



# India's Net-Zero Mission: Can CCUS Make a Difference?

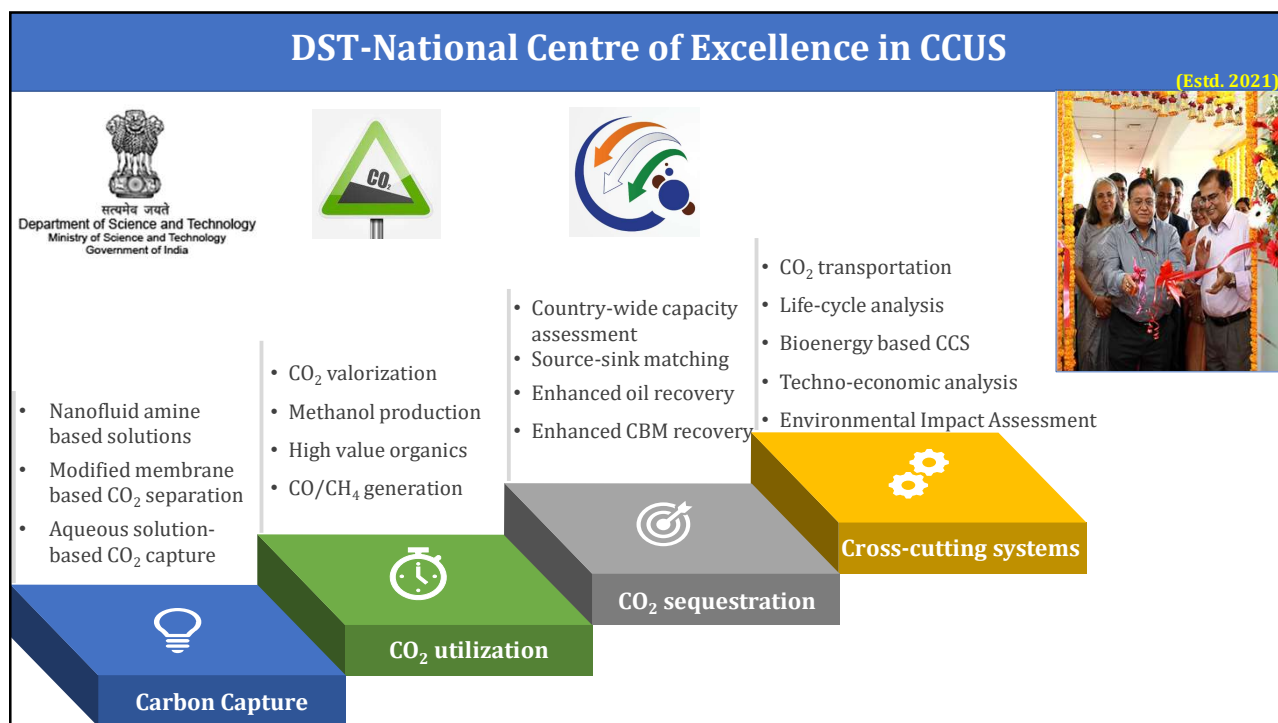
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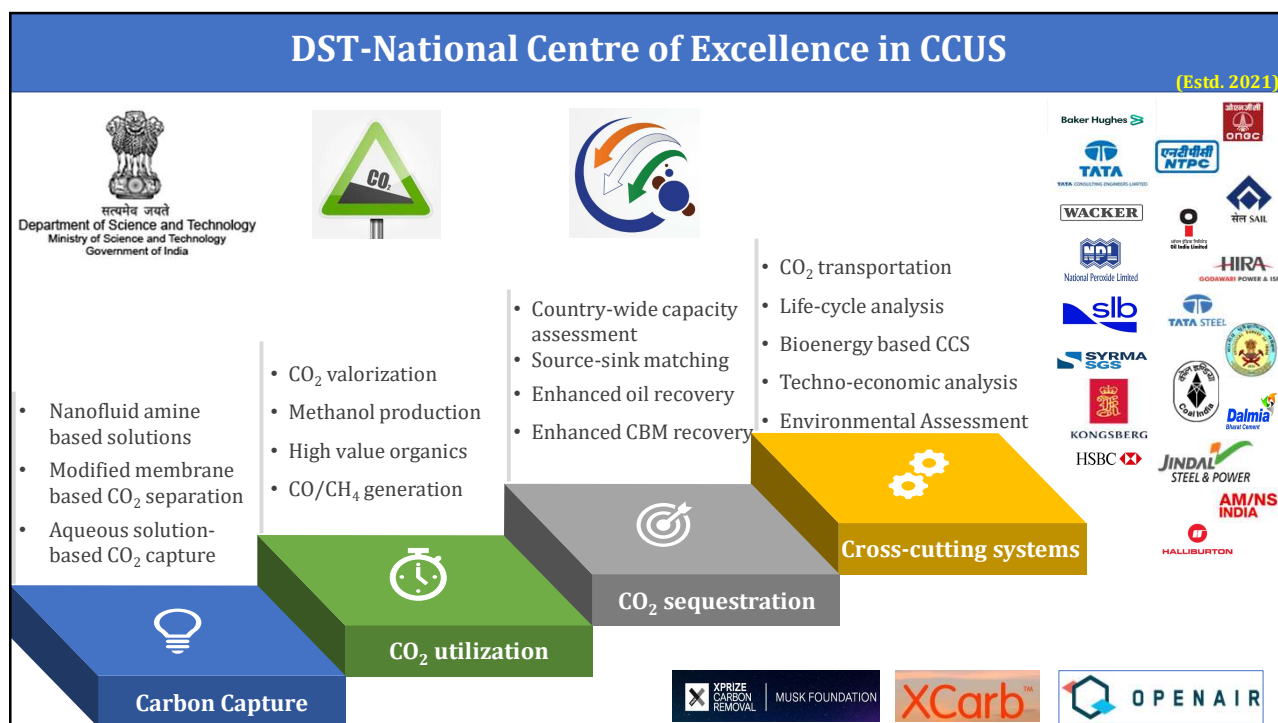
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## India's first CO<sub>2</sub> Capture from Power plant: IITB-NTPC study

