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Coalition Updates.

• The Central Government issued the revised guidelines of the Pradhan Mantri Khanij Kshetra Kalyan Yojana (PMKKKY) on 15th January, 2024.

There are significant changes to the guidelines, so here is our flipbook both in Hindi and in English, for an easy read.

• Read this blog piece in Hindi, मशरूम की खेती:

<u>महिलाओं के लिए संभावनाएं और उम्मीद</u> (Mushroom cultivation:

Possibilities and Hopes for Women in Mining Areas of Panna) by

Anshu Kumar, who shares her reflections during her visit to

Panna, Madhya Pradesh. She narrates the arduous journey of

Tirsiya Bai, a 36 year old tribal woman, who is disabled by birth.

Her husband and father-in-law, both working in the mines, died

of silicosis. She has two sons and a daughter and her elder son is

forced to work in the mines despite knowing the fatal

consequences. The average life span of people in this village is

40-50 years only. Tirsiya Bai after receiving training on mushroom cultivation, has found a new source of livelihood and is able to manage her family expenses.



Interesting Podcasts & Videos.

- Windfarm concerns in Bhimashankar, a biodiversity hotspot
- Ocean Electricity Grid. How do they do that?
- <u>Fragile Pulicat Lake Bird Sanctuary under threat as private</u>
 <u>players make inroads</u>

India News.

- Chhattisgarh & Uttar Pradesh Dominate Coal Expansion
- India's Arctic imperative
- Coal imports surge: Adani bullish about coal in India
- Politicians distance themselves from over 1,000 days long antimining stir in Kerala
- Goa HC asks DMG to put sand transportation permits in public domain
- <u>Hyundai</u>, <u>Kia tie up with Exide for electric vehicle battery</u> localisation
- 100 bustards and the challenge to India's solar flight path
- Haryana: Mining firm extracted six times more minerals, Rs 134
 crore fine imposed

- National Green Tribunal takes suo motu cognisance of illegal sand mining in Bokaro district
- Mining Accident Injures Three in Jaduguda
- Madras HC says no nod for mining firms to ferry processed beach sand minerals
- Vedanta secures 11-year Rs 3,900 cr loan from PFC
- A mining contract in Goa comes under election commission's
 lens; govt's response found 'unsatisfactory'
- 'Shoddy probe': Mining case handed over to CBI
- Coal Keeps Powering India as Booming Economy Crushes Green
 Hopes
- <u>Dharmendra Pradhan Slams BJD Govt In Odisha Over 'Poor Spending' Of Mineral Funds</u>

International News.

- <u>WWF-Norway Takes Legal Action Against The Norwegian</u>
 Government
- Save our seabed the bottom of the ocean needs to become a top priority, and the UN agrees
- Over 150 businesses & investors call on the UK Government to create ambitious human rights and environmental due diligence legislation
- <u>Critical mineral strategies in Australia: Industrial upgrading</u>
 <u>without environmental or social upgrading</u>
- Nigeria: Government must halt Shell's sale of its Niger Delta
 business unless human rights are fully protected
- UK accused of double counting £500m of aid to meet climate pledge

- New fund for large investors to focus on uranium, mining, nuclear industry
- Biden calls for tripling of tariffs on Chinese steel
- Organized crime goes international: links to illegal mining in Brazil, Colombia and Peru
- MSHA issues final rule to better protect miners from silica dust exposure

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