

ESG BULLETIN



Domestic News

GreenLine Mobility to Invest \$1 Billion in India's Green Trucking Fleet

- GreenLine Mobility Solutions, a logistics firm backed by the Essar Group, is accelerating its green transportation goals with a \$1 billion investment—including \$275 million in equity from its promoters and investors like Nikhil Kamath, co-founder of Zerodha.

India Expands Natural Farming and AI Adoption in Agriculture

- India has ramped up efforts to promote natural farming and artificial intelligence in agriculture as part of its broader strategy to enhance sustainability and efficiency in the sector, the government said on Friday.
- The Union Cabinet has approved the National Mission on Natural Farming as a centrally sponsored scheme with an outlay of ₹2,481 crore (\$300 million). The Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare said the scheme aims to transition 10 million farmers to natural farming practices by the end of the 15th Finance Commission period.
- The scheme, cleared in November 2024, has already disbursed ₹177.78 lakh to various states and union territories in the current fiscal year.

Karad Sets Sanitary Waste Management Benchmark With 100% Disposal

- Karad, a city in Maharashtra's Satara district, has emerged as a national leader in sanitary waste management, achieving 100 percent segregation, collection and disposal of sanitary and biomedical waste — a rare feat in India where improper waste handling remains a widespread challenge.

International News

DBS Hong Kong and Henderson Land Close \$640 Million Sustainability-Linked and Social Loan

- DBS Bank (Hong Kong) Limited and Henderson Land Development Company Limited have finalized a landmark HKD 5 billion bilateral financing package, marking a strong alignment of capital with purpose.
- The facility includes a HKD 2 billion four-year sustainability-linked loan (SLL), a HKD 2.9 billion five-year SLL, and a HKD 100 million social loan. All tranches are designed to meet Henderson Land's general funding needs while driving forward its environmental, social, and governance (ESG) commitments.

EU to set Ecodesign Plan Prioritizing Circular Standards for Apparel, Steel, Furniture

- The European Commission has adopted a 2025–2030 work plan under the Ecodesign for Sustainable Products Regulation (ESPR) and Energy Labelling Regulation, setting the stage for sweeping sustainability rules across key product sectors in the EU.

- The regulation empowers the Commission to enforce requirements covering product durability, reusability, repairability, recycled content, and environmental footprint, backed by tools like the Digital Product Passport to improve consumer transparency.

J.P. Morgan Leads Saudi Arabia's First Euro Green Bond Deal, Raising €1.5B for Climate Projects

- First-of-its-kind issuance: Saudi Arabia becomes the first MENA sovereign to issue a euro-denominated green bond, raising €1.5B.
- Investor appetite strong: The bond was over 4x oversubscribed, attracting €7.2B in bids, signaling robust demand for green investments.
- Strategic execution: J.P. Morgan leveraged decades-long ties and deep ESG expertise to coordinate the transaction, reinforcing its leadership in sustainable finance.

Upcoming Events And Conferences

India Green Energy Expo

 **Date : 19th June 2025 to 21st June 2025**

 **Location : BIEC Bengaluru International Exhibition Centre, Bengaluru, India**

Did You Know?

ECODESIGN - It is a design philosophy that prioritizes environmental protection and sustainability by integrating environmental criteria into every stage of a product's life cycle. It's a core principle of the circular economy, aiming to minimize waste and resource depletion.



What is the main purpose of double materiality in ESG reporting?

- To measure only financial risks.
- To track product quality and customer satisfaction.
- To assess both financial impact on the company and company's impact on society and environment.
- To increase marketing effectiveness.

Which financial instrument is specifically linked to ESG performance targets?

- Treasury bonds.
- Credit default swaps.
- Sustainability-linked bonds (SLBs).
- Exchange-traded funds (ETFs).

Test your ESG knowledge!

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

Thrive Engagements for the month of April

Health & Safety Training

As part of our commitment to workplace safety and emergency preparedness, CPR training was recently provided to employees across various departments. This initiative aimed to equip staff with life-saving skills that can make a critical difference during cardiac emergencies, both at work and in the community. The training emphasized the importance of quick response and hands-on practice to build confidence in real-life scenarios. We are proud to share that nearly 150 employees successfully completed the program and received official CPR certification, reinforcing our culture of care and responsibility.