- Pre-Feasibility studies for 60,000 tonnes per annum CO<sub>2</sub> capture
- Feasibility and engineering for CO<sub>2</sub> conversion to green chemicals
- Feasibility for large scale CO<sub>2</sub> capture for enhanced oil recovery

**NTPC Energy Technology Research Alliance**

**PROJECT PROPOSAL**

1. PROJECT TITLE : Feasibility and Engineering Design for Zero Carbon Emissions - CO<sub>2</sub> capture from coal fired plant and its utilisation into green products

2. PROJECT INITIATOR : Prof. Vikram Vishal, IIT Bombay

**Process Design Package**  
For  
600 TPA CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Plant  
Submitted To  
National Thermal Power Corporation Limited  
NTPC, Noida.  
By  
Indian Institute of Technology Mumbai  
Powai, Mumbai

**Feasibility Engineering Report**  
For  
600 TPA CO<sub>2</sub> Conversion to Methanol  
Submitted To  
NTPC Limited  
Noida - NTPC, Noida.  
By  
Indian Institute of Technology Mumbai  
Powai, Mumbai  
A  
CARBON CLEAN ENERGY LIMITED  
47 Connaught Place, New Delhi  
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### Business Standard

## NTPC starts capturing CO<sub>2</sub> from flue gas stream at Vindhyachal plant

The power major has also forayed into a variety of business areas, in cells, e-mobility and waste-to-energy

**Topics**  
NTPC | Carbon dioxide | thermal power plants  
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## UrjanovaC – A Clean Energy and Net-Zero Solutions Company

