

July-December 2009

S.No.	Date	News/Abstract	Comment
1.	Aug 8, 2009	<p><u>Awareness Programme on Competition Law</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CCI will organise a public awareness programme “Competition Law; Challenges and Answers” on August 9, in association with the KELSA, SIRC and Kerala Chamber of Commerce and Industry. <p>http://www.thehindu.com/todays-paper/tp-national/tp-kerala/article199885.ece</p>	☺
2.	Sept16, 2009	<p><u>Competition Commission of India fully functional</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CCI is now fully functional with five out of its six members and the chairman joining the team. The powers and functions of the CCI, will be to protect the interests of consumers, ensure freedom of trade carried on by other participants in markets in India, eliminate practices having adverse effect on competition, promote and sustain competition, undertake competition advocacy, create public awareness and impart training in competition issues. <p>http://www.thehindu.com/todays-paper/tp-national/tp-tamilnadu/article184871.ece</p>	☺
3.	Oct. 4, 2009	<p><u>Promote competition to ensure quality services</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CCI Chairman, Dhanendra Kumar, stressed the need for expediting notification of all sections of the Competition Commission Act for bringing about the results anticipated from legislation. - Supreme Court Judge Justice Altamas Kabir stressed the need for CCI to take up advocacy on promoting competition as it would ensure quality services to people at competitive prices. <p>http://www.thehindu.com/todays-paper/tp-national/tp-andhrapradesh/article154668.ece</p>	☺
4.	Oct. 20, 2009	<p><u>Tribunal inaugurated</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Competition Appellate Tribunal (CAT) will act as the appropriate forum for hearing grievances against the decisions and remedies given by the CCI. <p>http://www.thehindu.com/todays-paper/tp-national/article165259.ece</p>	☺
5.	Dec 15, 2009	<p><u>The future of competition (By Rahul Singh)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CCI ought to make optimal choices as it focuses on its mandate of consumer welfare and seeks to earn legitimacy in the eyes of the market. Due to scarcity of resources CCI faces competing demands upon its available resources therefore the need of the hour is to select those few cases that involve a substantial impact upon consumers, and then to concentrate the commission’s energy on them which means prioritizing cases. Carefully calibrated steps by CCI have the potential of ensuring that it does not become yet another humdrum regulator. 	☺

		http://www.livemint.com/2009/12/15214739/The-future-of-competition.html	
6.	Dec18, 2009	<u>Nod for Competition (Amendment) Bill</u> – The Bill repeals and replaces the Competition (Amendment) Ordinance, 2009 and provides for transfer of anti-competition cases pending before MRTPC to an appellate tribunal. MRTPC would cease to exist. http://www.thehindu.com/todays-paper/tp-national/article118404.ece	