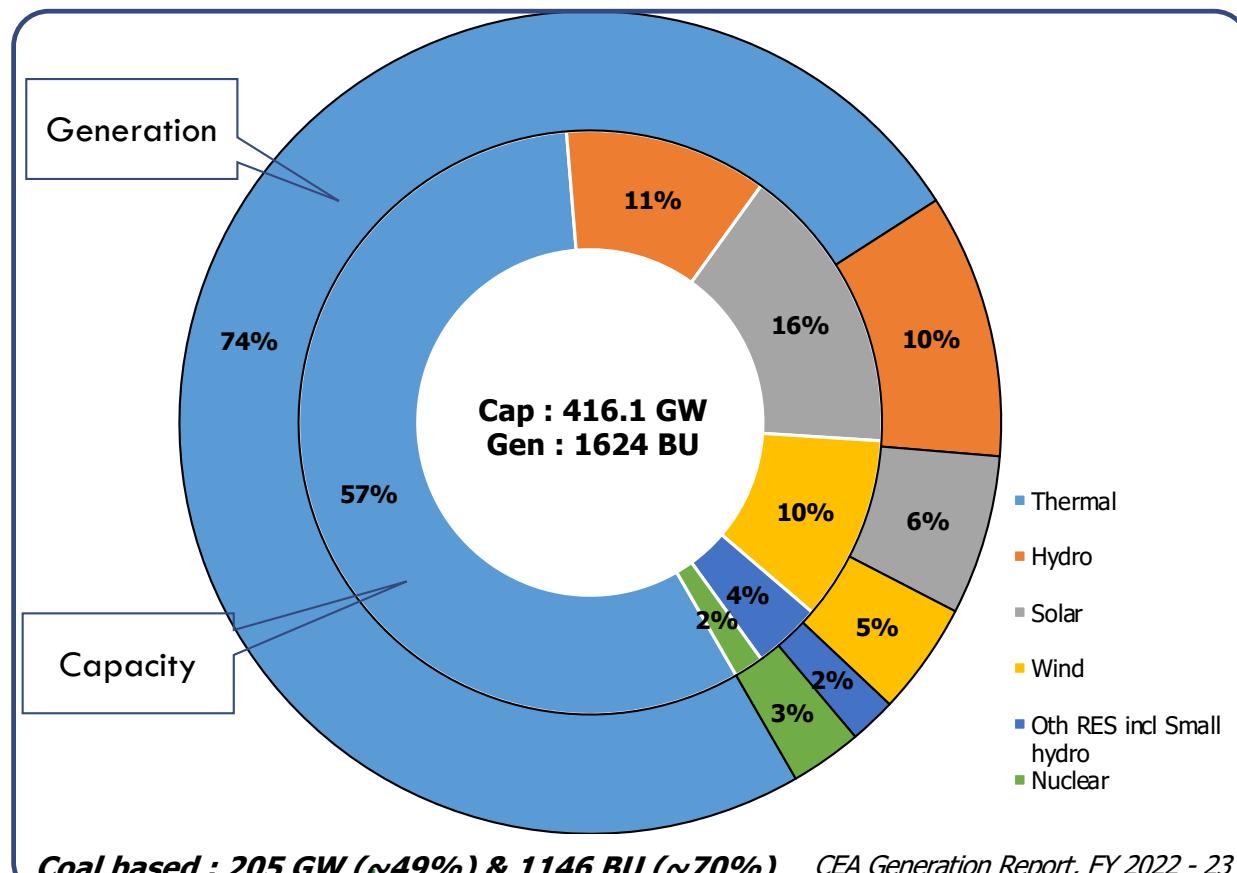
- Implemented in 2022 at NTPC Vindhyachal TPP
- Ramp Rate optimization and Schedule deviation minimization



