

Edition 11 (July to September, 2013)

Sr. No.	Date	News	Comments
July			
1.	3/7/13	<p><u>CCI seeks industry comments on Prasar Bharati's TAM view</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Competition Commission of India has sent a notice to stakeholders of the television industry in relation to the allegation by Prasar Bharati that TAM India is abusing its dominant position in television viewership measurement. <p>http://www.business-standard.com/article/companies/cci-seeks-industry-comments-on-prasar-bharati-s-tam-view-113070300816_1.html</p>	☺
2.	5/7/13	<p><u>CCI rejects abuse of dominance by United India Insurance Co</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - According to CCI, United India Insurance does not seem to hold a position of strength in the services of medical insurance, which can enable it to operate independently of the competitive forces along with its TPA. <p>http://www.bimabazaar.com/index.php/general-insurance-news/2304-cci-rejects-abuse-of-dominance-by-united-india-insurance-co</p>	☺
3.	13/7/13	<p><u>CCI seeks information on Jet Airways-Etihad deal</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has sought information on certain issues regarding the \$600-million Jet Airways-Etihad deal <p>http://www.financialexpress.com/news/cci-seeks-information-on-jet-airwaysetihad-deal/1141151</p>	☺
4.	15/7/13	<p><u>Competition Commission studies pharma sector practices</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A senior Commission official said the study is looking into various dimensions in manufacturing and sale of pharmaceuticals. "Various issues such as patent regime, the process of manufacturing, pricing, reasonable terms and conditions and the sale of drugs through chemists and druggists, will be looked into (in the study)." <p>http://m.economicstimes.com/news/news-by-industry/healthcare/biotech/pharmaceuticals/cci-studying-drug-sector-practices-amid-over-availability-of-cheaper-drugs/articleshow/21076419.cms</p>	☺
5.	15/7/13	<p><u>CCI to probe cartelization in spectrum auction</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Competition Commission of India has sought information from the Telecom Ministry on the recent spectrum auctions. The move comes against the backdrop of reports and allegations that cartelization among players during the spectrum auctions led to tepid response. <p>http://www.thehindubusinessline.com/industry-and-economy/info-tech/cci-decision-soon-on-probe-into-telecom-players-cartelisation/article5163645.ece</p>	☺
6.	23/7/13	<p><u>CCI probes Gujarat Gas on Saint Gobain Complaint</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Commission has launched an investigation into allegations of anti-competitive practices followed by Gujarat Gas Company, turning its gaze on a public sector gas supplier for the first time. <p>http://www.newshour24.com/indian/74vxc6kb/Cci-Probes-Gujarat-Gas-On-Saint-Gobain-Complaint.htm</p>	☺

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7.	28/7/13	<p>Ministry to regulate airfares through CCI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ticket pricing by airlines is set to come under scrutiny, with the civil aviation ministry roping in anti-trust watchdog Competition Commission of India to keep in check indiscriminate airfare increases in domestic aviation. <p>http://www.traveltechie.com/news/MoCA-to-regulate-airfares-through-Competition-Commission/6989</p>	☺
August			
1.	2/8/13	<p>Unfair trade practices in agriculture-market under CCI lens</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Competition Commission of India will examine agriculture markets to ensure that there is no cartelisation or unfair play in the determination of vegetable prices, since prices are soaring despite their tendency to ease during the monsoon season. <p>http://daily.bhaskar.com/article/NAT-TOP-despite-adequate-rainfall-why-are-prices-of-vegetables-increasing-4337131-NOR.html</p>	☺
2.	6/8/13	<p>Competition Commission of India rules out abuse of dominance by realty firm BPTP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fair trade regulator CCI has dismissed allegations of abuse of dominant market position against realty firm BPTP over residential flats in Faridabad. <p>http://www.justprop.com/forum/68-news/16201-competition-commission-of-india-rules-out-abuse-of-dominance-by-realty-firm-bptp</p>	☺
3.	7/8/13	<p>Competition panel penalizes 11 shoe-makers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CCI imposed penalty of Rs 6.18 crore on the 11 firms and asked the companies to 'cease and desist' from anti-competitive practices in future. <p>http://www.thehindubusinessline.com/industry-and-economy/competition-panel-penalises-11-shoemakers/article4999875.ece</p>	☺
4.	11/8/13	<p>Automakers come under CCI scanner</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If found guilty, automobile majors could be fined a maximum of 10% of the annual turnover under the present norms. "(If CCI finds discrepancy in pricing) it could be a huge jolt for the auto companies, which are already facing the heat of the slowdown," said an industry insider who did not wish to be identified. <p>http://www.hindustantimes.com/autos/auto/automakers-come-under-cci-scanner/article1-1106728.aspx</p>	☺
5.	15/8/13	<p>Traders under CCI scanner for possible onion cartelization</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - As onions continue to remain costly at about Rs 80 per kg, fair trade regulator CCI is looking into the possibility of cartelisation and hoarding by traders and other entities. <p>http://www.thehindubusinessline.com/industry-and-economy/agri-biz/cci-likely-to-probe-possible-cartelisation-of-onion-traders/article5025696.ece</p>	☺
6.	16/8/13	<p>CCI fines Singapore's Temasek for late filing of deal plea</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The fine has been imposed on Temasek Holdings and its two units for delay in submitting a mandatory notice to CCI with regard to proposed acquisition of shares from banking major DBS Group. <p>http://articles.economictimes.indiatimes.com/2013-08-16/news/41417610_1_temasek-holdings-competition-commission-fullerton-financial-holdings</p>	☺

