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■ India's Pivotal Role Acknowledged in COP28 Talks on Clean Energy Transition

At COP28 in Dubai, key representatives from the Quad nations engaged in a panel discussion at the India Pavilion, highlighting India's central role in Clean Energy Innovation and Deployment in the Indo-Pacific region. The panel highlighted India's essential role in the clean energy transformation, envisioning a collaborative finance infrastructure attracting private capital for sustainable development. Ms. Ella Davison, Director, Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment, and Water, Australia, underscored the importance of collaborative efforts within the Quad and bilateral partnerships to leverage India's comparative advantages. Mr. Izuru Kobayashi, Deputy Director-General for Technology and Environment, Industrial Science, Technology and Environment Policy Bureau, Japan, and Dr. Andrew Light, Assistant Secretary, US Department of Energy, emphasised the Quad's role in fostering real-time, honest trading of ideas for a compatible and scalable hydrogen market. The discussion extended to Quad's involvement in critical mineral production, showcasing a comprehensive approach to addressing global energy challenges.