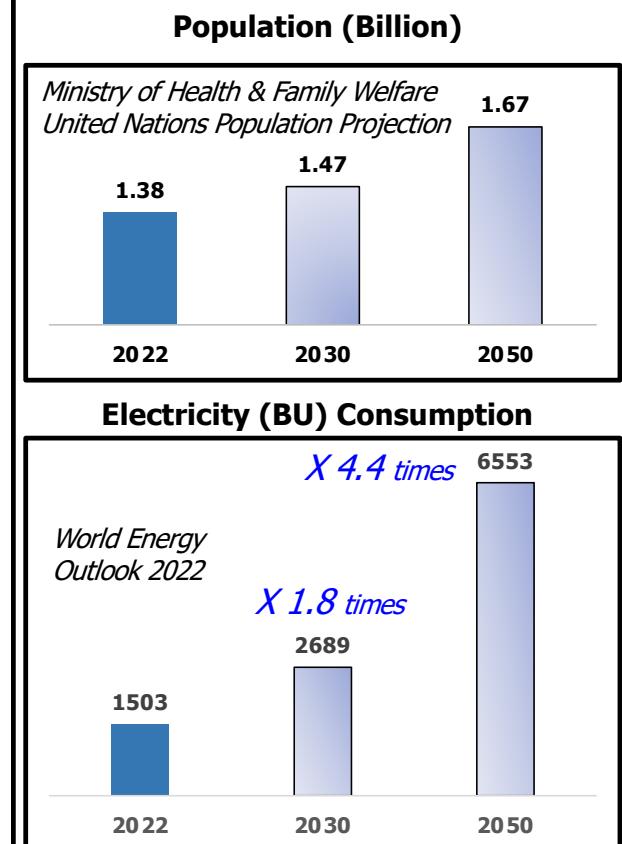
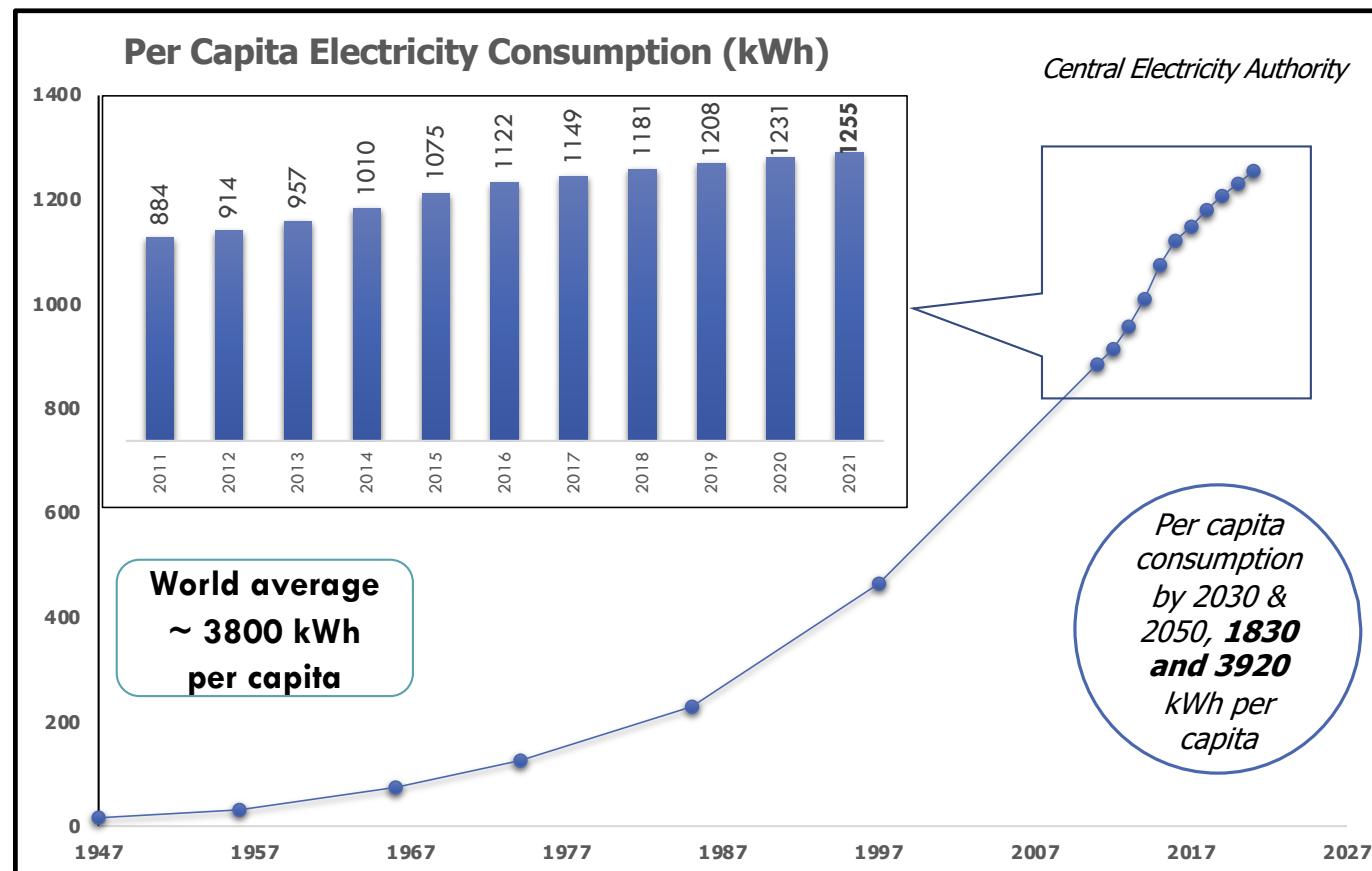
# NTPC Diversified Sectors & Strength



