

WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN.

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MIRA Updates.

MIRA demands implementation of Chhattisgarh government's commitment

MIRA writes to the Hon'ble Chief Minister & Minister for Mines, Chhattisgarh to draw attention lack of action to the promises made by the Indian National Congress (INC) in the manifesto at the time of 2018 elections to the Chhattisgarh Legislative Assembly. **PR:** <u>ENG</u> <u>HN</u> | <u>LETTER</u>

<u>Civil Society groups remind CM about mining-related promises</u>

MIRA had issued a press release to various news agencies in Chhattisgarh to inform the government of its mining-related commitments.

MIRA publishes its first blog 'State Proposes, Centre Disposes'

The first blog sheds light on the ownership of mineral wealth as per the latest reforms by the Centre. It was contributed to the coalition by Rahul Basu, Research Director, Goa Foundation.

India News.

Centre revokes mandatory coal import target after many flip-flops

In just three months of the Centre directing power generators (gencos) to "mandatorily" blend imported coal with the domestic variety, it has revoked the order, leaving it to them to ship in the commodity from abroad if need be.

<u>India / Government Considering \$380 Million Uranium Mining Centre In Rajasthan</u>

India is considering setting up a \$380m (€370m) exploratory mining centre in Rajasthan where over 15,000 tonnes of uranium ore (tU308) deposits have been discovered.

Green nod for 10 expansion projects of Coal India

State-owned CIL's 10 coal mining projects have got green nod so far for their expansion which would lead to additional capacity of 9.65 million tonne, Parliament was informed on Monday.

Pvt entry into beach sand, lithium mining on cards

The government has opened consultations on the entry of private players in the hitherto restricted field of atomic minerals, including beach sand.

Reject proposals for uranium mining in M'laya: HYC

The Hynniewtrep Youth Council (HYC), a pressure group in Meghalaya on Tuesday urged Chief Minister Conrad Sangma, to bring in a resolution in the Assembly to close down all proposals relating to uranium mining in the state.

Explained: The three PILs that have raised hackles of Jharkhand's Hemant Soren govt

The Kolkata Police Sunday (July 31) arrested a lawyer, Rajeev Kumar, who had recently filed three PILs in the Jharkhand High Court, two of them directed at CM Hemant Soren.

Citing DSP death, Hisar MP demands national task force to curb illegal mining

Raising the issue of death of DSP Surender Singh Bishnoi, who was mowed down by a dumper truck during a raid on July 19 to check illegal mining in Nuh district of Haryana, BJP member Brijendra Singh on Tuesday urged the government to establish an NIA (National Investigation Agency) like task force to curb illegal mining across the country.

India Planning Carbon Credit Market for Energy, Steel and Cement

India is planning to start a carbon trading market for major emitters in the energy, steel and cement industries, as part of its efforts to hasten the transition to cleaner fuels.

Concern in Delhi over not being part of US-led critical minerals alliance

THERE is growing concern in the Government over India not finding a place in the Minerals Security Partnership, an ambitious new US-led partnership to secure supply chains of critical minerals, aimed at reducing dependency on China.

Reservation in mines allotment in Rajasthan now: Minister of Mines Pramod Jain Bhaya

There will be reservations in the mining allotment in Rajasthan. SC, ST, women, specially-abled, unemployed technocrat youth will get reservation benefit in the allotment of mines.

The Odisha Mineral Exploration Corporation Ltd has joined hands with a consortium for better exploration of hidden resources and establishing potential blocks of various commodities.

International News.

Greenpeace Ranking; Five Major Electric Vehicle Companies Say No to Deep Sea Mining

Today, Greenpeace USA unveiled its Race to the Top web application, which ranks eight major electric vehicle (EV) manufacturers on their public stance on deep sea mining.

Glencore is cashing in on coal to dodge big mining's slowdown

The world's biggest miners have spent the past two weeks reporting lower profits, shrinking dividends and a worsening outlook as the year rolls on. Next up: Glencore Plc looks set to buck the trend.

Russia becomes India's third-largest coal supplier

Russia became India's third-largest coal supplier in July, with imports rising by over a fifth compared with June to a record 2.06 million tonnes, data from Indian consultancy Coalmint showed.

<u>Irish company buying Colombian coal from Cerrejón to be investigated for lack of human rights due diligence</u>

The OECD has accepted a complaint against Irish state-owned ESB for alleged failure to conduct responsible business conduct in the purchase of Colombian coal.

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