

WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN.

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Coalition Updates.

- The Publish What You Pay (PWYP) network, has joined a call to action opposing Exxon's placement on the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI) Board, during the EITI Global Conference held on June 13 & 14 at Dakar, Senegal. ExxonMobil has continuously failed in meeting basic disclosure requirement, thereby undermining the very purpose of EITI. In 2021, Exxon also attempted to weaken one of the regulations on EITI aligned project-level disclosure requirement. It is also the only company on the EITI's Board that does not disclose its payments in all countries of operation. For further details, read PWYP US's press release and Oxfam US's blog.
- Prithvi Trust has been training and facilitating women from the mining affected areas in Panna (also from families impacted by silicosis), with mushroom production as a viable livelihood option. Last week, representatives of Prithvi trust met the District Chief Executive Officer (CEO) for supporting women in

mushroom cultivation and making it a profitable venture. They proposed for mushrooms to be included in the school mid-day meals, given its high nutritional



value. The District CEO has given an assurance on that and also suggested to map the distance from villages to schools, so that fresh mushrooms can be delivered.

Interesting Podcasts & Videos.

- Oilfield Workers for a Just Transition
- End Fossil Crimes: Typhoon Mawar
- Why We Need the Fossil Free Finance Act

India News.

- Child among 3 dead after coal mine caves in during illegal mining in Dhanbad
- Ballari's former mine workers look for space in emerging renewable sector
- Coal Ministry issues vesting orders for 22 mines
- Plan for One of World's Biggest Coal Mines Challenged in India
- Villagers In Rural Bhopal Gasp For Breath As The Mine
 Contractors Throw Away Cautionary Practices

- India undertaking energy transition to achieve 'Net Carbon Zero by 2070'
- <u>Vedanta declared preferred bidder for Goa iron ore mine</u>
- JSW Steel gains on bagging 2 mining blocks in Goa
- <u>Tata Power Renewable Energy's arm receives LoA to set up 966-</u>
 <u>MW RTC hybrid project for Tata Steel</u>
- India to soon overtake China as oil demand driver; can be leader
 in green hydrogen: IEA chief
- Govt open to offering land on long-term lease for coal-tohydrogen projects: Coal Secretary
- <u>India considers lithium mining royalty at 3% of LME price</u>
- <u>Imperative for India to formulate national resourcing strategy</u> for critical minerals
- Police personnel can seize vehicles under Mines and Minerals
 Act, rules Full Bench of Madras High Court
- <u>CPI MP writes to Pralhad Joshi, expresses concern over safety of mining workers in country</u>
- <u>With survey completed in Andamans, India may now proceed</u> with oil exploration

International News.

- The Dubious Economics of Deep-Sea Mining
- <u>Europe's top science panel supports call for moratorium on deep-sea mining</u>
- NGOs want Exxon off transparency group board
- Just energy transition principles for human rights in business and investment

- Stars of stage and screen voice support for deep sea mining moratorium
- The 'BlackRock exemption' has no place in the EU's due diligence directive
- <u>Updated OECD Guidelines give civil society more grounds to demand corporate accountability</u>
- Norway set to become one of the first countries to start deepsea mining
- RI lifts ban on sea sand exports in Indonesia, raises environmental concerns
- AU, Others Meet To Address Illicit Financial Flows In Extractive
 Industry
- UK heatwave prompts National Grid to fire up coal plant to meet aircon demand
- ADB urged to stop support for fossil fuel
- Finding the money to fix the world requires a rethink on tax,
 says Jayati Ghosh
- Rich Countries Continue To Dilute Responsibility as World Looks
 To Set New Climate Finance Goal
- Battle Lines Harden Over Big Oil's Role at Climate Talks in Dubai
- Shell can't say it backs net zero while still betting on fossil fuels
- Our Debt to Future Generations

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