NITI Aayog has launched the **India Energy Portal (IEP)** (<u>www.indiaenergy.gov.in</u>) which presently houses its flagship initiative India Energy Security Scenarios (IESS) 2047, with new added features and content.

An offering of the Energy Division of NITI Aayog, the Portal is intended to provide a common platform for all energy related data and research from different sources across the country. The portal aims to reach not only policy makers, but to a wider audience who want to get an overview of India's energy scenario. This is a platform where even a novice can gain basic understanding of India's energy sector. It is aimed to be a source that researchers/energy enthusiasts can use to get access to Indian energy databases and reports.

One of the key objectives of this Portal is to provide its users integrated energy data across India's supply and demand sectors. Robust energy data is essential to formulate and analyze policies for promoting energy security and sustainable development. Presently, energy data lies dispersed with line energy ministries/departments both on demand and supply sides. This makes it strenuous to integrate energy data. The India Energy Dashboard which is being developed by NITI Aayog in collaboration with its knowledge partner, Prayas Energy Group, will be housed on this Portal once it is ready over the next few months. The dashboard will provide a panoramic view of supply as well as consumption sectors.

The Portal features a Newsroom that will regularly host updates on the NITI Aayog's energy related work such as development of the National Energy Policy, creation of State Energy Calculators, Global Energy Dialogues, National Energy Data Management and Modeling, GIS mapping of energy sources and consumption centers, studies on the nexus of energy with water and food, building energy efficiency, etc. In future, the Portal will also accommodate outcomes of other efforts of NITI Aayog's Division such as Integrated Energy Data Dashboard, GIS findings and other significant research reports.

The Energy Division of NITI Aayog has over the years also strived to harness competencies of the best in class energy think-tanks in India and overseas, towards devising a sustainable and secure energy pathway for the country. Through this pursuit, it has provided knowledge inputs to line energy Ministries/Departments, both on the demand and supply sides. As India increasingly confronts energy security and energy related air quality challenges, there is a need to respond with innovative knowledge based solutions. The Portal also houses the multiple initiatives and efforts of the Energy Division through these different collaborations with domestic and international agencies.

This Portal would continuously evolve and upgrade both its content and features over time and welcomes suggestions and comments from users to improve and upgrade the platform.