

PRESS RELEASE

Vedanta's Iron Ore Karnataka bags prestigious FIMI's 'Subh Karan Sarawagi Environment Award' for robust Environment Management

Chitradurga/Delhi: Vedanta's Iron Ore Karnataka Division bagged prestigious 'Subh Karan Sarawagi Environment Award' by Federation of Indian Mineral Industries (FIMI), in recognition of exemplary robust Environment Management initiatives at A. Narrain Mines in Karnataka. The award was presented to Vedanta- Iron Ore Karnataka team by Mr. Anil Kumar Jain, Secretary, Ministry of Mines and Coal, Government of India in presence of senior management team from FIMI. Mr. Parthiban Madesh, Deputy Manager, HSE represented Vedanta for the award ceremony held at New Delhi.

Vedanta's Iron Ore Karnataka has adopted several best in class Environment Management practices including that of effective reclamation of Mining & dump sites, Water conservation, healthy Environment monitoring mechanism, Plantation drives in and around the operational sites etc. Vedanta has adopted sustainability framework and HSE policies which are in the complete alignment with the best in class international standards/guidelines for sustainability.

Mr. Sauvick Mazumdar, CEO, Vedanta Sesa Goa Iron Business congratulated the team and Said "At Vedanta we strongly believe that Sustainability is an integral part of our Business philosophy. Our aim is to achieve the sustainable growth by ensuring strict adherence to our top most priority of 'Zero Harm, Zero Waste & Zero Discharge'. We are committed to create maximum value for all our stakeholders and to contribute towards the fulfilment of larger vision of Nation building & self-reliant India. "

Mr. R. K. Sharma, Secretary General, FIMI quoted "I congratulate Vedanta's Iron Ore Karnataka Division for this recognition in the field of environment management. Adopting most sustainable practices and responsible stewardship are extremely crucial in order to create the win-win situation wherein industrial growth and environment conservation goes hand in hand. Vedanta and other mining and metal companies have introduced several innovative environment management measures which are extremely crucial and helping to ensure the sustainable extraction of natural resources including complete focus on biodiversity conservation."

Mr. Krishna Reddy, Director, Vedanta Iron Ore Karnataka Business said " We are fully committed towards adopting best in class sustainable practices because we believe that the Sustainability and stakeholder engagement is at the core of our success and will further drive our journey towards excellence. Our focus is to invest more and more in research & technology based innovations to achieve sustainable growth"

Vedanta Iron ore Karnataka has ensured various environment protective measures not only within operational areas but also among the peripheral villages which includes plantation drives, development of green belt areas, Promotion of Agriculture, awareness programs on Environment conservation etc.

About Vedanta Cares

Vedanta is committed to reinvest in the social good of its neighbourhood communities and the nation. The Group's flagship CSR project, Nand Ghar, is a network of model anganwadis where the thrust is on inclusive development of women and children at the grassroots level. The Group CSR initiative comprises of seven key verticals – Education, Healthcare, Water and Sanitation, Sustainable Livelihood, Skilling, Sports & Culture and Employee Volunteering. Vedanta Foundation, a philanthropic initiative of Vedanta Group is focused on skill development and vocational training programmes for the underprivileged to make them employable. A key healthcare speciality CSR project is the Balco Medical Center, a 200-bed state-of-the-art Cancer care hospital located in New Raipur, Chhattisgarh. The company supports grassroots level sports through their Football academies in Goa and Udaipur.

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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