



→ Hydrogen market in India

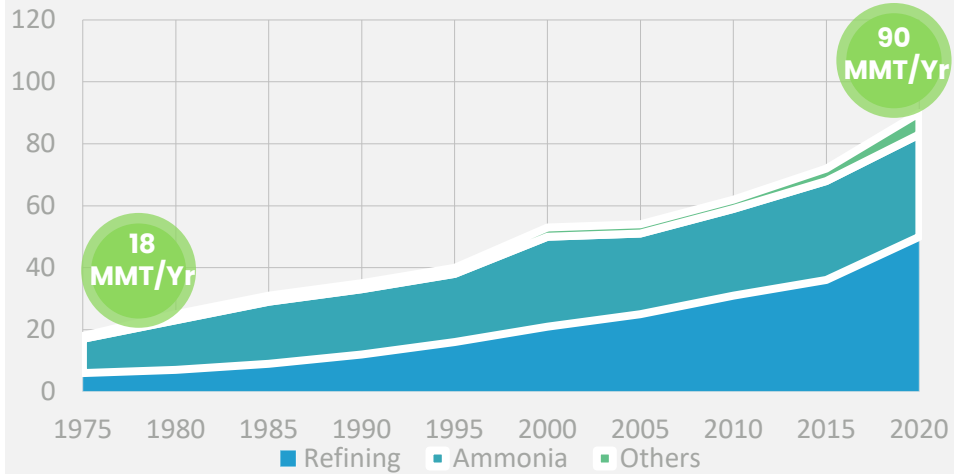
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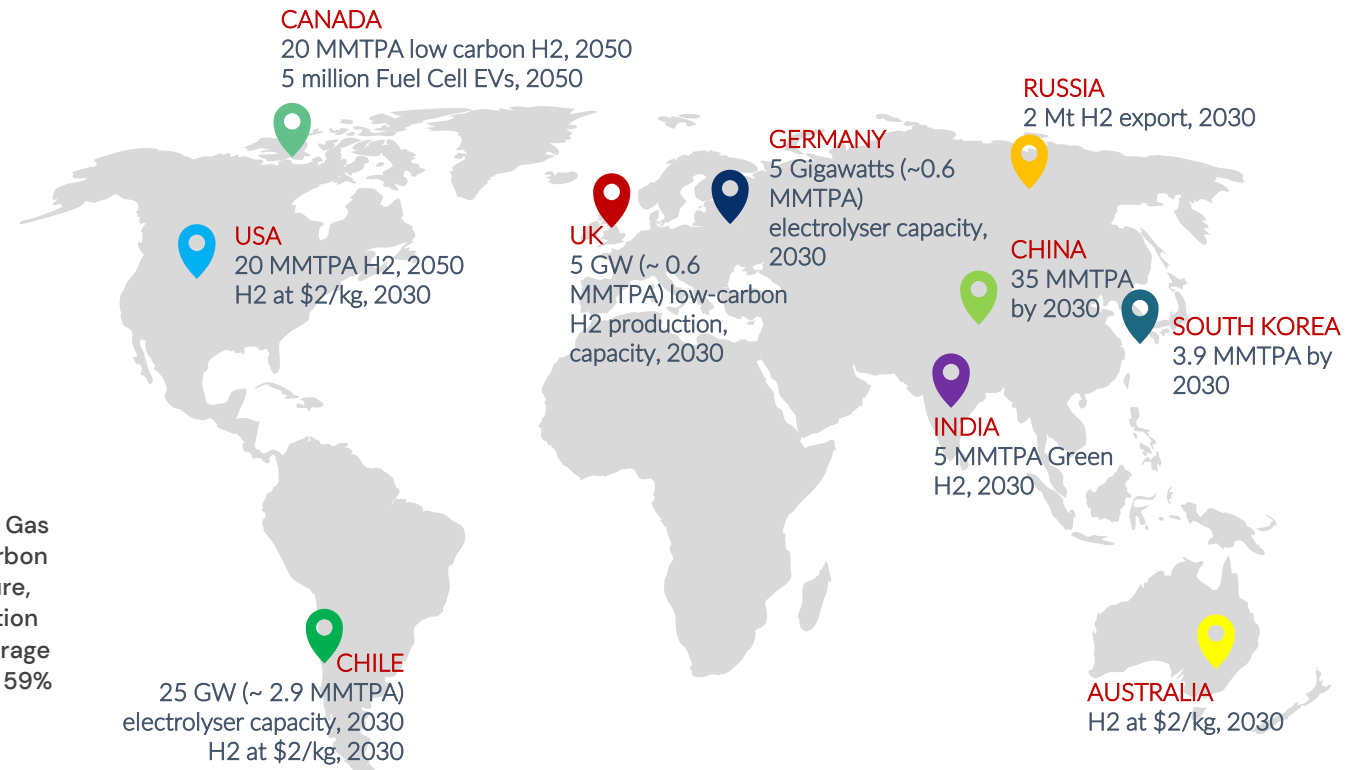
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Global demand for hydrogen, 1975–2020 (MMT/yr)