# India Energy Mix – Capacity & Generation

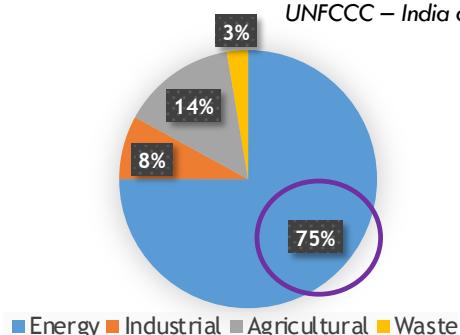


# India - Electricity Consumption

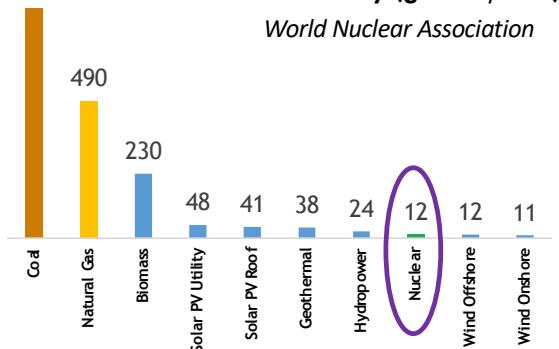


## NEED FOR DECARBONIZATION & NUCLEAR ENERGY

### SECTOR WISE EMISSION (%)



### Lifetime Carbon Intensity (gCO2e/kWh)



Energy Storage systems have limitations.

Hence, requirement for dispatchable power to supplement renewable sources.

**Globally, IEA & IAEA have expressed this.**

### INDIA's PANCHAMRIT

- Carbon Net-zero by 2070
- To increase non-fossil fuel energy capacity to 500 GW by 2030.
- Increase the share of renewables in the energy mix to 50% by 2030.
- Reduce the emissions intensity of its economy by 45%.
- Reduce emissions by 1 billion Tonnes of CO2.

