

PM's energy vision gets UN pat

UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon on Thursday lauded India's efforts to scale-up solar power and clean the Ganga river through an ambitious rejuvenation project and said Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership and vision in the field of sustainable development has impressed and inspired him.

In his remarks through a video-link from to the 15th Delhi Sustainable Development Summit in New Delhi, Ban said: "Renewable energy can mean cleaner air and better health and climate-smart agriculture offers better

water and food security. Climate change threatens to undermine hard-earned development gains. But combating climate change is an opportunity for low-carbon growth that will benefit people and the planet."

In the summit, organised by The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI), Ban pointed to Modi's vision of development without destruction and said he had very good talks with the Indian leadership when he visited New Delhi and Gujarat last month.

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