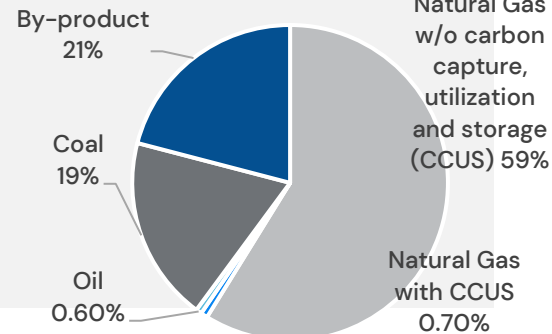


The map below shows some key developments related to hydrogen development in different countries.



Sources of hydrogen production 2020

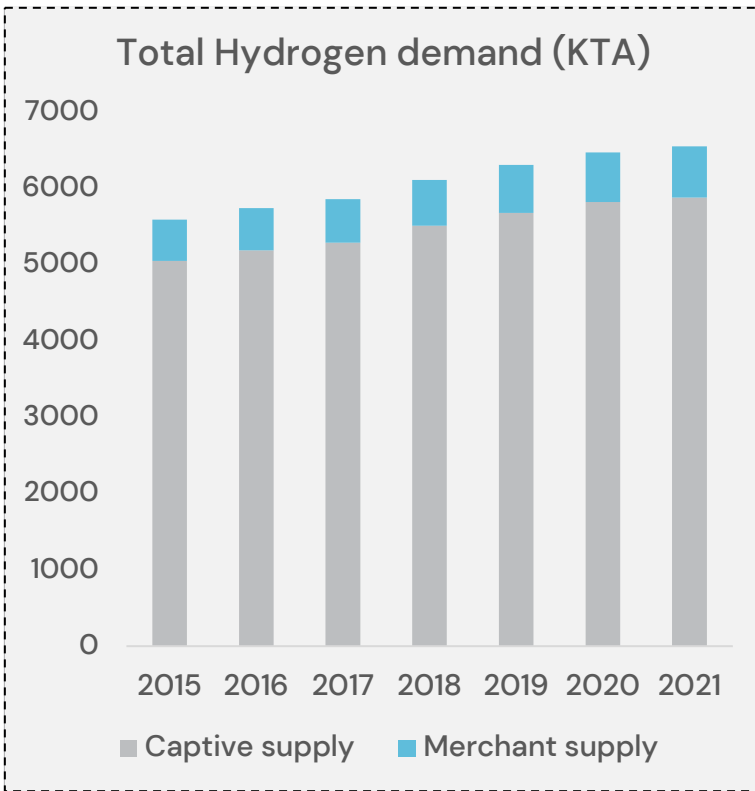
Dedicated hydrogen production
72 Million Metric Tons (MMT)/yr Hydrogen (H₂)
By-product hydrogen
18 MMT/yr H₂
Hydrogen production through water electrolysis
30 kt/yr H₂ (~0.03%).



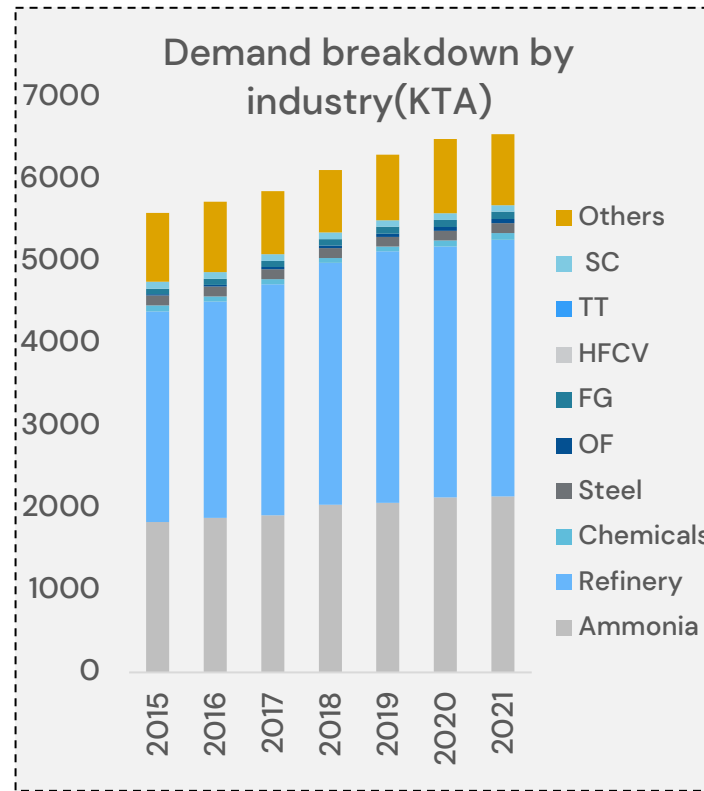
→ Current global H₂ demand is around 90 MMT/year, which grew at 2% since 1975; demand will increase further as countries set targets.