**Nuclear fits into 4 out of above 5 Amrits!**



### India Emergent Situation - 2050

Balance Requirement  
~ 460 BU

Fossil ~ 1500 BU  
(245 GW @ 70%)

Renewables ~ 4600 BU At Full Potentials (@ CUF avg 30%) - MNRE

**6553 BU**

Gross Annual Electricity Demand

\* Internal analysis based on data available

#### Potential RE by MNRE

**Solar : 850 GW (Roof Top Solar 102 GW)**

**Wind : 765 GW (Offshore 70 GW)**

**Small Hydro : 21 GW Biomass : 20 GW Waste : 5.7 GW**

**India's Present Electricity consumption 1624 BU (2022-23)**

**Expected Electricity Consumption 6553 BU (2050) estimated by WEO 2022**

**Total renewable energy potential 4600 BU (30% CUF)**

**For meeting base load demand, Nuclear energy is among the best alternatives – recognized worldwide**

# Exploring Avenues for Nuclear venture



## ROUTES FOR VENTURE

### PHWR (Pressurized Heavy Water Reactor)

- Joint Venture with NPCIL called, ASHVINI
- Fleet mode (10 nos 700 MW reactors) approved by GoI in 2017
- Projects identified for ASHVINI & Project transfer in progress



### SMR (Small Modular Reactor)

- Discussion with BARC for SMR development. Draft MoU approved by NTPC Board
- Possibility of adoption of other technologies being explored



### FBR (Fast Breeder Reactor)

- Technology yet to be proven. Under discussion with IGCAR/DAE for FBTR integration to H<sub>2</sub> generation & Possibility for Fast Neutron based SMR



### PWR (Pressurized Water Reactor)

- Under discussion with DAE for site selection & feasibility study
- Can become commercially viable with complete indigenizing manufacturing and adopting better commercial model



### FUEL (Uranium)

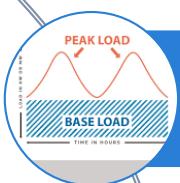
- Under discussion with UCIL for possibility of MoU for exploration of overseas mines
- Draft MoU approved by NTPC Board for due diligence



# Role of SMR



While the utilization of traditional nuclear reactors has limitations, SMRs present a compelling solution with diverse applications and significant environmental benefits.



## Reliable Baseload Electricity

SMRs, as a part of nuclear power, offer a dependable source of low-carbon baseload electricity, aligning with global efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.



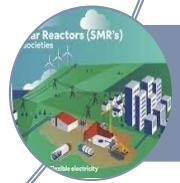
## Diversifying Energy Mix

Enhancing energy security, SMRs play a significant role in diversifying the energy mix, reducing reliance on fossil fuels and mitigating potential supply disruptions.



## Off-Grid Power Supply

SMRs serve as a viable solution for providing consistent power supply to remote communities, bolstering economic development without extensive grid infrastructure.



## Industrial Implementations

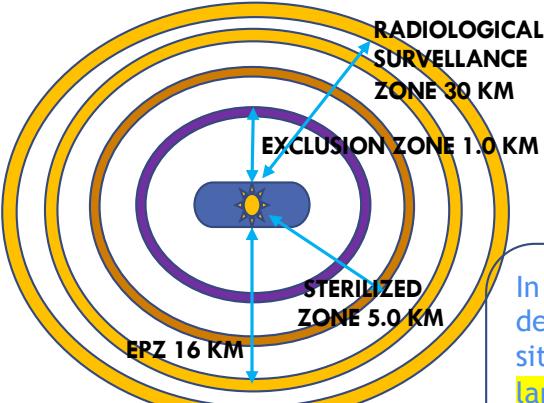
SMRs can be utilized for industrial processes such as desalination, hydrogen production, and district heating, contributing to the reduction of carbon emissions.



# SMR CUTTING EDGE OVER CONVENTIONAL REACTORS



## CONVENTIONAL LARGE SCALE REACTORS



Thick growth of population around the retiring coal plants for job & livelihood. Emergency preparedness involves relocating of people & development of large infrastructures

~~Adopting conventional large reactors in retired coal plants~~

In the current demographic situation, can such large number of sites meeting the safety criteria be identified ??