**Direct Air Capture**

**Industrial Flue Gas**

**CO<sub>2</sub>**

**Catalytic Module**

**Industrial Wastewater**

Operates with variable CO<sub>2</sub> sources

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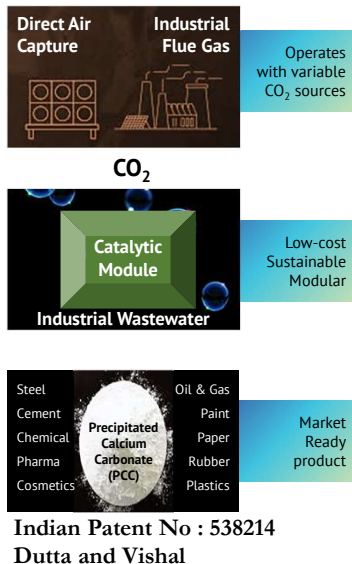
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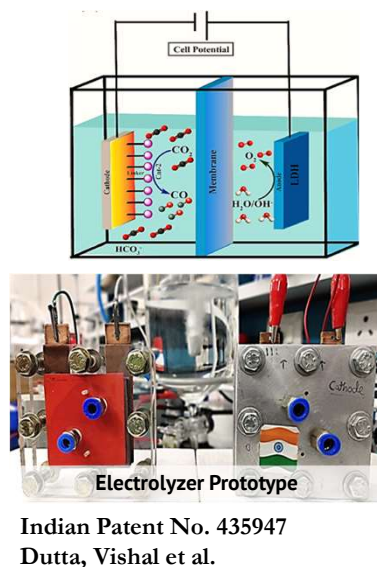
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## Steel sector decarbonization efforts led by IIT Bombay

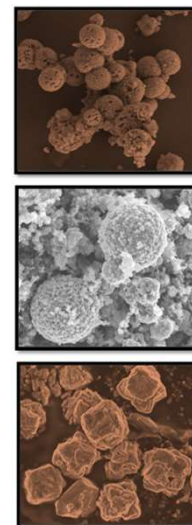
### Steel Slag to $\text{CaCO}_3$ using captured $\text{CO}_2$



### Sustainable and Low energy $\text{CO}_2$ to CO conversion

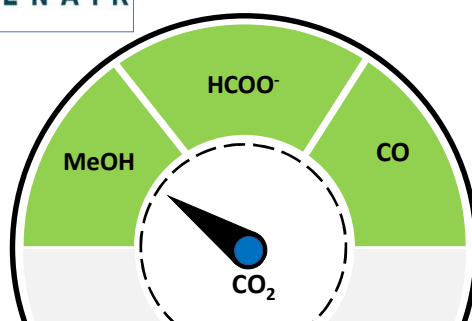


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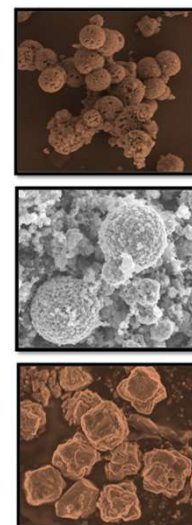
## $\text{CO}_2$ conversion: Producing Commercially Viable Products



- Producing combinations of CO, Methanol, and Formate
- Works in aqueous bicarbonate solution
- Tunable reactivity for product formation

Is it really possible to convert all the captured  $\text{CO}_2$ ?

