

**MEDIA RELEASE****‘Wealth from Waste’; the theme for Vedanta’s World Environment Day celebrations in Goa**

**Panjim, 8<sup>th</sup> June, 2015:** Vedanta Limited celebrated World Environment Day (WED) on 5<sup>th</sup> June at its locations in Goa. The activities included planting saplings, conducting cleanliness drives, solid waste management awareness, and various competitions on ‘wealth from waste’ based on this year’s WED theme ‘Seven Billion Dreams. One Planet Consume with Care.’

At Vedanta’s Value Addition Business (VAB) Amona, Mr. Jose Manuel Noronha, Chairman, Goa State Pollution Control Board (GSPCB) was the Chief Guest of the programme. While addressing the gathering, Noronha said that this year’s theme of World Environment Day is saying ‘no’ to consumerism. “All what we should say or understand is not to own too much and efficiently use our natural resources.”

Mr. Kishore Kumar, CEO, Vedanta Limited Iron Ore business, presided over the celebrations. “Vedanta is committed to put our best efforts in optimizing and utilisation of resources like water, energy, minerals land and biodiversity,” said Mr. Kumar, further assuring that VAB in a span of two years is determined to be a benchmark plant in the world.

Mr. NL Vhatte, Head VAB also spoke on the occasion and assured of effective implementation of 3Rs of Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle.

At Vedanta’s Codli mines a plantation drive was organised which was attended by Mr. Ganesh C. Gaonkar- MLA –Sanvordem Constituency, Mrs. Suvarna Tendulkar- ZP- Sanvordem Constituency, Mr. Govind Gaonkar- ZP- Dharbandora Constituency, Mr. Kalidas Gaonkar- Sarpanch- Kirlapal, Dabal, along with Mr. Joseph Coelho, Business Manager South, Mr. Prabhakar Gaonkar- Kalsai Village, Mr. Chandrakant Gaonkar- Codli Village and about 100 employees.

Several programmes were arranged in the Bicholim Mine. A Solid Waste management awareness drive was organised in collaboration with Yuvak Kala Manch and Pilgao Shetkari Samiti, which was attended by about 45 people. Ms. Leena Verenkar, Associate General Manager – CSR at Vedanta, Mr. Ashok Kharbe – Associate Manager HR at Vedanta, Sunil Pilgaonkar - President of Yuvak Kala Manch Pilgao, Mr. Purushotham Gaonkar- President of Shetkari Samiti Pilgao, Mr. Sujit Naik – field Assistant - MFG and the primary school, head mistress graced the occasion.

A plantation programme was also organised in the Bicholim mine, Mr. Milind Karkhanis, Deputy Conservator of Forest was the Chief Guest for the programme. Mr. Paresh Porob, Wild Life expert was invited as a resource person to address the gathering. Mr. Ulhas Kerkar Business Manager North, Mr. Jagdish Desai, Manager Environment, Mr. Shrishaila Gowda, Mines Manager, also were present along with around 50 people.

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Vedanta has also scheduled various other programmes in the coming days such as, launching of green school programme, awareness drives for school students through mine visits distribution of solar lanterns to tribal community in Codli.

**Photo Caption:** Goa State Pollution Control Board Chairman, Jose Manuel Noronha watering the sapling. Seen with him is Mr. Kishore Kumar, CEO (centre) and Mr. NL Vhatte, Head –VAB (extreme right).

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