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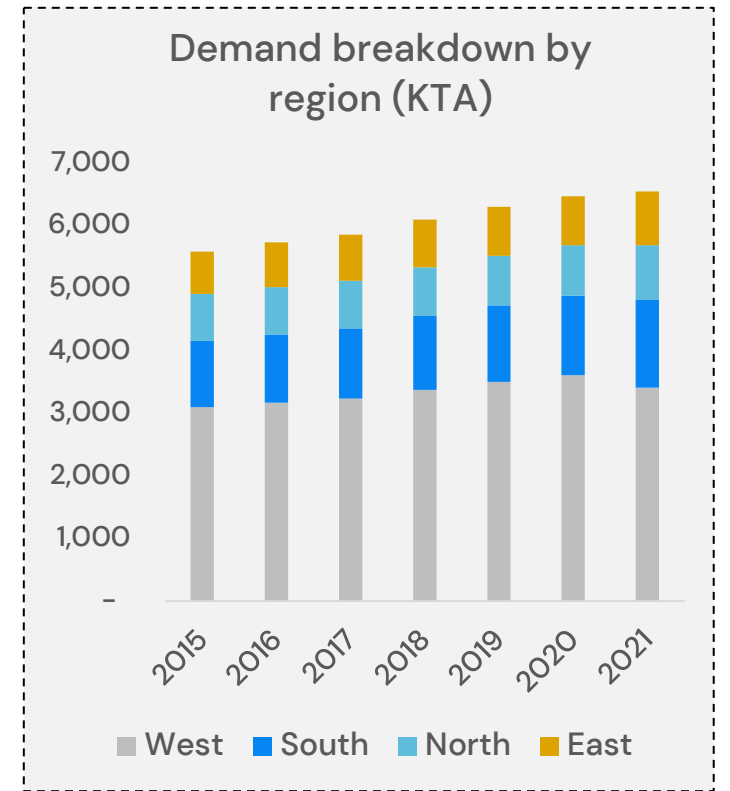
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- 90% of the demand is by captive consumers which includes mainly fertilizers, refineries, and chemicals.
- Growth has been witnessed in merchant sale.
- Merchant sale in OF, FG, SC, and others, which has insignificant footprint

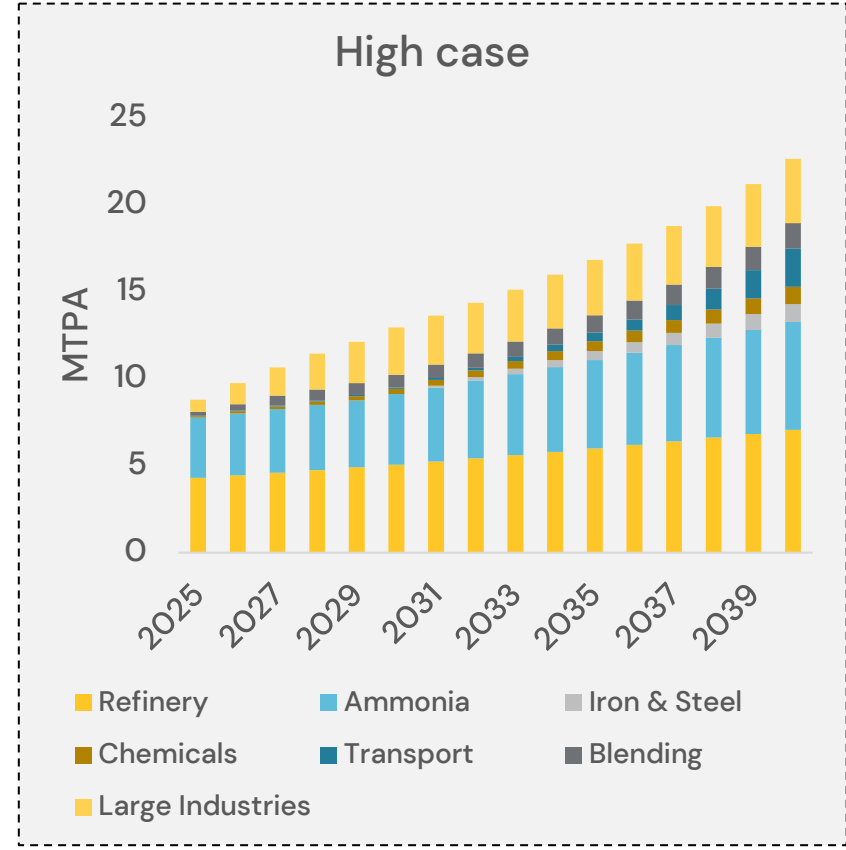
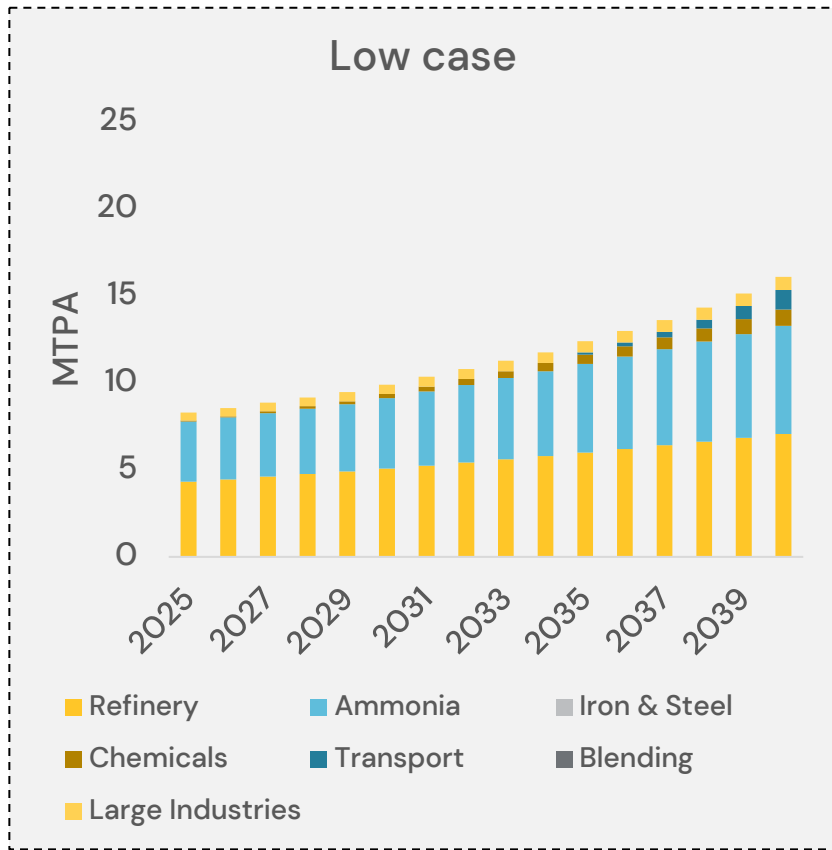


