

Press Note

Vedanta continues to promote sustainable employment opportunities through development of qualified mining professionals from Goa.

- Vedanta in collaboration with Govt. & Goa Engineering College started mining engineering degree programme in 2011. Till Date 189 youth completed mining engineering Degree course.
- Vedanta to support 18 students of 2021-22 mining engineering batch, with full four years sponsorship.

Goa, 28.09.2021: Vedanta Sesa Goa Iron Ore Business committed to sponsor 18 aspiring students of 2021-22 batch from Goa, throughout their four years mining engineering degree program. Mining Engineering programme which was started in the year 2011 through collaboration between Vedanta Sesa Goa Iron Ore Business, Goa engineering college and Goa Govt. have provided opportunity to over 189 aspiring youth to pursue professional career in metal & mining industry. Alumni of Goa Mining engineering college are shining at top notch mining and Metal companies, whereas one of the alumna Ms. Yogeshwari Rane, who joined Vedanta have become the first women in Indian Mining Industry to receive the 'First Class Mines Manager' certificate of competency in "Unrestricted" category.

Goa Mining Engineering program is approved by AICTE and affiliated to Goa University. College campus and infrastructure, is well equipped with best in class infrastructure including spacious lecture halls, seminar hall, laboratories, meeting hall etc. The degree course was started with an aim to impart high quality knowledge & skill based education in Mining operations, to aspiring youth with utmost focus on sustainable and systematic exploration & extraction of natural resources.

Principal of Goa Engineering College, said "Department of Mining Engineering at Goa College of Engineering, Farmagudi was established under Memorandum of Understanding with Government of Goa and Vedanta Ltd. (Sesa Goa) in the year 2011. It is one of the unique Public Private Partnership model (PPP) in the State of Goa. The total infrastructure and its initial operational cost for a period of 5½ years till December 2016 was borne by the company. Department is equipped with good infrastructure, State-of-the-art laboratories, Computer Centre, Library, Seminar Hall, Meeting room etc. This year the department of mining Engineering has come up with a unique Sponsorship Scheme to the students of Mining Engineering wherein Vedanta Ltd. has committed to sponsor 18 seats. The total fees for 4 years degree programme of the selected local students shall be paid by the company. Department of Mining Engineering, Farmagudi extend sincere thanks and gratitude to Vedanta Ltd. For supporting this great initiatives of students Sponsorship to keep the department in dynamic state in anticipation of bright future for the mining Engineers"

Mr. Sauvick Mazumdar, CEO – Iron & Steel Sector, Vedanta Limited quoted "At Vedanta, we believe in empowering youth through quality education. Mining engineering - a degree course which we launched in collaboration with the Goa engineering college & Govt. of Goa, has provided the much needed platform to our aspiring Goan youth to excel in a wider arena of Metal & Mining. I, being a Mining engineer, am amazed to bear witness to the success of these mining professionals especially in the transformation in Metal & Mining sector wherein more and more women mining professional

are excelling in the mining industry and many among them are alumnae of Goa Mining Engineering College"

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

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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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