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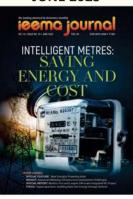
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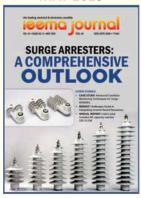
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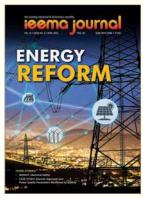
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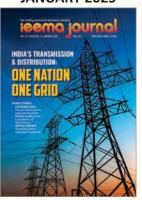
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GST 2.0: Strategic Implications and Next Steps for India's Power Sector

The GST Council recently announced a reduction in tax on renewable energy devices, including solar and wind equipment and their manufacturing parts. Lower GST rates can make domestic and imported electrical components more price-competitive, encouraging increased sales and market expansion, reports **IEEMA JOURNAL**.

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India's T&D Sector: Opportunities to Redefine the Energy Landscape

The T&D segment in India is expected to get a significant boost with an estimated capex of Rs9.1 trillion between FY25-32. With a pipeline of tariff-based competitive bidding transmission projects valued at Rs0.74 lakh crore up to FY2026, the outlook for India's T&D sector remains robust, with opportunities to redefine the energy landscape.

Skilling: A Cornerstone of India's Renewable Energy Growth

India's power sector energy landscape drives a need for abilities to match new technologies, opening the floodgates of the job market and the need for skilled technicians. **IEEMA JOURNAL** throws light upon the power sector's skilling scenario.

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Top Energy Efficiency Performing States: Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Tripura

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