

South Asia's Green Economy Shifts: EV Boom, Hydropower Surge, and Plasti

Environmental Economy · Answer Key · 10 Questions

1. In India's rapidly growing electric vehicle (EV) market, which vehicle type dominated sales in 2024?

- A) Passenger Cars
- B) Electric Buses
- C) Two-wheelers**
- D) Commercial Trucks

2. What is a key driver for the projected significant growth of the Indian electric vehicle market from 2025 to 2032?

- A) Decreased government incentives
- B) Expansion of charging infrastructure and localization of battery production**
- C) Limited availability of EV models
- D) Reduced consumer interest in sustainable transport

3. As of mid-2024, what percentage of Nepal's total installed electricity capacity is contributed by hydropower?

- A) Approximately 30%
- B) Approximately 50%
- C) Approximately 70%
- D) Approximately 95%**

4. Which South Asian country launched its National Green Hydrogen Mission in 2023 to establish a green hydrogen ecosystem?

- A) Bangladesh
- B) Pakistan
- C) India**
- D) Sri Lanka

5. What is a primary objective of Bangladesh's Second Green and Climate Resilient Development Credit, approved in December 2024?

- A) To increase reliance on fossil fuels
- B) To promote sustainable agriculture and food security
- C) To transition to green and climate-resilient development**
- D) To expand single-use plastic production

6. What is a key focus of Sri Lanka's strategy for sustainable tourism development, particularly highlighted since late 2024?

- A) Increasing reliance on mass tourism
- B) Repositioning towards higher-value tourism and ethical travel**
- C) Reducing visa-free entry for tourists
- D) Prioritizing development of large-scale hotel chains

7. Bhutan reaffirms its commitment to remaining carbon neutral. By what year does it project maintaining carbon neutrality through its Third National Determined Contribution (NDC) under a business-as-usual scenario?

- A) 2030
- B) 2035**
- C) 2040
- D) 2050

8. In Pakistan, the Single Use Plastics Prohibition Regulations apply to the Islamabad Capital Territory, aiming to phase out items like polythene bags and which other category of plastic product mentioned?

- A) Electronics
- B) Automotive parts
- C) Crockery and cutlery**
- D) Building materials

9. The Maldives, being a low-lying island nation, is extremely vulnerable to climate change impacts. What is a primary climate-related threat it faces, particularly concerning coastal areas?

- A) Desertification
- B) Coastal erosion**
- C) Increased seismic activity
- D) Glacial melt

10. What is the projected Compound Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) for the South Asia Renewable Energy Market over the next five years, according to recent analyses?

- A) Less than 5%
- B) Approximately 7%
- C) Greater than 12%**
- D) Around 25%