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Official Visit of Petroleum Minister to Mozambique

The Minister of State (I/C) for Petroleum and Natural Gas, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan is on a 3-day official visit to Mozambique. During the visit he will have bilateral meetings with his counterpart and other leaders. He will also interact with the captains of oil and gas industry and associated sectors of Mozambique.

Mozambique is a resource rich friendly country in Eastern Africa with which India enjoys warm political and robust economic and trade relationship. Indian public and private sector companies are present in that country in various sectors including in oil & gas, automobile, port and other infrastructure building. Public sector oil & gas companies have made substantial investment in Mozambique.

A business delegation led by CII will be accompanying the Minister during the visit and will have interactions with the government and industry of Mozambique to explore ways to strengthen business to business ties.

During the visit Shri Pradhan will , among other things, discuss ways to expand and strengthen energy cooperation between the two countries.

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