- Fertilizer and refineries remained the key demand drivers.
- Demand in chemical and steel is increasing rapidly.



- The West remains the key demand center given the concentration of refineries and fertilizer units.

➔ **Current demand of hydrogen in India is ~6 MTPA; driven by captive consumption of refineries and fertilizer units**



- Increased decarbonisation initiatives coupled with reducing prices could lead to significant rise in in green H2 consumption by 2040
- We expect demand to be anywhere between **15–25 MTPA** depending on market development and policy initiatives. Demand is likely to be driven by mainly driven by *refinery and fertilises sectors*.

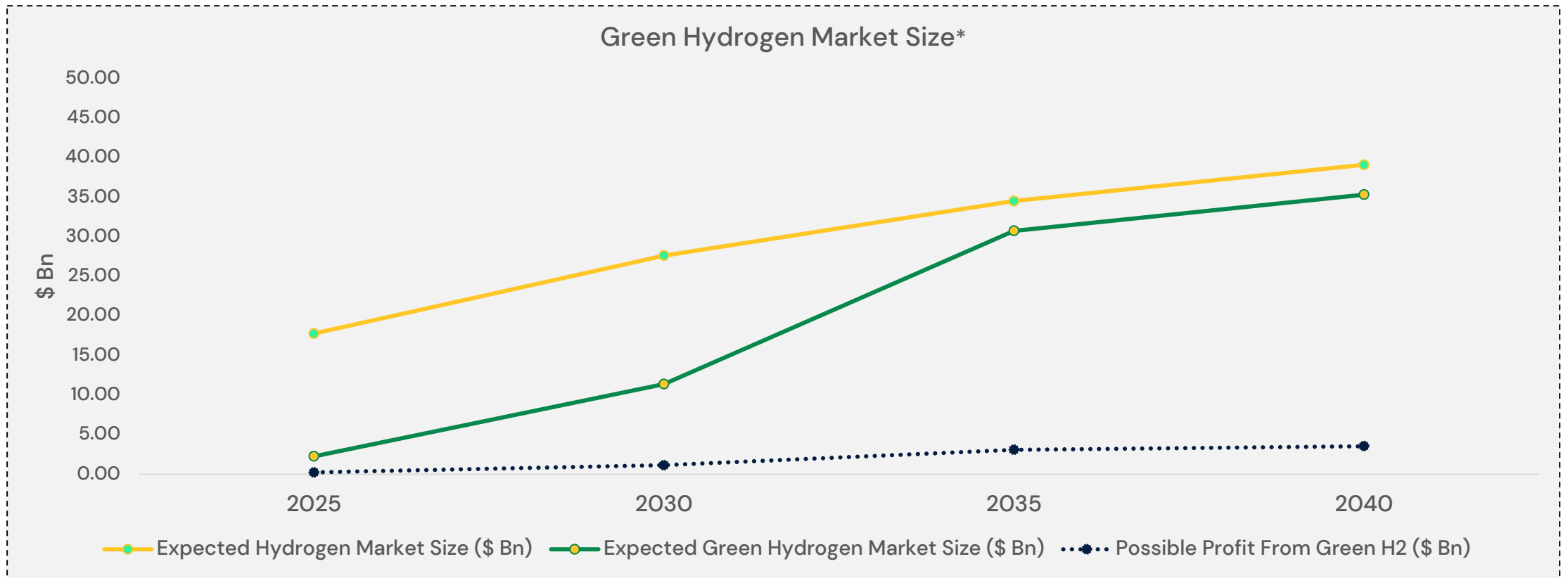
→ **India's hydrogen demand could reach anywhere between 15 (conservative) – 25 (optimistic) MTPA by 2040**

