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Progress of Renewable Energy Development In Canada

- Current status of renewable energy share
 - □ Canada is a global leader in the generation of clean electricity, with renewable sources representing 67% of total capacity.
 - In recent years, solar photovoltaic and wind energy have become the fastest-growing sources of electricity in Canada.
 - □ Canada is the world's second largest producer of hydroelectricity and is positioned ninth globally with respect to total wind power installed capacity, with 12,239 MW in 2017.
 - □ Canada reported 2,911 megawatts of solar photovoltaic installed capacity in 2017.

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- Renewable energy targets in Canada
 - □ Canada is committed to meeting or exceeding the UNFCCC's 2030 target of a 30% greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction below 2005 levels.
 - □ Canadian provinces and territories have jurisdiction over the development of their electricity resources, and design their own policies and targets with regards to renewable energy
 - For its part, the federal government is committed to:
 - procure and/or generate 100 percent of its electricity from non-emitting sources by 2025; and,
 - fulfill 75 percent of new light-duty vehicles procurements with zeroemission vehicles (ZEVs) or hybrids starting in the 2019-20 fiscal year, with the objective that the government's fleet comprises at least 80 percent ZEVs by 2030.

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- Policies for promoting renewable energy
 - ☐ Clean Energy in Rural and Remote Communities program: Provides approximately \$220 million in funding for initiatives to reduce reliance on diesel fuel, and deploy renewable energy solutions; and,
 - The Emerging Renewable Power Program: Provides up to \$200 million to expand the portfolio of commercially viable renewable energy sources in Canada
- Main challenges in promoting renewable energy
 - □ Accommodating energy technologies that change the nature of the utility business model, e.g. distributed generation, energy storage, high penetration of variable generation.
 - Sustaining the pace of investment required to renew electricity infrastructure and ensuring affordability and public support for renewable energy investment.