
PRESS RELEASE

Vedanta Limited – Sesa Goa Iron Ore Tops the Mines Safety & Productivity Council Awards

- ❖ Sesa Goa Iron ore bags all 4 A Category Mines Awards and 4 Overall awards in B & D category mines.
- ❖ Sesa Goa Iron ore receives around 40 Awards

Panaji, January 23, 2017: Vedanta’s Sesa Goa Iron Ore with its stellar performance on Safety won around 40 awards at the Mines Safety & Productivity Council Awards including all the four prestigious awards in “A” Category Mines.

Speaking on the occasion Shri. Swapan Kumar Dutta - Deputy Director General of Mines Safety said: “I congratulate the Vedanta team for their excellence and continual improvement towards the journey of Zero Harm”.

Shri B. L. Meena - Director of Mines Safety, Goa Region and Convener of the Mines Safety & Productivity Council presented a brief report on the activities during the Mines Safety Week and congratulated the winners and motivated others to win such admired awards.

“Safety is an imperative to Vedanta’s vision of long-term sustainable development as well as crucial to maintain the ‘License to Operate’. The importance of a zero harm workplace is reiterated and emphasized across the business. As an organization we believe, safety comes first, be it at home or the workplace. The company follows global benchmarking standards in terms of adhering to safety procedures, work environment and safety infrastructure.” said Mr. Vijay Kumar – Head IOG Operations, Sesa Goa Iron Ore.

Safety is a core value and a part of the company’s long-term business goals. Vedanta has developed & implemented internal standards on safety. All Vedanta’s companies have adopted a robust approach to hazard identification and risk assessment studies.

The ‘Mines Safety Week’ was celebrated after the gap of five years after resumption of Mining Operations in 2015.

The function was presided by Mr. Sarvesh Timblo - Director of Pandurago Timblo Industries and President of Mines Safety & Productivity Council, also the host this year. Various officials from the mining companies from Goa, Sindhudurg, Kolhapur and part of Karnataka attended the event. Mr C. S. Dhaveji - Sr. Vice President –PTI and Secretary of Mines Safety & Productivity Council proposed the vote of thanks.

About the Mines Safety & Productivity Council Awards : During the Mines Safety Week Trade tests were conducted and Vedanta – Sesa Goa Iron Ore bagged about 15 awards in different categories like Electrician, Mine mate, blaster, foreman etc. The evaluation of the organization’s safety standards was done on the basis of a predefined criteria and scorecard consisting of experts from Mining & Engineering.

Vedanta –Sesa Goa Iron Ore bagged all the four Overall awards in Mining and Engineering in Group A mines of Large Mechanized category.

Bicholim Iron ore Mine - Overall First prize in Mining and Second in Engineering

Codli Mine - First prize in Engineering

Sonshi mine - Second prize in the Mining category

Surla Sonshi Iron ore mine - Overall First prize in Engineering and Second in Mining for B category of Mines

Sankhali Mine - Overall First prize in Engineering and Second in mining in D category

Codli Mine stall won the second prize in the exhibition of Mine Model and Best Safety Practices. Vedanta Mines also received 15 other awards in individual categories including Implementation of Tripartite meeting on 11th Safety conference and Safety Consciousness’ and accident analysis etc.

Photocaption: Team Sesa Goa Iron Ore with Dy. Director General Mines Safety (South Central Zone, Hyderabad) Shri Swapan Kumar Dutta & Shri B. L. Meena. Director of Mines Safety (Goa Region)

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