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**About UI-ASSIST**

The overall objective of this project is to evolve the future distribution grid that will allow the continuing increase of Distributed Energy Resources (DER) penetration towards a carbon-free electricity system. The research proposed here leads to the fully conceptualized Smart Distribution Grid that optimally utilizes Grid Storage. The development is validated using ten different DI-ASSIST test beds, and pilot field demonstrations at 10 different sites. Department of IME would specifically focus on regulatory and policy aspects of smart grid implementation including its socio-economic impact.

This project brings together multi-disciplinary team of 15 institutions each in India and the USA to address key issues related to the adoption and deployment of smart grid concepts along with Distributed Energy Resources (DERs) including storage in the distribution network for its efficient and reliable operation. The Indian consortium of institutions is lead by IIT Kanpur.

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