## SMALL MODULAR REACTORS

PASSIVE COOLING SYSTEM & INFINITE COOLING THROUGH DESIGN

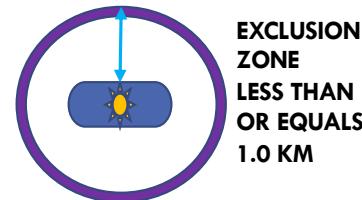
- ✓ PARTIAL PORTION OF SMR UNDERGROUND CONSTRUCTION FOR BRINGING DOWN EXCL ZONE BELOW 1 KM

ENSURES CORE COOLING FOR > 7 DAYS WITHOUT OPERATOR INTERVENTION

RULES OUT CORE MELTDOWN & REDUCES CORE DAMAGE FREQUENCY DRAMATICALLY

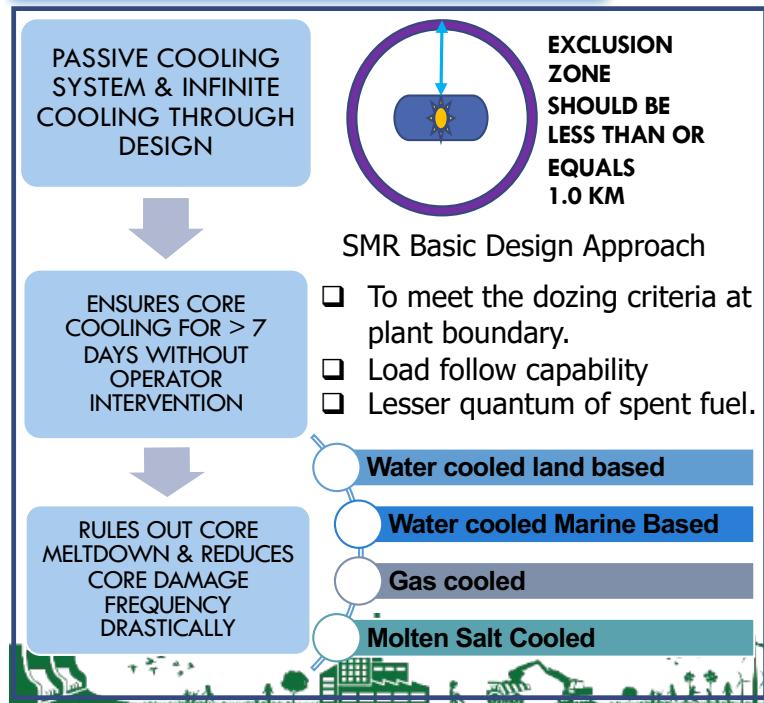
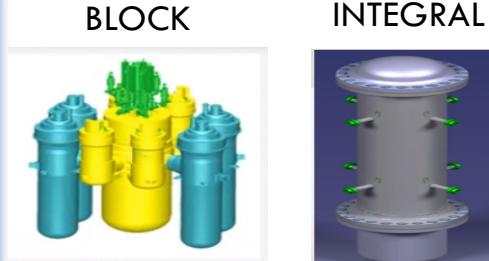
WALK AWAY SAFE

- Minimum public disturbances, with its EPZ boundary as plant boundary
- Modular design with maximum factory construction & enhanced quality standards
- Low gestation period
- Lesser footprint
- Potential to decarbonize industrial and transportation sector
- Repurposing of existing brownfield projects
- Suitable for Micro grid and isolated grid operation



## Small Modular Reactors

- ❖ Reactors with power output between **10 MWe and 300 MWe**
- ❖ **Modular** design saves construction time

