

ESG BULLETIN



Domestic News

India breaks into top 100 of SDG Index for the first time

- India has, for the first time, secured a position among the top 100 countries in the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Index, ranking 99th out of 167 nations in the 2025 edition of the Sustainable Development Report (SDR).
- The latest report places India with a score of 67 on the SDG Index, a significant improvement from its 109th rank in 2024. China is ranked 49th with a score of 74.4, while the United States stands at 44th with 75.2 points.

AIFs must lead ESG push in unlisted firms, says Sebi's Ruchi Chojer

- Alternate investment funds (AIFs) must play a key role in driving environmental, social, and governance (ESG) adoption among unlisted investee companies, said Ruchi Chojer, Executive Director at the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi).
- She said 40 per cent of AIF capital comes from foreign investors who expect alignment with global disclosure standards and added that the regulator is open to proposals for ESG-labelled AIF categories.

International News

Green Climate Fund Unlocks \$1.2 Billion for Emerging Economies, Boosts Global Climate Action

- The Green Climate Fund (GCF) has approved USD 1.225 billion in climate finance for developing countries, marking the largest single allocation in the Fund's history. The investment, green-lighting 17 new projects, underscores the GCF's intensified efforts to address the escalating global demand for climate finance, particularly in emerging economies.
- Furthermore, USD 200 million investment is earmarked to drive green finance in India, highlighting the GCF's commitment to supporting climate action in one of the world's largest emerging economies.

RepRisk Integrates Risk Intelligence Data into BlackRock's Aladdin Platform

- RepRisk, a leading provider of ESG and reputational risk data, said on Thursday its artificial intelligence-driven risk analytics are now available on BlackRock's Aladdin platform, giving asset managers access to enhanced business conduct insights across public and private markets. The integration brings RepRisk's proprietary risk indicators to Aladdin's global user base, which includes some of the world's largest financial institutions, enabling them to screen portfolios and assess business conduct risks across more than 400,000 companies and projects in real time.

Upcoming Events And Conferences

Mint Sustainability Summit 2025

The 4th edition of the Mint Sustainability Summit, a power-packed platform bringing together leaders, changemakers, and industry experts to shape the next chapter of India's sustainability

📅 29th August, 2025

📍 New Delhi

Did You Know?

What is Green Taxonomy?

A green taxonomy is a classification system that defines which economic activities and assets are considered environmentally sustainable. It helps investors and businesses identify and categorize investments based on their alignment with specific environmental objectives and targets. Essentially, it's a tool to direct capital towards projects that contribute to a more sustainable future and to prevent "greenwashing"

Quiz

What are the two main areas of investment for the Green Climate Fund?

- A) Transport and agriculture
- B) Renewable energy and mining
- C) Climate mitigation and climate adaptation
- D) Debt relief and humanitarian aid

Test your ESG knowledge!

Answer the quiz questions above and send your answers by replying to this email. Let's see how many of you get it right!

ESG at JM Financial

Business Responsibility and Sustainability Report (BRSR)

We are pleased to share the Business Responsibility and Sustainability Report (BRSR) for JM Financial Limited, which helps to get a comprehensive overview of the company's progress and initiatives towards achieving its ESG goals. The report highlights our commitment to responsible business practices, sustainability integration and delivering long-term value for all stakeholders.