Source: ICF Analysis

Low Case : When the additional demand of hydrogen on a year over year (YOY) basis is decided based purely on the market dynamics (considering cost of green hydrogen production and supporting infrastructure)
 High Case : When the additional demand of hydrogen on YOY basis is fulfilled based on obligation/government push/ supporting policies

H2 demand In India is expected to increase by **2.5–3.5 times** by 2040 but is still not expected to meet **more than 5%** of total primary energy consumption of India by 2040.





- The green hydrogen market (sales) is likely to reach ~\$10 billion by 2030 & ~\$35 billion by 2040 in India (per annum figures).
- The green hydrogen developers can generate significant annual profits by 2040 (considering 10% margin on the business).





→ **Green hydrogen market is likely to be at \$30–35 billion by 2035–2040 in India (under the optimistic demand case).**

Hydrogen Demand 2040





Legend

-  India States Boundary
-  Fertilizer Plants
-  Refineries






Hydrogen demand (MTPA)

-  0.000211 - 0.289
-  0.290 - 0.866
-  0.867 - 2.57
-  2.58 - 5.18

Fertilizer Plants

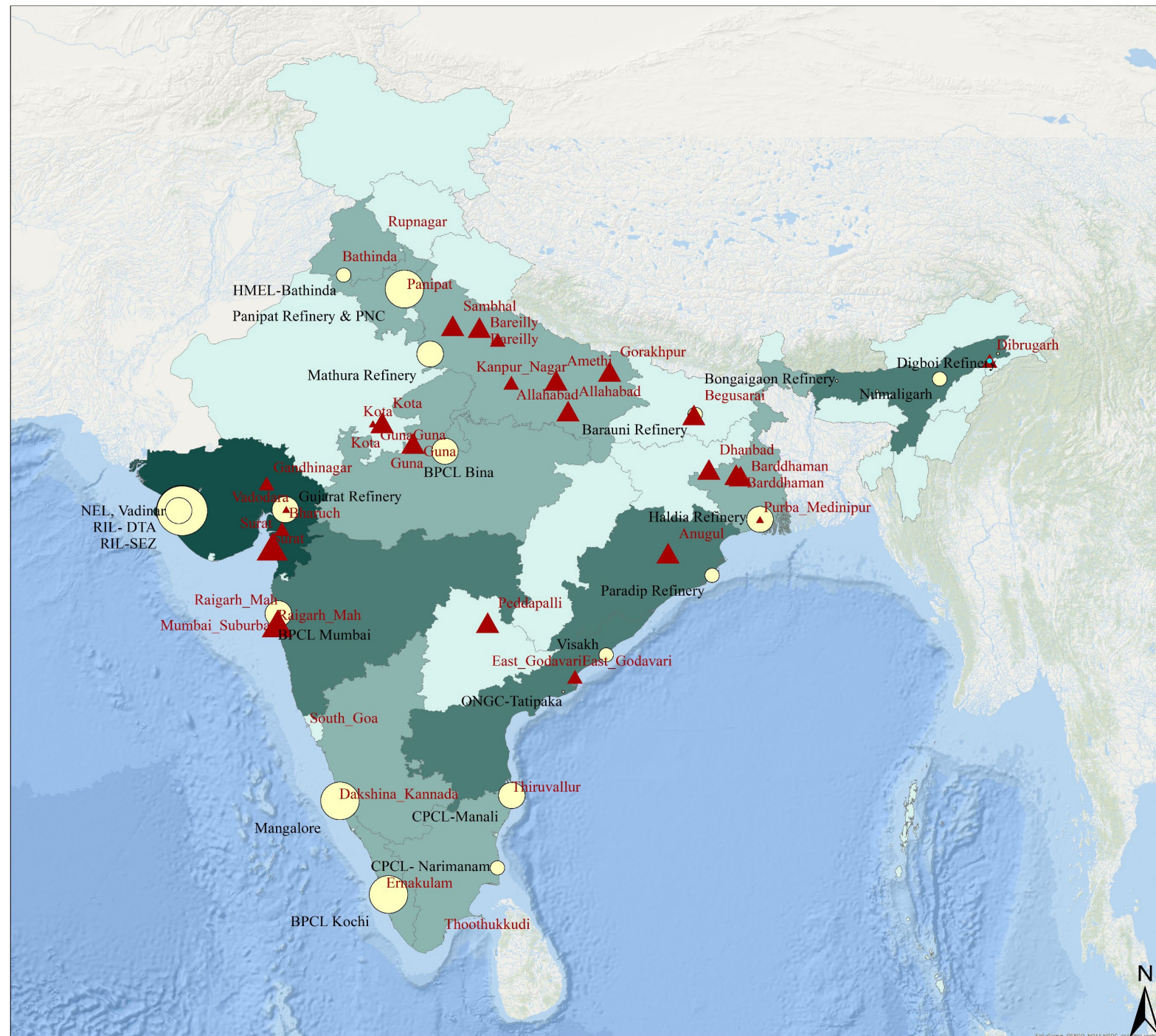
-  0.001 - 0.064
-  0.065 - 0.145
-  0.146 - 0.218
-  0.219 - 0.368