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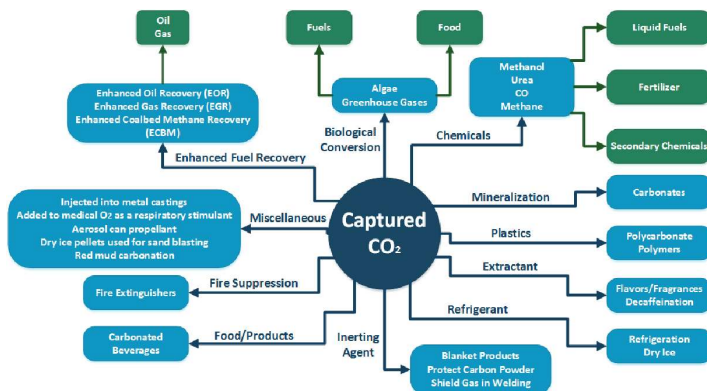
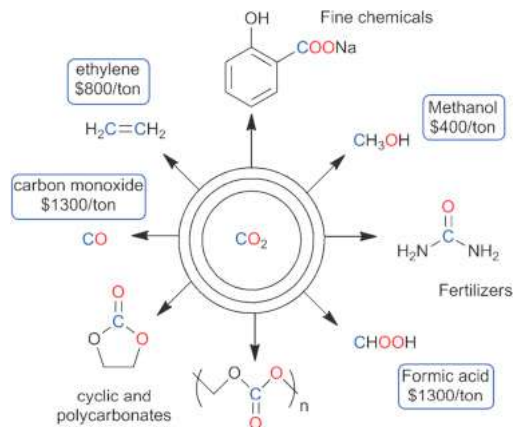


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## CO<sub>2</sub> utilization strategy

### Chemical transformation



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### Current Status

Multi-modular retrofittable units convert captured CO<sub>2</sub> to high-value chemicals & can be customized as per industry needs.



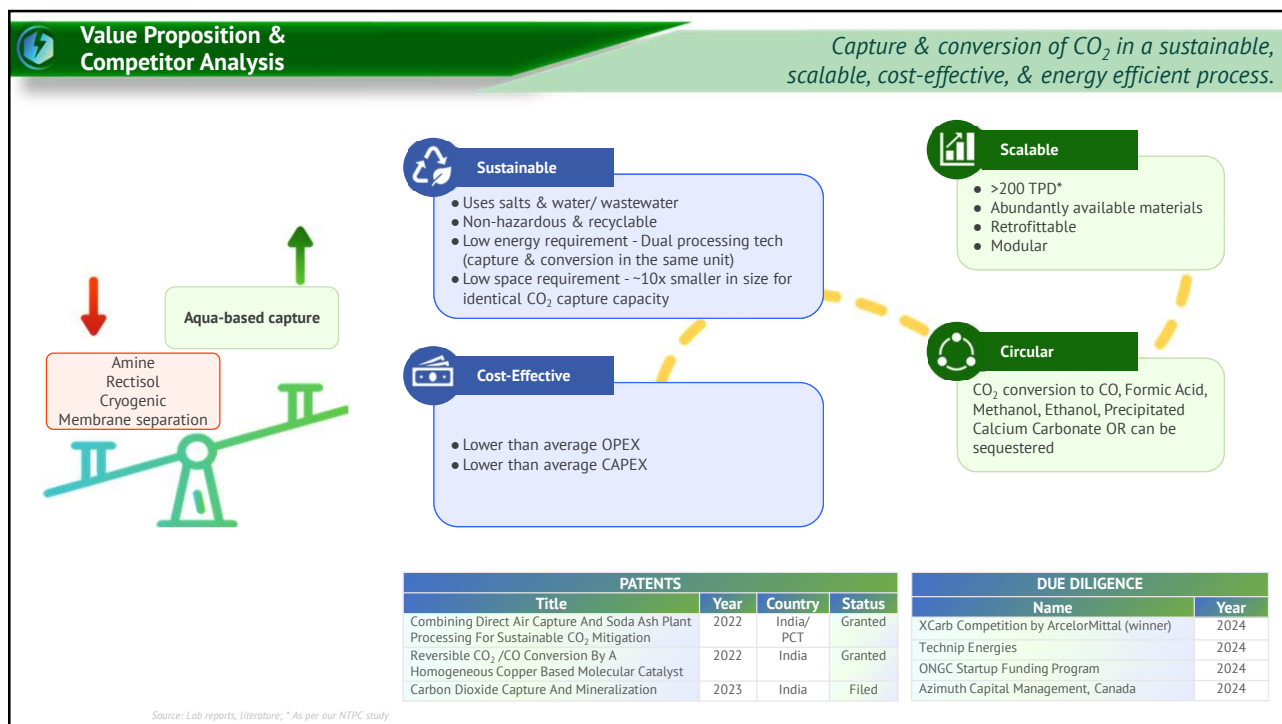
- A 3 TPD pilot ready for commissioning
- TRL - 6 test successfully completed