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7.	18/8/13	<p><u>The Competition Commission of India chairman talks about the challenges ahead</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 'We May Look At Private Hospitals That Overcharge': Ashok Chawla <p>http://www.outlookindia.com/article.aspx?287304</p>	☺
8.	20/8/13	<p><u>Competition commission of India started investigation against JP GROUP</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - While the investigation arm of the CCI has accepted that most of the allegations made by the aggrieved flat owners are true, it has let the company off the hook on the premise that it is not a dominant market player <p>http://www.legalera.in/news-deals/highlights/competition-news/item/9951-according-to-ccis-unfair-practices-of-jaypee-industry-practice-and-not-abuse-of-market-power</p>	☺
9.	20/8/13	<p><u>CCI rejects complaint against Civil Aviation Ministry</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Competition Commission of India, which keeps a tab on unfair trade practices in the market place, has said that formulation of policy by the Ministry does not fall under its ambit. <p>http://articles.economictimes.indiatimes.com/2013-08-20/news/41429025_1_competition-commission-competition-act-civil-aviation-ministry</p>	☹
10.	28/8/13	<p><u>Competition Commission of India investigates ethanol tender procedures</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Competition Commission of India (CCI) has initiated a probe into suspected violation of competition laws in ethanol tenders floated by oil marketing companies (OMC) such as Indian Oil, Bharat Petroleum and Hindustan Petroleum and a number of sugar manufacturers. <p>http://www.agra-net.com/portal2/home.jsp?template=newsarticle&artid=20018068474&pubid=ag072</p>	☺
11.	29/8/13	<p><u>Competition Commission okays Mahindra-CIE deal</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - As per the deal, CIE would consolidate its European forgings businesses with Mahindra Systech firms that comprises of Mahindra Forgings, Mahindra Composites, Mahindra Castings, Mahindra Investments (India), Mahindra Gears International and MUSCO, into one entity — Mahindra CIE Automotive. <p>http://www.thehindubusinessline.com/companies/competition-commission-okays-mahindracie-deal/article5071841.ece</p>	☺
September			
1.	08/09/13	<p><u>For fair competition, CCI reaches out to policymakers</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Competition Commission of India (CCI), that keeps a tab on unfair trade practices at the market place, is also carrying out sensitization programmes for various trade association and private sector players. <p>http://zeenews.india.com/business/news/companies/for-fair-competition-cci-reaches-out-to-policymakers_83569.html</p>	☺
2.	10/09/13	<p><u>Competition watchdog to probe DDA</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CCI will be acting on a complaint by Satynarayan Rao, who had alleged that DDA's agreements were heavily loaded in its favour. <p>http://www.thehindubusinessline.com/industry-and-economy/real-estate/competition-watchdog-to-probe-dda/article5113131.ece</p>	☺
3.	13/09/13	<p><u>CCI starts to examine Jet-Etiad deal</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - "We will examine all these issues in detail. We had sought some additional details from Jet on certain issues and have now got the same," said a CCI official <p>http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/business/india-business/CCI-starts-to-examine-jet-</p>	☺

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4.	13/09/13	<p data-bbox="440 226 812 254">Etihad-deal/articleshow/22531233.cms</p> <p data-bbox="440 254 982 281">CCI gives green signal to Ratnakar Bank-RBS deal</p> <ul data-bbox="488 281 1299 394" style="list-style-type: none"> - In its order dated September 10, the CCI said the proposal “is not likely to have an appreciable adverse effect on competition in India and, therefore, the Commission hereby approves the proposed combination under...the (Competition) Act”. <p data-bbox="440 422 1256 472">http://www.thehindubusinessline.com/industry-and-economy/banking/cci-gives-green-signal-to-ratnakar-bankrbs-deal/article5125070.ece</p>	☺
5.	16/09/13	<p data-bbox="440 472 964 499">CCI begins investigation against ACI Worldwide</p> <ul data-bbox="488 499 1299 554" style="list-style-type: none"> - Investigation was initiated on a complaint that ACI has abused their dominance by imposing unfair conditions <p data-bbox="440 554 1295 604">http://www.livemint.com/Companies/XYIV5pPJI0km4K1fKnIw00/CCI-begins-investigation-against-ACI-Worldwide.html</p>	☺
6.	17/09/13	<p data-bbox="440 625 1110 653">CCI rejects complaint of dominance by anti-narcotic agencies</p> <ul data-bbox="488 653 1299 737" style="list-style-type: none"> - Dismissing the complaint, the CCI said that there “does not exist a prima facie case for causing an investigation to be made by the Director General under section 26(1) of the [Competition] Act.” <p data-bbox="440 737 1235 787">http://www.thehindu.com/business/Industry/cci-rejects-complaint-of-dominance-by-antinarcotics-agencies/article5137979.ece?homepage=true</p>	☹
7.	23/09/13	<p data-bbox="440 808 849 835">CCI extends probe against Google</p> <ul data-bbox="488 835 1299 932" style="list-style-type: none"> - The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has given more time to its director general to complete probe against Google for alleged unfair practices in the internet search engine market. <p data-bbox="440 961 1253 1012">http://www.business-standard.com/article/companies/competition-commission-probe-against-google-gets-extension-113092300572_1.html</p>	☺