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Supreme Court Warns of Mining Ban, Urges Preventive Detention to Halt Sand Loot in Chambal Sanctuary

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Illegal sand extraction in the fragile National Chambal Sanctuary has drawn sharp judicial scrutiny, with the Supreme Court issuing a set of tough directions aimed at immediately curbing the activity. The Court, acting in a suo motu matter, stressed that unchecked mining in the eco-sensitive region demanded urgent and decisive intervention.

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