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India has proposed to significantly revamp its key vehicle emissions rules, called the Corporate average fuel efficiency (CAFE) norms, and has introduced a draft of the third iteration of the key standards.

About Corporate Average Fuel Efficiency (CAFE) Norms

- Corporate Average Fuel Efficiency (CAFE) norms are **government-mandated standards** that require auto manufacturers to meet a fleet-wide average fuel economy target.
- These are introduced by the **Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE)** in 2017, aim to regulate fuel consumption and **CO₂ emissions from passenger vehicles** under 3,500 kg.
- In India, CAFE norms were introduced in two phases, with the first stage effective from **2017-18 and the second from 2022-23**.
- These norms apply to vehicles powered by **petrol, diesel, LPG, CNG, hybrids**, and **electric power**.
- **Objective:** CAFE norms were designed to: Reduce oil imports, Cut air pollution, Promote cleaner vehicles like EVs, CNG cars, and hybrids.

Key Facts about Bureau of Energy Efficiency

- It was established in 2002 under the provisions of the **Energy Conservation Act, 2001**.
- **Objective:** The primary objective of BEE is to reduce energy intensity in the Indian economy.
- **Function and Duties**
 - It coordinates with designated consumers, designated agencies and other organizations; recognizes, identifies and utilizes the existing resources and infrastructure, in performing the functions assigned to it under the Energy Conservation Act.

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