#### For 1 TPD CO<sub>2</sub> Capture:

- Treated flue gas: 500 Nm<sup>3</sup>
- Catalyst required: 10.0 kg
- CaCl<sub>2</sub> required: 2.5 ton
- NaOH required: 1.0 ton
- CaCO<sub>3</sub> produced: 2.25 ton
- Water required: 5000 L
- Catalyst recycling: 10,000 times
- Area requirement: 5 m x 5 m
- Low energy requirement
- System can handle up to 10,000 ppm (1% v/v) NO<sub>x</sub>
- Removes SO<sub>x</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub> simultaneously
- Overall CO<sub>2</sub> capture: > 90%

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## Large scale CO<sub>2</sub> mitigation

What is  
**CCS?**

CO<sub>2</sub>  
CAPTURE &  
STORAGE



CO<sub>2</sub> EMITTER



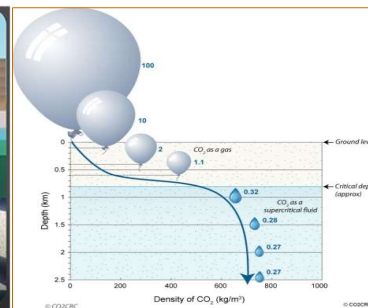
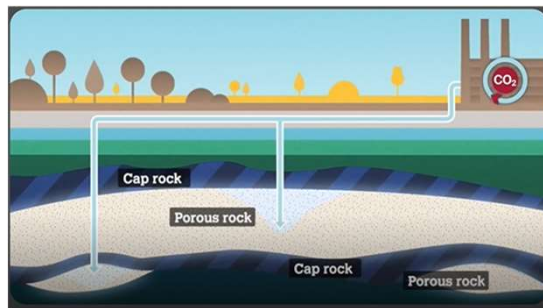
CAPTURE



TRANSPORT



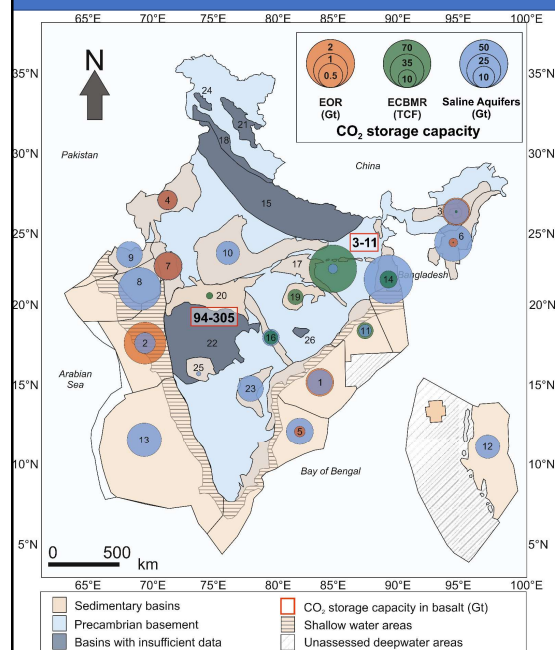
INJECTION



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## CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Potential in India – DST's Mission Innovation CCS Challenge



- Enhanced oil recovery: 3.4 Gt
  - Enhanced coalbed methane recovery: 3.7 Gt
  - On-shore/Off-shore saline aquifers: 291 Gt
  - Basalt Formations: 97 – 316 Gt
- Total: 395 – 614 Gt**

*Vishal et al., 2021, A systematic capacity assessment and classification of geologic CO<sub>2</sub> storage systems in India. International Journal of Greenhouse Gas Control, Vol. 111, p.103458.*

