

## **Press Note**

### **Vedanta Sesa Goa partners with Goa Government to bolster skill development for the youth.**

- Vedanta Sesa Goa Iron Ore Business signs MOU with GHRDC, Goa Govt. to partner in Chief Minister's apprenticeship training scheme.
- The scheme is aimed towards promoting skill development opportunities for the Goan Youth, wherein 2500 people will be benefitted every year across the state.

**Goa, 21.06.2021:** Vedanta Sesa Goa Iron Ore Business signs MOU with Goa Human Resource Development Corporation (GHRDC), Goa Govt., for the promotion of skill development program under the Goa Chief Minister's Apprenticeship training scheme which is in line with central Government Apprenticeship promotion scheme. Vedanta Sesa Goa Iron Ore Business and other industrial establishments in the state joined in Goa Governments endeavour to create skill development opportunities for around 2500 Goan youths per annum helping them to hone up their skills for employability. The MOU with GHRDC was signed in the presence of Hon'ble Chief Minister of Goa- Dr.Pramod Sawant whereas Mr. Narayan Navti, managing Director, GHRDC & Mr. Praveen George, Chief Human Resource officer (CHRO) - Vedanta Iron Ore Business signed MOU for respective organizations. Senior HR executives from Vedanta Mr. Ashok Kharbe, CHRO, Iron Ore Goa Division and Ms. Joy Afonso, CHRO, VAB were also present during the MOU exchange ceremony.

Speaking on the occasion **Hon'ble Chief Minister of Goa Dr.Pramod Sawant** appreciated GHRDC and Industrial establishments and Said" I congratulate Vedanta, cipla, colorcon and all other renowned industries in the state for signing MOU with GHRDC under the Goa Chief Minister's Apprenticeship training scheme. This program will benefit 2500 youth from Goa every year and will help them to upgrade their skills for employability"

**Mr. Sauvick Mazumdar, CEO- Iron and Steel Business, Vedanta Limited** quoted" We are extremely pleased to partner with Goa Govt. to further promote skill development through Goa Chief Minister's Apprenticeship training scheme. At Vedanta we are committed to empowering youth and supporting the communities through sustainable livelihood opportunities, which is extremely essential to fulfil the vision of Aatmanirbhar Bharat."

Skill development and creating sustainable livelihood opportunities for the communities is one of the major thrust area of Vedanta's CSR programs. Vedanta Sesa Goa Iron Ore Business is contributing towards skill development and employability for the Goan youth through Sesa Community Development foundation wherein Sesa Technical School has a rich legacy of 25 years with 1500 + students completed their skill training followed by job placement in reputed organisation. Sesa Football Academy has groomed over 230 + Footballers till date and many of them shining at prestigious sports platforms.

**About Vedanta Limited**

Vedanta Limited, a subsidiary of Vedanta Resources Limited, is one of the world's leading Oil & Gas and Metals company with significant operations in Oil & Gas, Zinc, Lead, Silver, Copper, Iron Ore, Steel, and Aluminium & Power across India, South Africa, Namibia, and Australia. For two decades, Vedanta has been contributing to India's growth story, currently contributing 1 percent of India's GDP. The company is among the top private sector contributors to the exchequer with the highest ever contribution of INR 42,560 Crore in FY 2019. Governance and sustainable development are at the core of Vedanta's strategy, with a strong focus on health, safety, and environment and on enhancing the lives of local communities. The company has been conferred the CII-ITC Sustainability Award, the FICCI CSR Award, Dun & Bradstreet Awards in Metals & Mining, and certified as a Great Place to Work. Vedanta Limited is listed on the Bombay Stock Exchange and the National Stock Exchange in India and has ADRs listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

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**About Sesa Goa Iron Ore Business**

Sesa Goa Iron Ore Business of Vedanta Limited is engaged in exploration, mining, and processing of iron ore. The company was founded in 1954 as Scambi Economici SA Goa and acquired by Vedanta. Since then, it has grown to be one among the top low-cost producers of iron ore in the country. During 1991-1995, it diversified into the manufacture of pig iron and metallurgical coke. It has also developed indigenous and environment-friendly technology for producing high quality metallurgical coke. Sesa Goa Iron Ore also has a 60 MW power plant that produces clean power by using the waste heat recovery from its coke ovens and blast furnace gas. Sesa Goa Iron Ore operations in India are in Goa & Karnataka.

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