# **Intelligence Briefing about Renewable Energy**

### **Critical Trends Impacting XYZ Group**

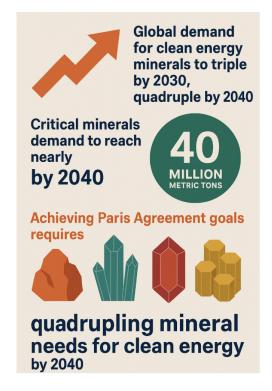
 Global demand for critical minerals essential to clean energy technologies (e.g., lithium, copper, selenium) is projected to quadruple by 2040 to meet climate targets.

(UNCTAD, Build Central)

 Investment requirements in mining critical minerals to support the energy transition could reach USD 800 billion by 2040 to align with the Paris Agreement.

(IISD)

- Accelerated growth of renewable energy sources—solar, wind, hydropower—and nuclear power (e.g., India's 100 GW nuclear target by 2047) are reshaping global energy landscapes. (<u>Daily Pioneer</u>, <u>Windfarm Management</u>)
- Electrification and clean energy adoption are driving exceptional demand growth for copper, critical for EVs and renewable infrastructure. (Goldseek)



# **Key Challenges, Opportunities & Risks**

- **Challenges:** Securing stable and sustainable supply chains for critical minerals amid increased demand and geopolitical tensions.
- **Opportunities:** Leveraging expertise in precision components for EVs, renewable energy machinery, and nuclear technologies to capture new markets.
- **Risks**: Exposure to raw material price volatility and potential regulatory costs associated with stricter environmental and energy policies.
- **Societal Impact:** The need for circular economy integration and community engagement in mineral sourcing to align with ESG goals.

# **Scenario Development**

#### Best-case Scenario:

Strong global cooperation leads to accelerated clean energy deployment, stable supply chains, and efficient recycling systems, enabling XYZ to expand market share sustainably.

#### Moderate-growth Scenario:

Clean energy demand grows steadily but is slowed by regulatory delays and intermittent supply disruptions, requiring XYZ to navigate cautious investment and diversify sourcing.

#### • Supply-constrained Scenario:

Intensified geopolitical conflicts and raw material shortages drive significant price spikes and supply bottlenecks, forcing operational adjustments and risk mitigation.

#### • Worst-case Scenario:

Failure to meet climate commitments results in increased regulatory penalties, energy price shocks, and decelerated clean tech adoption, negatively impacting XYZ's growth and innovation pipeline.

## **Strategic Questions for Senior Advisors**

- How can XYZ strategically position itself to secure resilient access to critical minerals amid increasing global competition and geopolitical risks?
- What investments or partnerships could accelerate XYZ's innovation in renewable energy components and nuclear technology supply chains?
- In what ways could XYZ integrate circular economy principles to enhance sustainability and reduce exposure to raw material volatility?
- How might emerging regional clean energy policies and targets (e.g., India, Australia, Africa) influence XYZ's global market strategy?

### **Potential Actionable Insights**

- XYZ could consider developing or expanding strategic partnerships with mineral producers and renewable energy firms to strengthen supply chain visibility and security.
- Exploring investments in R&D focused on material efficiency and recycling technologies could reduce dependency on raw mineral inputs.
- Engagement in policy dialogues and industry alliances could enable proactive adaptation to evolving regulatory landscapes.
- Aligning product development with regional clean energy initiatives might unlock tailored growth opportunities in emerging markets.