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India's energy minister Piyush Goyal wants the nation's 2022 solar target enhanced fivefold to 100GW, *PV-Tech reports*, citing several news services.

The minister in August said "Renewable power is the future of the country and will be supported fully" as he announced the government was freeing up land for utility-scale projects, the website says, as part of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's ambitious electricity for all vision.

The announcement comes after analysis earlier this week found rooftop solar on track to reach grid parity this year, which follows September analysis released by Tata Power Solar and Bridge to India that the country could see 145GW of solar capacity by 2024 as it overtook coal on price, *PV-Tech* says.

"The rooftop market presents a vast opportunity. The potential in India is easily in excess of 100GW," Bridge of India director Tobias Engelmeier said. "So far, only a tiny fraction of this opportunity has been tapped. As the economics of electricity will continue to shift in favor of local solar solutions, I am convinced that we will see phenomenal growth in the next five years."