

Magnesium production

A rousing response to a technology denial

The Indo-Pak war of 1965 highlighted the strategic importance of the magnesium metal. Magnesium, required for war-time 'flares', was in short supply and no one was willing to sell it to India! In a rousing response to this technology denial, by 1975, CSIR had built a magnesium stockpile for the defence sector. In 1980, the technology was licensed to private companies all over the country. In 1990, CSIR won the WIPO Gold Medal (1990) for development of magnesium technologies.



CSIR-trail-blazing initiatives in magnesium technology