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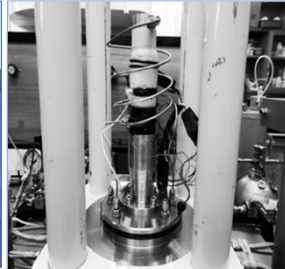
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## Multi-Scale Investigation: Regional to Core to Pore Scale



Collection of samples/data



Create sub-surface in lab



Mercury Intrusion Porosimeter



Core Saturator



Low Pressure Gas Adsorption setup



Gas Permeameter



Deformation Test



Pulse Decay Permeameter

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High pressure, high temperature, multi-phase flow-storage-deformation studies including the dynamic breakthrough



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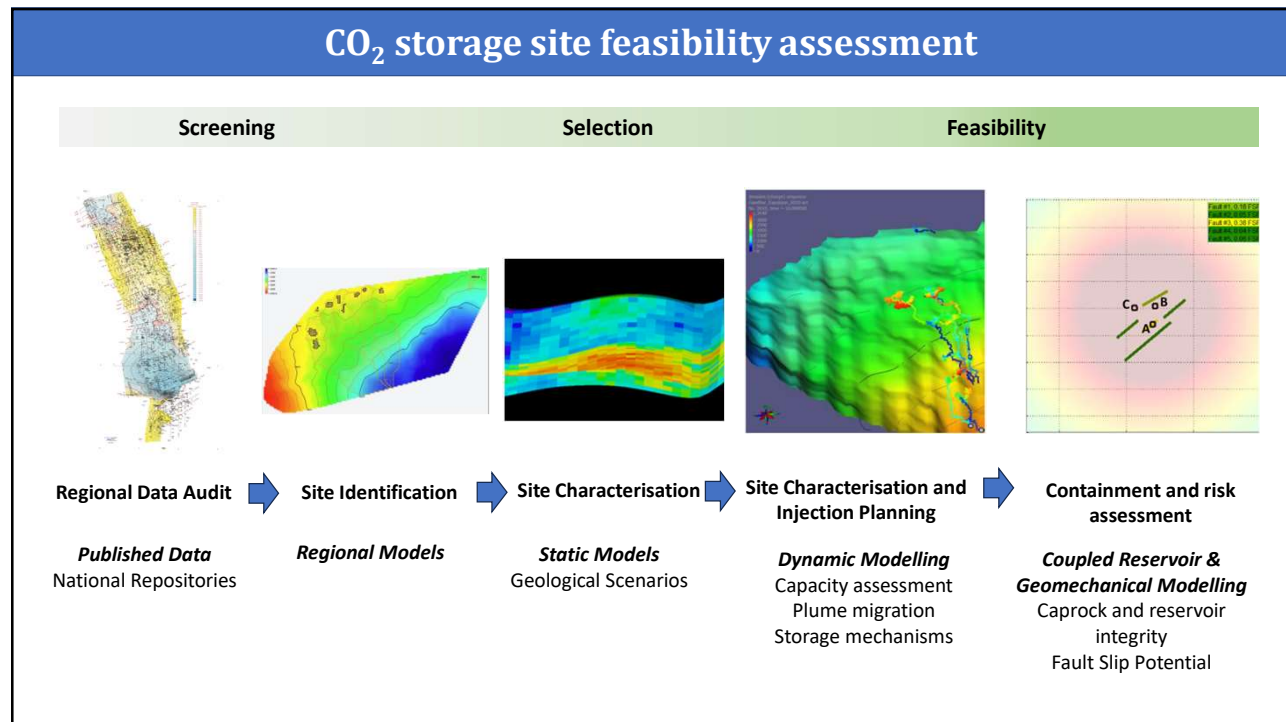
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## CO<sub>2</sub> storage site feasibility assessment



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## Detailed Assessment of CO<sub>2</sub> storage potential

