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Coalition Updates.

Dear Readers,

It is with immense grief and heavy heart that we share the news of the passing away of Dr. Sreedhar Ramamurthi, on the night of 28th December. Sreedhar was an earth scientist and the Managing Trustee of the Environics Trust. He co-founded the Mineral Inheritors Rights Association (MIRA), Indian Network on Ethics and Climate Change, mines minerals & PEOPLE (mm&P) and the EIA Resource and Response Centre. He was also a founding Executive Member of the National Green Tribunal Bar Association. He was highly regarded for his monumental contributions to various environmental, social and human rights



issues from a people's perspective, particularly the vulnerable communities.

While it is difficult to limit Sreedhar in words and sentences, he will always be remembered as a remarkable human being, particularly for his warmth, compassion, humility, generosity, patience, passion, great humour & enthusiasm, and being ever accessible. It is an unimaginable loss of his vast wisdom and his absence has left a huge void in our lives. However, he leaves behind an incredible legacy that will continue to inspire all those who are working for a fair, just and equitable world. He shall remain forever in our hearts. Rest in power, Sreedhar!

Best,

MIRA Secretariat

Few Podcasts & Videos of Sreedhar Ramamurthi.

- [Call for Rationalisation in Extractives: R Sreedhar](#)
 - [Mineral as commons by R Sreedhar](#)
 - [Transparently Opaque - India's Coal Auction 2020 :Sreedhar Ramamurthi Geologist](#)
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India News.

- [Give info of process for using district mineral funds: Bombay High Court to Goa government](#)
- [India witnesses intensified protests in Chhattisgarh over deforestation due to mining activities](#)

- [India targets 5 MMTPA green hydrogen to curb \\$185 billion energy import bill](#)
- [Orissa HC puts a ban on sand mining, next hearing on February 1](#)
- [Centre gives one month relaxation in timelines for critical mineral auctions](#)
- [Government auctions 91 coal mines so far; expects to create 3L jobs](#)
- [Nine commercial coal mines to be operational before FY24-end: Govt](#)
- [Bihar govt withholds salaries of mineral development officers for 'failing' to meet revenue target](#)
- [Coalscam: Delhi court convicts Maharashtra-based company, others](#)
- [Adani Group To Invest Rs 42,700 Crore In Tamil Nadu](#)
- [GMDC gets green approval for expanding Surkha lignite mine in Gujarat](#)
- [Nalco bets on allotted coal blocks, alumina refinery for expansion](#)
- [Karnataka High Court bans mining around KRS Dam in Mandya: 'can't turn Nelson's eye to possible danger'](#)
- [Coal India, Hindustan Zinc, Jindal Power weigh bids for critical mineral blocks](#)
- ['Heavy fuel' leaked from power station in Manipur spills into streams](#)

International News.

- ['Really a sad day' as Norway votes to allow deep-sea mining in Arctic waters](#)

- [Hawaii's Pivotal Decision on Deep Sea Mining and the Clean Energy Transition](#)
- [Decarbonizing steel: ING first bank to act](#)
- [How the European Union is using trade agreements to secure supply of critical raw materials for its green transition](#)
- [Death Toll Rises to 20 in Morowali Steel Furnace Explosion](#)
- [What Happens When a Country Says 'No' to Mining?](#)
- [What hopes for COP29 led by an oil mogul?](#)
- [US oil lobby launches eight-figure ad blitz amid record fossil fuel extraction](#)
- [De Beers to spend \\$1 billion on Botswana mine expansion](#)
- [World's two largest coal consumers won't be weaning off the fossil fuel anytime soon](#)
- [A series of COP-outs: A fossil fuel fiasco or a turning point for climate action?](#)
- [Asia thermal coal imports hit record, but supply keeps prices muted](#)
- ["A la carte menu": Saudi minister claims Cop28 fossil fuel agreement is only optional](#)
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