

Moonilal heading to India for energy conference

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Energy Minister Dr Roodal Moonilal will attend India Energy Week 2026 in Goa, India, from January 27 to 30, representing Trinidad and Tobago on a global stage.

The annual conference is a marque event in the energy sector, drawing thousands of professionals, government officials, and industry leaders from around the world.

“Being invited to this conference is a significant honour,” Moonilal said. “It is truly a global event, involving over 700 exhibitions and professional speakers, including fellow energy ministers and executives from major oil and gas companies in India and beyond.

“I look forward to the trip as an opportunity to promote Trinidad and Tobago as a premier destination for foreign direct investment, particularly in the upstream sector.”

The minister highlighted the need for renewed investment in the country’s energy industry, noting declines in both oil and gas production between 2016 and 2025.

“We are working to attract investors and explorers to Trinidad and Tobago to participate in further developing our oil and gas sector,” he said.

According to an article from News IP, the India Energy Week, is held in picturesque Goa, is expected to host an estimated 75,000 energy professionals, 700 exhibiting companies, 6,500 delegates, 550 conference speakers, and 110 conference sessions.

The event promises to showcase cutting-edge developments across the

energy sector, particularly in oil and gas, and to facilitate discussions on the geopolitical, environmental, and economic challenges shaping the global energy landscape.

India remains the third-largest importer of oil and gas globally and is expected to maintain its leading role in energy consumption for decades. Organisers note that delegates will address pressing issues, including climate change and environmental risks, as well as economic uncertainty and supply chain disruptions, highlighting the need for innovative strategies to navigate an increasingly unpredictable global energy market.