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1.	12/1/13	<p><u>GSFCL gets reprieve from competition watch dog</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The company was accused of abusing its dominant market position to get dumping duty imposed on Chinese melamine. <p>http://www.thehindubusinessline.com/companies/gsfcl-gets-reprieve-from-competition-watchdog/article4302256.ece</p>	☺
2.	14/1/13	<p><u>CCI tweaks DLF- buyer agreements</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has modified the buyer-builder agreement in the case of 'abuse of dominance' by the country's largest realty player DLF. At least 16 sub-clauses, found abusive and unfair have been deleted. <p>http://www.governancenow.com/news/regular-story/cci-modifies-apartment-buyers-agreement-dlf-case</p>	☺
3.	17/1/13	<p><u>India's Competition Law Raises Concerns for Multinationals</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - At conference of the American Bar Association in New Delhi, participants pointed to several ambiguities in India's competition law and raised concerns over the process of competition assessment in the country. - One of the key topic of the discussion was "Overseas deals" - One of the cases discussed at the conference was the April 2012 deal where Swiss food company Nestle agreed to acquire American pharma firm Pfizer's nutrition business for US\$11.85 billion. Nestle has a large presence in India's food business and is a leading player in the baby foods segment <p>http://knowledgetoday.wharton.upenn.edu/2013/01/indias-competition-law-raises-concerns-among-multinationals/</p>	☹
4.	19/1/13	<p><u>CCI rejects plea against DLF</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Competition Commission of India (CCI) has dismissed an appeal seeking anti-dominance sanctions against a new project of realty major DLF, saying it will not entertain any such plea merely on the basis of penalties imposed on the company's Bellaire housing project. <p>http://pib.nic.in/newsite/erelease.aspx?relid=91685</p>	☺
5.	23/1/13	<p><u>CCI to meet CEOs of top 100 firms on competition issues</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Competition Commission of India (CCI) will convene a meeting of chief executives of country's top 100 companies early next year, as part of efforts to create more awareness about competition practices. <p>http://www.financialexpress.com/news/cci-to-meet-execs-of-top-100-firms/1064027</p>	☺
6.	24/1/13	<p><u>CCI begins investigation on verifone case</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - India's anti-trust watchdog has begun investigations into a complaint against US-based electronic payments company VeriFone Systems Inc. and its Indian arm Verifone India Sales Pvt. Ltd in a dispute over software upgrades <p>http://www.livemint.com/Companies/pBZV11dSum4vTeSF0QppqJ/CCI-begins-investigations-in-VeriFone-case.html</p>	☺
7.	25/1/13	<p><u>There shouldn't be a blanket exemption: Ashok chawla</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In an email interview, Chawla defends the CCI's decision to penalize the so-called cement cartel and insists that all markets, including commodity markets, must function in a fair and transparent manner <p>http://www.livemint.com/Politics/hxdCNNckZxca3QeWc7ADnM/There-shouldnt-be-a-blanket-exemption-CCIs-AshokChawla.html?goback=.gde_1903800_member_207921269</p>	☺
8.	25/1/13	<p><u>Competition panel approves Intel deal with Motorola Mobility</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Competition Commission of India has said that chip maker Intel has signed an agreement to acquire Motorola Mobility's assets, including patents. The panel has given the deal a green signal. <p>http://www.thehindubusinessline.com/industry-and-economy/info-tech/competition-panel-approves-intel-deal-with-motorola-mobility/article4344937.ece</p>	☺

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9.	30/1/13	<p><u>CCI gives 30 days to get oil blocks out of MoD fire –</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Cabinet Committee on Investment (CCI) asked the oil and defence ministries to sort out the issues concerning pending defence clearances for several oil and gas blocks and report back to the committee within a month <p>http://www.indianexpress.com/news/cci-gives-30-days-to-get-oil-blocks-out-of-mod-fire/1067131/#sthash.TOUbXzNg.dpuf</p>	☺
10.	11/2/13	<p><u>Forced under-pricing is not predatory: Competition Commission of India</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The case pertained to a tender worth Rs2,400 crore floated by ONGC in December, when one of the bidders HLS Asia Ltd alleged under-pricing against Schlumberger Asia Services Ltd, an arm of the world's largest oilfield service company. <p>http://www.dnaindia.com/money/1798571/report-forced-under-pricing-is-not-predatory-competition-commission-of-india</p>	☺
11.	17/2/13	<p><u>Competition Commission India slams perpetual rights for IPL</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fair trade regulator competition commission slapped a penalty of Rs 52.24 crore on Indian cricket board for indulging in anti-competitive practices. <p>http://articles.timesofindia.indiatimes.com/2013-02-08/top-stories/36992470_1_bcci-rs-professional-cricket-league-tournament-surinder-singh-barmi</p>	☺
12.	20/2/13	<p><u>Oil firms to get cci notice on cartelization</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - “Law does not distinguish between government and private companies,” said Ashok Chawla, chairman of CCI, addressing the annual global investor conference here of Kotak Institutional Equities. “After the government clarified that it does not have a role to play in petrol pricing after deregulation, we have taken up the issue.” <p>http://www.infraline.com/todaynews/Oil-Firms-To-Get-Competition-Commission-Of-India-Notice-On-Cartelisation/3/17/3/02_20_2013.htm</p>	☺
13.	21/2/13	<p><u>Exide gets CCI nod to buy stake in ING Vysva Life</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Competition Commission of India (CCI) has given the green signal to battery-maker Exide Industries Ltd's proposal to fully acquire ING Vysva Life Insurance Company, saying the deal would not adversely impact competition. <p>http://www.moneycontrol.com/news/business/exide-gets-cci-nod-to-buy-stakeing-vysva-life_828930.html</p>	☺
14.	21/2/13	<p><u>CCI drops case against LMW</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - According to the order, during the arbitration proceedings with the complainant, Lakshmi Machine Works had submitted that the increase in price was due to increase in cost of inputs such as raw materials and labour, among others. CCI noted that Lakshmi Machine Works had been “increasing the price of its products at regular intervals and it was not discriminating with any of its customers but had increased the prices for all of its customers alike”. <p>http://www.yarnsandfibers.com/preferredsupplier/news_fullstory.php?id=36606</p>	☺
15.	24/2/13	<p><u>CCI to pass order against 17 auto majors</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Competition Commission of India (CCI) is likely to soon pass an order against 17 leading automobile manufacturers for allegedly using their dominant position to sell spare parts only through authorised dealers, leading to exorbitant prices in the market. <p>http://www.business-standard.com/article/economy-policy/cci-to-pass-order-against-auto-majors-113022500030_1.html</p>	☺

