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Dear Friends,

Just when it looked like India had won its battle with Covid, it is back. What does this mean for India's economy? Can we afford another series of lockdowns and disruptions?.

However, with vaccines available now, the need of the hour is mammoth scale up in the government's immunisation drive to safeguard the vulnerable.

We recently met Hon'ble Minister Shri Piyush Goyal Ji, Commerce & Industry and had extensive deliberations with various Industry Associations where he reviewed suggestions for further strengthening economic recovery and growth. IEEMA suggested for restoring R&D incentives, extend CSR funds for Research, Technology and effective Implementation of RoDTEP.

India's electricity security has improved remarkably through the creation of a single national power system and major investments in key areas. The power system is also experiencing a major shift towards higher shares of renewable energy which is making system integration and flexibility priority issues. Thus the risk of cyber threats have also increased as the power sector is one of the most frequently targeted and first to respond to cyber threats with mandatory controls. But threats continue to evolve, reaching into industrial control systems and supply chains, and requiring even greater efforts to manage risk.

The network of power plants and lines connecting to homes and businesses is widely considered to be among the most critical infrastructure in the world. Power systems are among the most complex and critical infrastructures of a modern digital society, serving as the backbone for its economic activities

and security. It is therefore in the interest of every country to secure their operation against cyber risks and threats.

We are working closely with CEA and MoP, Government of India to address the issue of cyber threats to our power systems and preparing venerable Architecture. We hope to receive your feedback and suggestions also on this important issue of cyber security.

All IEEEMA members have been facing COVID-19 time challenge in business, I request you to share your unique ways in dealing such challenges. We can organise a joint webinar for all IEEEMA members for sharing such inputs for the benefits.

Together we can make our power systems safe and secure!



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