

Global action for Reconciling Economic growth and Environmental preservation (GREEN)

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In news

NTPC Ltd. enters into a foreign currency loan agreement with Japanese Government's financial institution for JPY 50 billion under GREEN initiative

A brief note on the agreement

- As per the agreement, **Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC)** will provide 60% of the facility amount and the balance will be given by commercial banks of Japan under JBIC guarantee.
- The facility is extended under JBIC's outreach for projects, which ensure the conservation of the global environment.
- The loan proceeds will be utilized by NTPC Ltd, the PSU under Ministry of Power, for funding its capex for Flue Gas Desulphurization (FGD) & Renewable Energy projects.
- FGD, substantially reduces the SO_x emission in the flue gases of thermal power plants and is a critical step towards environmental sustainability.

About GREEN initiative

JBIC responds to global environmental problems by promoting growth of developing countries under its environmental operations called "**Global action for Reconciling Economic growth and ENvironmental preservation**" ("GREEN") and providing various financial instruments to support the overseas

deployment of Japan's advanced environmental technology.

Under the GREEN operations, JBIC provides enhanced support for environmental projects in developing countries in the form of loans, guarantees and equity financing, while mobilizing private-sector funds.

GREEN projects include the development of **photovoltaic generation facilities** using advanced environmental technologies and highly energy-efficient power plants, as well as installation of energy-saving equipment which are intended to help protect the global environment.