Refineries

-  0.00723 - 0.238
-  0.239 - 0.636
-  0.637 - 0.991
-  0.992 - 1.61
-  1.62 - 3.82

➤ Hydrogen demand is likely to be concentrated in regions with refineries and fertilizer plants

➤ Green hydrogen supply hubs near the demand centers will provide cost effective solution to meet the demand



Source: ICF Analysis

The hydrogen demand in each state is excluding refinery and fertilizer hub demand and is shown separately in legend.

Gaseous and liquid H₂ are the primary methods of storage across the globe.

- *Hydrogen is mainly being stored in gaseous tanks or cryogenic tanks across the world. Based on geographical availability, some countries (UK and US) have utilized salt caverns*

Higher storage costs for liquid hydrogen make it unviable at small distances.

- *Due to high liquefaction costs and cryogenic storage required for liquid hydrogen, on-site storage cost of liquid hydrogen is approximately 5 times that of gaseous H₂, making it unviable at extremely small distances.*

Larger transport capacity of liquid hydrogen makes it cost effective for medium distances.

- *One single liquid H₂ trailer can deliver 10–15 times more hydrogen than a single gaseous H₂ trailer, so, at medium-range distances, liquid H₂ becomes more viable than gaseous H₂ due to fewer trucks/trips required.*

For large capacities, pipeline transport is cheapest.

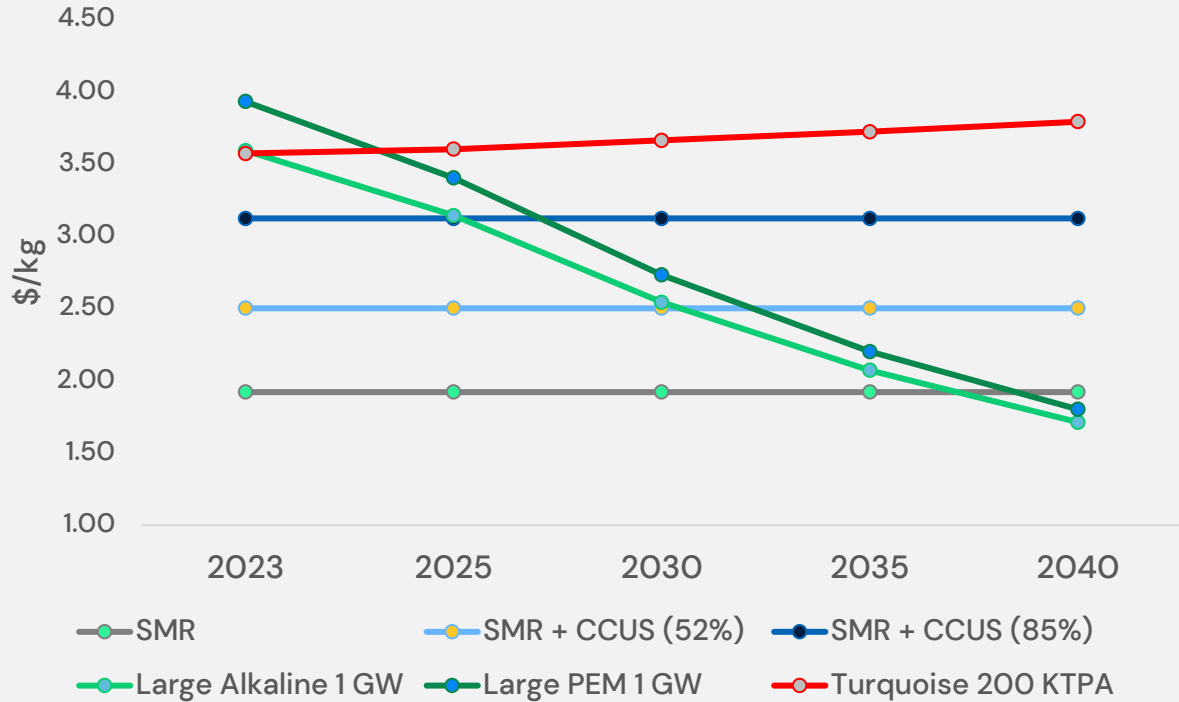
- *With increasing capacities, pipeline costs reduce drastically at smaller capacities. The cost of H₂ transportation by pipelines is 8.8% the cost of gas tank trailers and 20% of liquid trailers for a 20-inch pipeline for 120 km.*

Ammonia is used for extremely long-range transport—intercontinental distances.