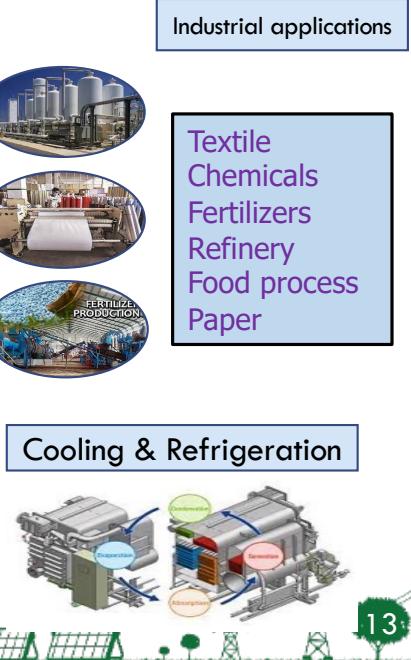
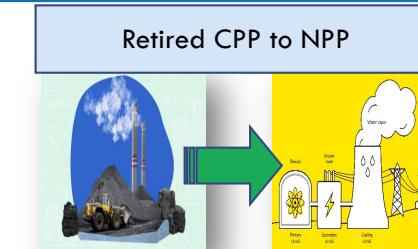


**Majority of SMRs based on PWR design**

Trending Technology  
NuScale (USA),  
ROSATOM (Russia),  
Holtec (USA),  
EDF (France),  
SMART (Korea)



