



Rajasthan Mine Collapse

Why in News?

Recently, all 15 officials from [Hindustan Copper Limited](https://www.drishtiias.com/printpdf/rajasthan-mine-collapse) who were trapped in a mine in Rajasthan were rescued on 15 th May, 2024.

Key Points

- The incident happened at the **Kolihan mine** when a cage carrying the officials down the mine shaft collapsed after a rope snapped.
- Rescue efforts continued through the night, and all **14 survivors** were transported to a hospital in Jaipur for treatment.
- The **Kolihan Mine** are mechanised underground **copper mines** in Rajasthan owned by **Hindustan Copper Limited**.
- The mined ore is treated in the **Khetri Copper Complex's concentrator plant**.
- The **Kolihan mine** is located in the **Neem Ka Thana district** and is part of the **Khetri Copper Belt's northern tip**, covering 162.23 hectares.

Khetri Copper Complex

- Khetri is situated at the **foothills of the Aravalli Range**, which hosts **copper mineralisation**, giving rise to a 80 km long metallogenetic province from Singhana in the north to Raghunathgarh in the south, popularly known as **Khetri Copper Belt**.
- The belt comprises of tightly folded **Proterozoic metasediments** that rest over basement gneisses and is a part of the North Delhi fold belt.
- Prominent deposits of the belt are: **Khetri, Kolihan, Banwas, Chandmari, Dhani Basri, Baniwali Ki Dhani** (Neem Ka Thana, Rajasthan).
 - Other deposits are: **Dholamala, Akwali, Muradpura - Pacheri (Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan), and Devtalai (Bhilwara, Rajasthan)**.

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