- *Ammonia with a volumetric hydrogen density about 45% higher than that of liquid hydrogen, so it becomes an excellent choice for transport at intercontinental distances.*

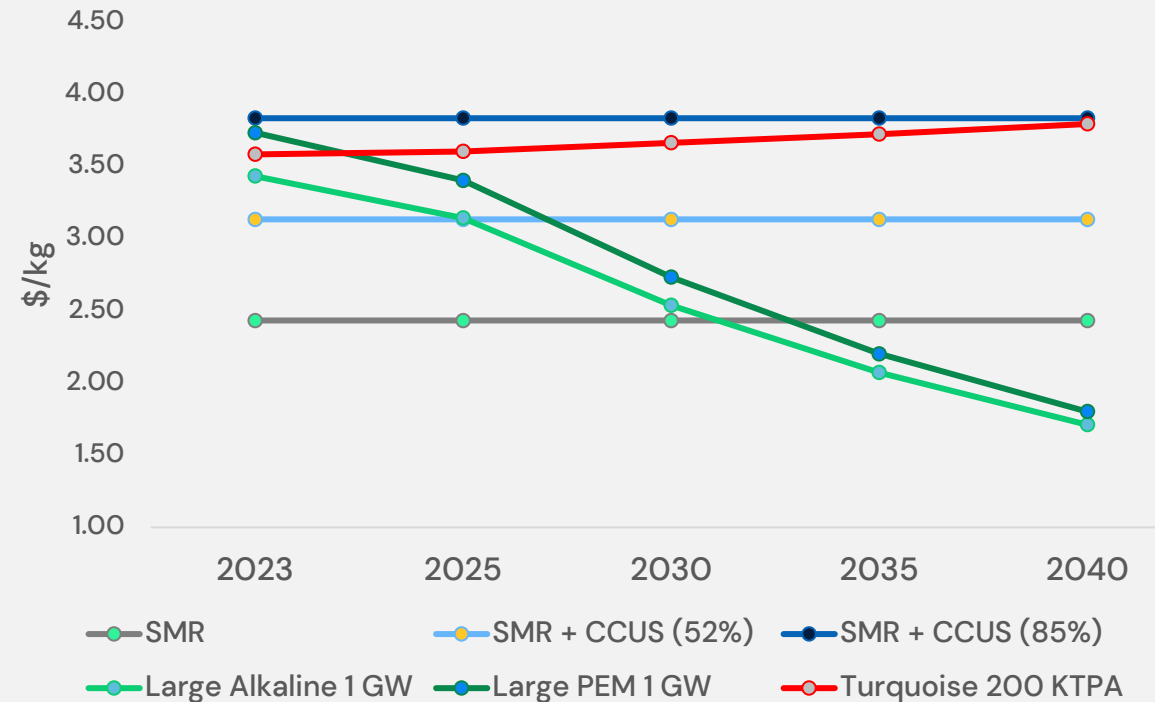
→ **Green hydrogen production hubs near demand centres make more commercial sense**

Natural Gas @ \$9/MMBTU



- Solar module costs may not reduce much further, but electrolyser costs are likely to drop rapidly over next few years.

Natural Gas @ \$12/MMBTU



- Higher natural gas costs or carbon prices on fossil fuels can further accelerate the cost parity of green hydrogen with grey hydrogen.

➔ **Green vs. grey hydrogen economics will depend on fossil fuel prices, carbon prices, cost reduction and efficiency improvements in electrolyzers and Government support for green hydrogen.**

National Hydrogen Mission

- Launched in 2021 with specific strategy in the short term (4 years), and broad principles for long term (10 years and beyond)
- National Green Hydrogen Mission updated in January 2023
- Mission Outlay ~ \$ 2.41 bn; of which: \$ 2.13 bn is for SIGHT, \$0.18 bn is for pilot projects, \$0.05 bn for R&D and \$ 0.05 bn is for other mission components

Key expected outcomes:

- 01 Development of green hydrogen production capacity of at least 5 MMTPA and renewable energy capacity addition of about 125 GW
- 02 Close to \$ 100 bn expected investment and creation of over 600,000 jobs
- 03 Cumulative reduction in fossil fuel imports over Rs. \$ 12 bn
- 04 Abatement of nearly 50 MMT of annual greenhouse gas emissions

Measures taken in India to date

Green Hydrogen Policy 2022

- Green Hydrogen Policy 2022 defines green H2/ammonia to also include H2 and ammonia produced from the banked renewable energy (RE) and that produced from biomass.

