

## Editor's Note

It is concerning to know that the International Finance Corporation (IFC) is [proposing to fund](#) 4 waste to energy plants in Gujarat. The investment of about USD 40 million to collectively burn 3,750 tons of garbage per day and release CO2 equivalent to the emissions from about 18,75,000 cars. It will also pollute air, water and soil, cause health issues, undermine sustainable waste management practices and impact livelihoods. [174 civil society organizations](#), networks, and activists have written a collective letter to the EDs of the World Bank, opposing the funding for Abellon Clean Energy, which plans to establish these plants.

CFA launched an exclusive microsite dedicated to its '[Plastics Fuel Infertility](#)' [campaign \(PFIC\)](#), to curate our work on the relationship between fossil fuels and plastics. We hope that the microsite will collectively be populated in the coming months so that it is a resource for different rights holders, researchers, journalists and policymakers on the issue of polymers and plastics.

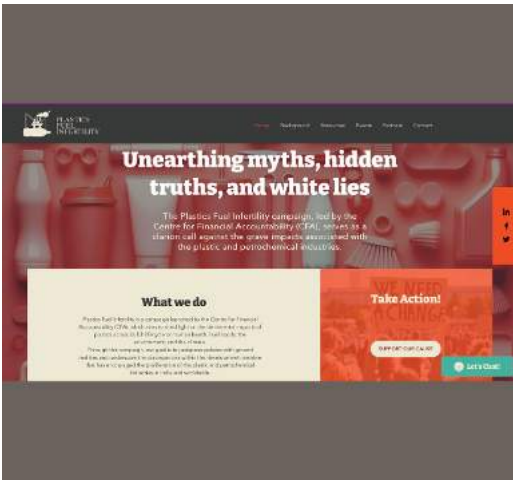
The National Green Tribunal has issued notices to the Centre, along with the Uttar Pradesh government, as well as Mirzapur Thermal Energy UP Private Limited, over violation of a 2016 order of the NGT, which prohibited construction on [Mirzapur forest division's forest land](#). The company, which is a subsidiary of Adani Power, has been illegally constructing walls and roads on forest land and encroaching on other lands. [Adani Power](#) is building a 1600 megawatt (2x800 MW) greenfield ultra-supercritical thermal power plant at Mirzapur in Uttar Pradesh as part of its strategy to double thermal power capacity to about 30 GW. While India is aiming to 50% installed capacity from renewables (500 GW) by 2030 to reduce the emission intensity of GDP by 45%, the government has also announced new thermal power projects for up to 80GW in the next few years.

— Energy Team at CFA



### India's Huge Thrust on Petrochemicals Belies its Tall Talk on Sustainable Energy

In her 2024 budget speech, Union finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman mentioned that "PVC (Poly Vinyl Chloride) flex banners are non-biodegradable and hazardous for environment and health. [Read More.](#)



### Centre for Financial Accountability Launches a New Microsite dedicated to its Plastics Fuel Infertility Campaign

Centre for Financial Accountability (CFA) launched an exclusive microsite dedicated to its 'Plastics Fuel Infertility' campaign (PFIC), on 28th August 2024 through an online event. [Read More.](#)



### Gujarat: 174 Civil Society Outfits Urge World Bank to Reject Loan for Harmful Waste-to-Energy Projects

A coalition of 174 civil society organisations, networks, & activists has written to the World Bank's board of directors, urging them to reject funding for 4 WTE incineration projects proposed by ACEL in Gujarat. [Read More.](#)

**An explainer video on the social, environmental, health, livelihoods, climate and financial impacts of burning garbage in waste-to-energy incinerators.**



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