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Coalition Updates.

- Nalagarh, a treasure trove of natural splendor in Himachal Pradesh, faces a perilous threat from the stone crushing industry. Recent

complaints by the Handur Environmental Friends Association highlight the blatant disregard for environmental norms by



crushers. Despite court directives and regulations, these entities operate with impunity, flouting guidelines laid down by the Himachal Pradesh Pollution Control Board and the National Green Tribunal. In a bid for wider redressal, formal complaints have been lodged with the NGT and the Mining Officer of District Solan, detailing egregious violations of mining regulations and environmental norms. From illegal usage of excavators to reckless dumping of mining debris, the complaints

underscore the dire consequences of unchecked mining activities on local ecosystems and communities. There is an urgent call for stringent measures against errant mining lease holders. As custodians of Himachal Pradesh's ecological legacy, the local communities demand regulatory bodies and policymakers to enforce accountability and uphold environmental integrity. Recently, a coalition of social and

TOWARDS SECURING HIMALAYA FROM DISASTERS: A DEMAND CHARTER PEOPLE FOR HIMALAYA CAMPAIGN, 2024

People for Himalaya campaign is an initiative of progressive groups, civil society organisations and activists from the region. The campaign is not affiliated with any political party.

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LAND USE AND FORESTRY RIGHTS

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PEOPLE FOR HIMALAYA

A coalition of progressive groups, civil society organisations and activists from the region.

environmental activists, alongside people's organizations from the Himalayan states, unveiled a Demand Charter aimed at thrusting the conservation of this vital ecosystem onto the

electoral agenda. This initiative, spearheaded by the People for Himalaya Campaign, resonates as a clarion call for political commitment towards forging a path to a disaster-free Himalayan region.

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- [Madhya Pradesh Ex MLA Gets ₹ 140 Crore Notice For Alleged Illegal Mining](#)
- [23 mines in Karnataka yet to submit restoration plans for affected areas](#)

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