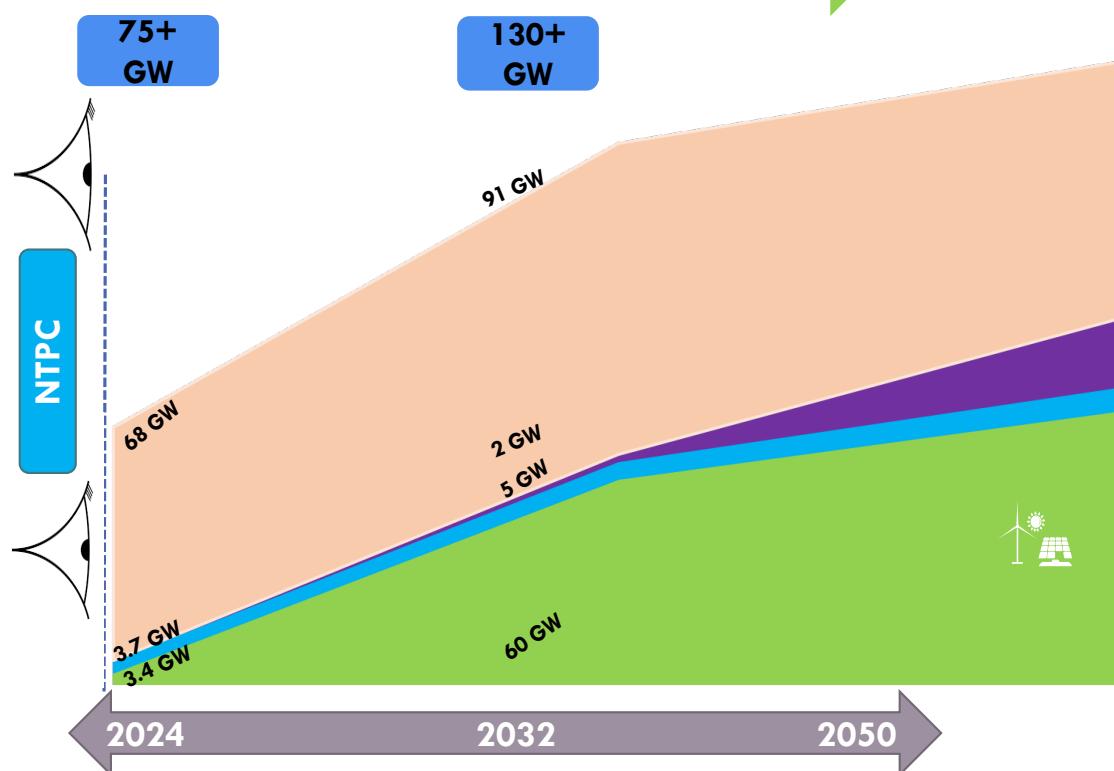
**APPLICATIONS**



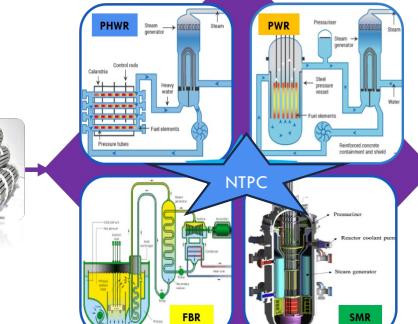
# NTPC pursuing Energy Transition



Fossil Energy Major >>> Green Energy Major



## THERMAL CAPACITY



## NUCLEAR ENERGY

## NUCLEAR CAPACITY

## HYDRO CAPACITY

## RENEWABLE CAPACITY

## RENEWABLE ENERGY





Thank You



# Future Outlook for Enabling advanced reactor technologies



Policy Frameworks	Global Dynamics	Innovative Research	Market Integration	Industrial Applications	Renewable Energy Integration	Environmental Contribution
Comprehensive policy frameworks, integrating regulatory standards, energy security, and long-term sustainability goals.	Geopolitical influences and international cooperation in policy development.	Exploring cutting-edge research and development in advanced nuclear technologies	Assessing economic feasibility and commercial growth potential.	Assessing the applications of nuclear energy in industrial sectors	Examining the synergy between nuclear energy and renewable	Highlighting environmental benefits and emissions reduction through the integration of nuclear energy



# Repurposing Opportunities of retired thermal plants



Source	Potential Capacity	Annual CUF(%)	Capital Cost	Variable Cost	CO2 Emissions (g/kWh)	Remarks
Coal with CCU	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ~ 70 GW Additional land for CCU,H2 & Methanol	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 60-70	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>High</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High Fuel consp	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Electricity for hydrogen production will be higher than the generated for 100% carbon capture and conversion to methanol.
Solar	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ~ 10 GW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 20-25	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moderate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Cannot meet the required demand. Lower capacity utilization – varies through region, season
Wind	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ~ 2 GW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 30-35	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moderate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moderate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Cannot meet the required demand. Wind potential is not available in pit-head stations. Lower capacity utilization – varies through region, season.
Nuclear	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> > 100 GW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 80-90	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>High</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Potential available - Best fit solution for the current demography – cost is primarily capital nature can be optimized – economies of series ( <b>Among Nuclear, SMR has cutting edge over conventional NPP in terms of Radiological safety requirement</b> )



## Different SMR Technologies World Wide



S.N	Design	Output (MWe)	Type	Config.	PHT circulation	Designer	Country	TRL > 5
1)	CAREM	30	PWR	Integral	Natural	CNEA	Argentina	✓
2)	ACP100	100	PWR	Integral	Forced	CNNC	China	✓
3)	NuScale	77	PWR	Integral	Natural	NuScale Power	USA	✓
4)	SMART	107	PWR	Integral	Forced	KAERI	Korea	✓
5)	CAP200	200	PWR	Block	Forced	SPIC	China	✓
6)	NUWARD	170	PWR	Integral	Forced	EDF	France	✗
7)	IMR	350	PWR	Integral	Natural	MHI	Japan	✗
8)	RITM-200	53	PWR	Integral	Forced	JSC	Russia	✓
9)	VK-300	250	BWR	Integral	Natural	NIKIET	Russia	✓
10)	BWRX-300	270-290	BWR	Integral	Natural	GE-Hitachi	USA, Japan	✗
11)	SMR-160	160	PWR	Semi Integral	Natural	Holtec	USA	✓

