Pakistani National Park threatened by oil exploration

Oil industry is one of the most polluting worldwide and its activities have caused extensive damages in the Amazon. Now news from Asia arrive.

The British-based oil company, Premier Oil, has begun preparations for oil exploration in Pakistan's largest park, Kirthar National Park. This is in spite of the fact that the company was refused permission by the Sindh Wildlife Department. Apparently, a concession was sold to Premier Oil by Pakistan's Director General for petroleum concessions, and has overridden the objections of the Sindh Wildlife Department. In effect, a team of Premier Oil entered the Kirthar National Park to conduct an environmental impact assessment. The Hegler and Bailey team, consultants of Premier Oil, is expected to stay in the park for a few weeks to perform their EIA. For more information address: Ayaz Latif Palijo, Chairman Sindh Research Council(SRC),B-48, Prince Town, (QA), Hyderabad, Sindh, Pakistan;

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