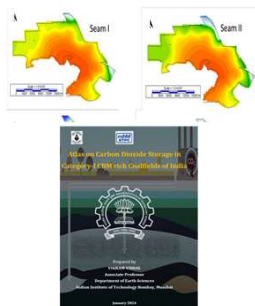
<p><b>DST NCoE-CCU</b> (DGH/SLB/Halliburton)</p> <p>Screening, storage &amp; migration modelling for CO<sub>2</sub> enhanced oil recovery in a mature oilfield in India</p> <p><b>India Centric Site Screening Criteria Developed</b></p>	<p><b>MoPNG – CoE-OGE</b> (Oil India Limited/ BPRL)</p> <p>Estimation of CO<sub>2</sub> storage potential in select hydrocarbon fields of North East India</p> <p><b>An integrated risk-assessment framework being developed</b></p>	<p><b>ONGC</b></p> <p>Assessment of CO<sub>2</sub> storage potential, risk and life cycle analysis in select fields of ONGC</p> <p><b>Inhouse Assessment Tool for Life-Cycle of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions</b></p>	<p><b>Geological Survey of India</b> (Carbfix, Virginia Tech, PNNL)</p> <p>Assessment of suitability of four lower formations of Sahyadri Group, Deccan Volcanic Province for CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration.</p> <p><b>Early evidences of mineral carbonation in basalts</b></p>
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## Detailed Assessment of CO<sub>2</sub> storage potential

### MoP-NITI-NTPC

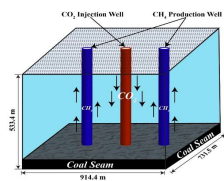
A pre-feasibility assessment of CO<sub>2</sub> storage in Category-I CBM rich coalfields of India



Geological CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Atlas for coal developed

### Min of Coal/ Coal India Limited

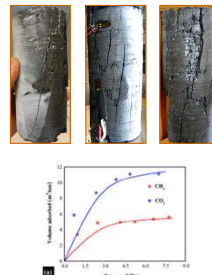
Reservoir characterization and numerical modeling of coal reservoir for CO<sub>2</sub> enhanced CBM recovery.



Capacity and Regions of CO<sub>2</sub> enhanced CBM recovery provided

### Tata Steel Limited

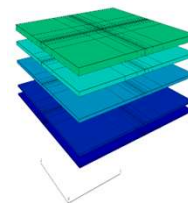
A scoping level assessment of CO<sub>2</sub> storage in coal seams of Jharia group of collieries.



Capacity for CO<sub>2</sub> storage estimated as ~44 Mt

### MoSteel/ SAIL / GEECL/ ESSAR

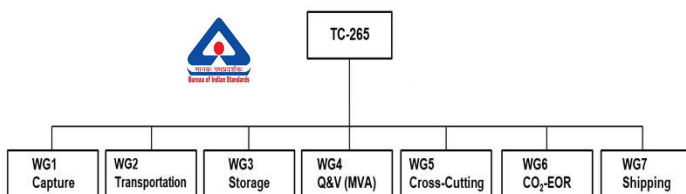
Reduction of Carbon Footprint: CO<sub>2</sub> capture, storage and utilisation from Steel Plant.



An integrated approach for translation of CCUS technologies in steel sector

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## Key Technical Interventions in CCUS Ecosystem in India



Inter-Ministerial Technical Committees for the Implementation of CCUS projects in India, **NITI Aayog**

Committee for the development of Carbon Market Framework, **Ministry of Power**

Mission on Advanced and High Impact Research (MAHIR), **Min of Power and MNRE**

Member, Taskforce on CCUS, **Ministry of Steel**

Taskforce for implementation of CCUS for EOR, **ONGC**

Upstream for Carbon Capture, Utilization and Storage, **Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas**

CCUS Roadmap of India, **TIFAC, DST**

High-level Task Force for paving DST's Future Roadmap for accelerating CCUS in India, **DST**

CCUS Technology Gaps and International Collaboration, G-20 Presidency Report, **Ministry of Power/NTPC/Dastur**

CCUS Policies and business models, **International Energy Agency**, France

CCUS handbook for policymakers, **Bureau of Energy Resources**, Govt of USA

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## Contributions to CCUS Patents, Atlas, Roadmaps, Research Briefs, Op-Eds and Handbook



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