

JUST TRANSITION FORUM IN ASIA

Transformation Lab-3: Localisation as a Vehicle for Achieving Just Energy Transition

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As we enter the decade of action of the 2015-inked Paris Climate Deal, there has been a concerted effort by countries, cities, companies, investors and sectors towards climate mitigation. Increasingly, there is also a need arising from various stakeholders that seek to smoothen this transition and make it a truly inclusive and sustainable one. Thus, in this endeavor, the approach of just transition becomes a vital tool.

Transitioning from fossil fuel-based ICE vehicles to battery operated EVs is an uphill task for the Indian Auto sector. While the discourse has been initiated since the Paris Agreement in 2015 both production and adoption have been picking up at a slow pace in India. However, in recent times there has been a policy push from the Government along with a focus on enhancing domestic production capacities in light of the supply chain disruptions caused by the Covid-19 pandemic. These developments may have augmented the national transition to electric mobility.

As this transition progresses, it will be a critical medium to ensure a just, inclusive and sustainable automotive ecosystem. One of the key manifestations of this will be in the form of the impact on livelihoods associated with the ecosystem, especially at a localised level. This is because of the potential of the transition in creating new job roles as well as providing up-skilled employment opportunities across the entire EV ecosystem.

Thus, the objective of the lab is to converge industry, academic and policy narratives around the transition in the automotive sector, with a focus on EV manufacturing. Furthermore, this lab aims to draw inferences from the transportation sector's transition to inform the larger global sustainability shift which is underway.

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