

## PRESS RELEASE

## Goa CM lauds Vedanta Sesa Goa Iron Ore for community infrastructure development initiatives at Amona.

- Vedanta Sesa Goa Iron Ore Business renovated Amona Village Panchayat ground and initiates compound wall construction work for Mahadev temple at Amona.

**Goa:** Goa CM Dr. Pramod Sawant lauded Vedanta Sesa Goa Iron Ore's community infrastructure initiatives while he graced the occasion as a Chief Guest, for handing over village playground to Amona panchayat which is renovated by Vedanta Sesa Goa Iron Ore and laid the foundation stone to initiate the Vedanta's one more infrastructure project in the village that is, construction work of compound wall for Mahadev Temple, Amona. All safety, hygiene and social distancing measures been adopted at the event given the present unprecedented circumstances of the ubiquitous COVID pandemic.

Dignitaries present for the events Mr. Kashinath Mhato, Sarpanch, & panchayat members of Village Panchayat Amona ,Mr. Govind V Naik, Headmaster, Government High School, Amona ,Mr. N.L. Vhatte, Director, Vedanta- Value Added Business (VAB) , members of Shri Shantadurga Devasthan Committee Amona, Vedanta – VAB employees and Villagers.

**Hon'ble Goa CM Dr. Pramod Sawant** applauded Vedanta and said, *"I appreciate Vedanta Sesa Goa Iron Business and all the panchayat members for consistent efforts towards upgrading village infrastructure which is of utmost importance for overall development of communities.I am sure this renovated panchayat playground will help in promotion of sports in the village and will benefit all sections of the village community at large for healthy life. I urge all the villagers to make optimum use of these facilities developed by Vedanta Sesa Goa Iron Ore"* 

The aim of these initiatives by Vedanta Sesa Goa Iron Ore, is to provide the infrastructure development support to Amona village, which is a vital component for holistic development of communities. Infrastructure development is the major thrust area of Vedanta's CSR interventions and since past several decades the company has contributed through numerous community infrastructure development projects across the state.

**Mr. Sauvick Mazumdar, CEO, Vedanta Sesa Goa Iron Ore Business** Quoted, "At Vedanta, we believe in achieving the sustainable growth with major emphasis on holistic development of communities coupled with robust stakeholder engagement. These infrastructure developments are the part of our endeavor to facilitate the comprehensive village development and expand our reach to benefit all the sections of communities around."

Speaking on the occasion **Mr. N.L. Vhatte Director- Vedanta, VAB** said, "As VAB Team we are profoundly engaged in meaningful, wellbeing driven initiatives that impact lives and pave way for the holistic development of



our communities around. In line with our philosophy of 'Growing along with the community' which is entrenched in our day-to-day operations and we will continue to support the development and create value for our stakeholders through all possible means"

The CSR Initiatives of Vedanta Sesa Goa Iron ore has reached out to the larger section of the communities across the state over past several decades. The flagship CSR initiatives of the company such as Sesa Technical School, Sesa Football Academy, Vedanta computer literacy programs, Scholarship, Community Medical Centers & Mobile health unit's etc. touched lakhs of people.

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## About Sesa Goa Iron Ore Business

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