

## US Imposes 500% Tariff on Russian Oil, Exits India-led ISA

US President Donald Trump approved a bill imposing 500% tariffs on Russian oil buyers and announced the US withdrawal from the India-led International Solar Alliance.

This news covers significant US foreign policy shifts impacting global energy trade and international cooperation on solar energy, particularly concerning Russia and India.

### KEY EXAM POINTS

- US President **Donald Trump** approved a Bill mandating up to **500%** tariffs on countries buying **Russian oil**.
- The **US** also announced its withdrawal from the **India-led International Solar Alliance (ISA)**.
- These decisions were made ahead of the arrival of **US Ambassador-designate Sergio Gor** in **India**.
- Ambassador-designate **Sergio Gor** is scheduled to take charge on **January 12, 2026**.
- Ending **India's Russian oil imports** is a '**top priority**' for Ambassador-designate **Sergio Gor**.
- India** faced '**double-pressure**' over energy on **January 8, 2026**, due to these US decisions.

### STATICS & SYLLABUS FOCUS

The **International Solar Alliance (ISA)** was jointly launched by **India** and **France**.

**ISA** was launched at the **COP21** climate conference in **Paris** in **2015**.

The headquarters of the **International Solar Alliance (ISA)** is located in **Gurugram, Haryana**, India.

**ISA** aims to promote **solar energy** and reduce reliance on **fossil fuels** globally.

It is the **first treaty-based** international **intergovernmental organization** headquartered in **India**.

**Tariffs** are **taxes** imposed on **imported goods and services**, often used to protect domestic industries.

**COP21**, held in **Paris** in **2015**, resulted in the adoption of the **Paris Agreement** on climate change.

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