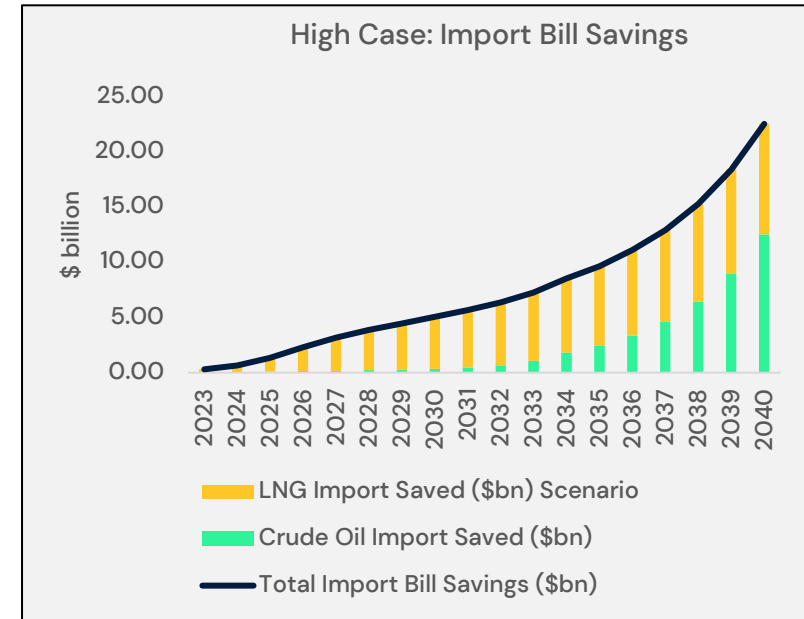
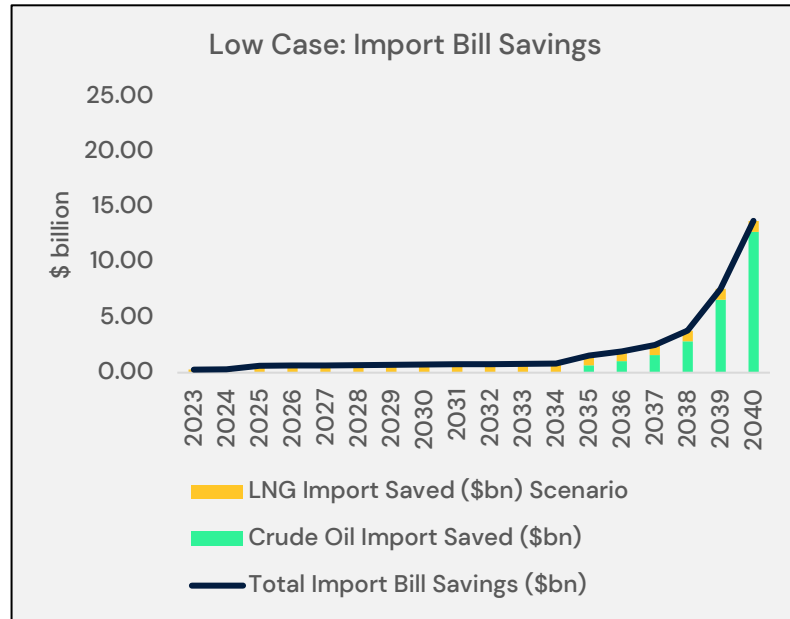
1 **Waiver of interstate transmission charges** for 25 years to the producer of green hydrogen/green ammonia from projects commissioned before June 30, 2025

2 **Banking of RE for period of 30 days** permitted for making green H2/green ammonia—banking charges to be fixed by state commission.

3 **Land in RE parks and manufacturing zones** can be allotted for manufacture of green H2

4 **RPO:** RE consumed in manufacture of green H2/ammonia; excess consumption beyond RPO of producer will be accounted for as RPO by DISCOM

5 **Priority in providing connectivity** to green H2/ammonia producing plants and the energy supplying generators



- At present, India spends more than **\$160 billion** every year on energy imports.
- India can replace fossil fuels by hydrogen in **transport, iron and steel, CGD, and large industries**.

India can achieve savings of **\$15–20 billion** in fossil fuel imports by replacing them with locally-produced green hydrogen.



→ Conclusions



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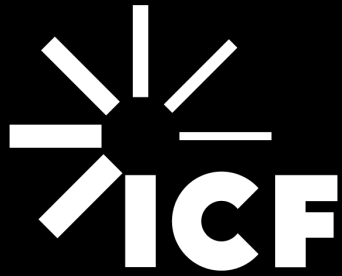
The H2 market in India is likely to reach **~\$30n–35 bn/yr** by 2035 – 2040.

RE power requirement for green hydrogen will be significant at **400 GW**.

Cost parity between green hydrogen and grey hydrogen will depend on factors such as fossil fuel prices, carbon market prices, cost reduction and efficiency improvements in in electrolyzers, and, **importantly**, government support/ incentives for green hydrogen.

India can achieve savings of **\$15–20 billion per year** in fossil fuel imports by replacing fossil fuels with locally produced hydrogen in end use sectors.

→ **Summing up**



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