

# Headlines at a Glance - 14th September 2021

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## **India, US launch Climate Action and Finance Mobilization Dialogue**

India and the United States on Monday (September 13, 2021) jointly launched the Climate Action and Finance Mobilization Dialogue (CAFMD) of the Agenda 2030 Partnership. The Union Cabinet Minister for Environment, Forest & Climate Change Bhupender Yadav met US Special Presidential Envoy for Climate John Kerry and stated that CAFMD will provide both countries with an opportunity to renew collaborations on climate change. Currently India's installed power capacity is projected to be 476 GW by 2021-22 and is expected to rise to at least 817 GW by 2030. Mr. Kerry is on an official visit to India from September 12-14 and is meeting ministers and industrialists to "raise global climate ambition and speed India's clean energy transition," according to a communique from the U.S. State Department.

SOURCE: The Hindu

## **Govt to start PM Adarsh Gram Yojna covering 36 thousand villages**

Union Tribal Affairs minister Arjun Munda said that his ministry would start Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojna covering 36 thousand villages across the country. Talking to newsmen in Guwahati, Mr. Munda said that those villages with 50 percent tribal population would be given priority under it. He said that 1,700 tribal villages in Assam will be converted into model villages. The Minister said that another 184 new Van Dhan Kendra to be set up in the state that would benefit nearly 60 thousand people. He also said that his ministry is working for the empowerment of the tribal people of the country.

SOURCE: The Indian Express

## **Iran to allow nuclear surveillance by IAEA**

Iran is to allow the U.N. nuclear watchdog to service monitoring cameras at Iranian nuclear sites after talks on Sunday with IAEA head Rafael Grossi, according to the head of Iran's atomic energy body and a joint statement. The talks with International Atomic Energy Agency chief Grossi were aimed at easing a standoff between Tehran and the West just as it threatens to escalate and scupper negotiations on reviving the Iran nuclear deal. The IAEA said this week that there had been no progress on two key issues: explaining uranium traces found at old, undeclared sites and getting urgent access to monitoring equipment so the agency can continue to keep track of parts of Iran's nuclear program as per the 2015 deal.

SOURCE: The Hindu, CNBC

## **PM Modi to attend Quad summit in Washington**

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will participate in the Quad leaders' summit in Washington on September 24, the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) announced recently. The prime minister is also scheduled to address the 'General Debate' of the high-level segment of the 76th session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) on September 25 in New York, it said. It said the leaders will review progress made since their first virtual summit on March 12 and discuss regional issues of shared interest. It also said the leaders will also exchange views on contemporary global issues such as critical and emerging technologies, connectivity and infrastructure, cyber security, maritime security, humanitarian assistance, disaster relief, climate change and education.

SOURCE: Business Standard