

2. State Energy Efficiency Index (SEEI) 2021-22

Why in News?

- The State Energy Efficiency Index (SEEI) 2021-22 has recently been released by the Union Minister of Power and New & Renewable Energy

Highlights

- The index is developed by the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE), a statutory body under the Ministry of Power, in association with Alliance for an Energy-Efficient Economy (AEEE).
- It assesses the annual progress of states and UTs in energy efficiency (energy savings and reduction in emission intensity).
- The updated framework of 50 indicators is aligned with national priorities, and program-specific indicators are included to track outcomes and impacts of state-level energy efficiency initiatives.
- Based on the progress and accomplishments of states in energy efficiency implementation, they have been classified into four categories: Front Runner, Achiever, Contender, and Aspirant.
- India is committed to achieving NDC goals and transitioning to a net-zero economy by 2070.
- This requires collaboration between central and state governments, judicious resource allocation, policy alignment, and regular progress tracking.
- SEEI tracks progress in managing states' and India's energy footprint, driving energy efficiency policies and programs at the state and local levels.
- Enabling fiscal assistance for energy efficiency in the focus sectors
- Developing institutional capacity in states and UTs to address emerging needs and challenges in energy efficiency implementation
- Enhancing cross-functional collaborations across financial institutions, energy service companies, and energy professionals in large-scale energy efficiency implementation in states
- Mainstreaming energy data reporting and monitoring across sectors