

## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Goa CM inaugurates Computer Lab developed by Vedanta and Felicitates Teachers' of Government High School, Amona**

**Amona, 12<sup>th</sup> September 2019:** Dr. Pramod Sawant, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Goa today inaugurated a Computer Lab wholly developed by Vedanta Sesa Goa Iron Ore and located at the Government High School, Amona. The inauguration was followed by a well-received felicitation ceremony organized for the school's deserving teachers. The brand-new Computer Lab facility is intended to hugely benefit the students as well as the teachers of GHS Amona by providing both groups a unique and very useful opportunity to undergo computer-based E-learning. The students will not only learn the basics of computer operations but also will be able to empower themselves for possible careers in this extremely lucrative and employment positive arena.

Present at the occasion were Mr. N.L. Vhatte, Director, Value Added Business, Vedanta Limited, along with the school's PTA members, the School Management Committee, its Teaching and Support staff, and the school students.

Addressing the gathering, Dr. Pramod Sawant, Hon'ble Chief Minister, Goa, said, "This notable and noble initiative by Vedanta will help the students by providing them with the basic knowledge about computers and their usages. This skill is absolutely critical and very vital in today's technologically driven world. I extend my appreciation towards Vedanta for their continued efforts towards the socio-economic upliftment of our community. These steps hold more meaning given the challenging times our people live in today. I strongly appeal our community youth to make use of this facility to develop themselves as technocrats to such an extent so that they can explore best of employment opportunities not only in Goa but also other parts of the country and abroad. My best wishes are also for the teachers and school staff in appreciation of their untiring efforts for the mental and intellectual progress of students and in helping and guiding these students towards becoming responsible citizens. I urge students, teachers, and all others from this area to come ahead and avail the maximum benefit from this computer lab facility."

Speaking on the occasion Mr. N.L. Vhatte said, "Sustainability and community development are an Integral part of Vedanta's business philosophy. As a responsible corporate we always strive hard to contribute our maximum towards Socio-Economic development of our community. Education is one of the major thrust areas of our CSR interventions. The Sesa Technical Schools, e-shiksha, Goa Mining Engineering College, Smart Class, Awareness programs etc. are few of the projects that we have undertaken as part of our education thrust. It is our promise that we shall continue to work closely with our Community and ensure that our contribution for the betterment of society always bears fruit."

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The initiative of providing a computer lab and the felicitation of the school's teachers was deeply appreciated by the PTA Members and by the School's Management Committee. This intervention is intended for the long-term benefit of all students of the school and will enable them to become skilled members of the new and ever evolving global economy.

Photo Caption - Dr. Pramod Sawant, Goa CM , Mr. N.L.Vhatte, Director, VAB- Vedanta Limited and other dignitaries inaugurating Vedanta Computer Lab.

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