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16.	25/2/13	<p><u>Chemists, druggists body fined for unfair trade practices by Competition Commission</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The CCI has also imposed a fine of Rs47.4 lakh on AIODC. The trade lobby has been found guilty of contravention of Sections 3(3) and 3(4) of the Competition Act, which relate to the abuse of dominant position. - The case was first filed before the CCI on 2 May, 2011 on a complaint filed by a drug trader Santuka Associates Pvt. Ltd. <p>http://www.financialexpress.com/news/chemists-druggists-body-fined-for-unfair-trade-practices-by-competition-commission/1079451</p>	☺
17.	28/2/13	<p><u>Competition Commission clears United Spirits-Diageo deal</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fair trade regulator Competition Commission has approved UK major Diageo Plc's proposed majority stake purchase in Vijay Mallya-led United Spirits, saying the deal would not have adverse impact on competition. - The proposed transaction worth about \$ 2 billion would provide much needed cash for Mallya's UB group, whose aviation venture Kingfisher Airlines is facing turbulent times - The commission didn't comment on the development. <p>http://www.business-standard.com/article/economy-policy/competition-commission-clears-united-spirits-diageo-deal-113022800658_1.html</p>	☺
18.	3/3/13	<p><u>Competition Commission of India rejects sponge iron makers complaint against NMDC</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The seven-member commission, headed by Chairperson Ashok Chawla, held that NMDC was not in a "dominant" position in the market and the production and sale of iron ore was anyway being affected by the Supreme Court orders on illegal mining in Karnataka. - The Supreme Court had banned the supply of iron ore by NMDC even to its long-term customers under the then existing long-term contracts. <p>http://www.steelguru.com/indian_news/Competition_Commission_of_India_rejects_sponge_iron_makers_complaint_against_NMDC/303994.html</p>	☺
19.	3/3/13	<p><u>Government seeks application for Competition Commission's DG post</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - "Persons to be considered for appointment should possess integrity and outstanding ability with experience in investigation and knowledge of accountancy, management, business, public administration, international trade, law or economics," Corporate Affairs Ministry said in a communication on February 22. <p>http://zeenews.india.com/business/news/economy/govt-seeks-application-for-competition-commissions-dg-post_71380.html</p>	☺
20.	12/3/13	<p><u>Competition Commission of India has pulled up Coal India for taking undue advantage of its monopoly position</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Responding to complaints made by state-run power utilities Maharashtra State Power Generation Company (Mahagenco) and Gujarat State Electricity Corporation (GSEC) a year ago alleging that CIL along with its subsidiaries was imposing unfair terms on them, CCI launched an investigation <p>http://www.governancenow.com/news/regular-story/cci-pulls-coal-india-being-unfair</p>	☺
21.	12/3/13	<p><u>Competition panel probes Prasar Bharti complaint against TAM</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The complaint against TAM is likely to be probed for alleged violations of Competition Act's Section 4, which pertains to abuse of dominant market position by an enterprise - There were also allegations that while there were more than 20 million TV households in the country, TAM installed meters in only 8,000 homes and that too in the cities that had a population of more than one lakh. The agency has also been accused of ignoring rural as well as smaller towns <p>http://www.business-standard.com/article/economy-policy/competition-panel-probes-prasar-bharti-complaint-against-tam-113031200546_1.html</p>	☺

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22.	16/3/13	<p><u>CCI probe Petrol price fixing</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - “We are in the process of finalising the probe very soon,” Chawla said. - Earlier, CCI had written to the Petroleum Ministry on the issue, but the Ministry had said that it has no role in deciding the prices of petrol as it is a deregulated commodity - The Commission as a whole will look at the matter and then take a decision <p>http://www.thehindubusinessline.com/economy/ci-probing-alleged-cartelisation-in-petrol-pricing/article4515603.ece</p>	☺
23.	25/3/13	<p><u>Competition Commission of India (CCI) Nominated for GCR Awards 2013</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CCI has been nominated first time by the Global Competition Review (GCR) -- a UK-based antitrust and competition law journal -- for an award in the category of 'Agency of the Year-Asia-Pacific, Middle East & Africa'. - Other agencies that were nominated in Agency of the Year-Asia-Pacific, Middle East & Africa category include Pakistan’s Competition Commission, Turkey’s Competition Authority and Japan’s Fair Trade Commission. <p>http://pib.nic.in/newsite/erelease.aspx?relid=94287</p>	☺