

Press Release

Goa CM commends Vedanta VAB's 'Swasthya Jagruti' initiative; the community health care project has benefitted over 2000+ individuals till now

 Two health camps were organized under the 'Swasthya Jagruti' initiative at Amona and Fanaswadi (Navelim) villages.

Amona, 24th November: Honourable Chief Minister of Goa, Dr. Pramod Sawant inaugurated a health check-up camp at Fanaswadi -Navelim under Vedanta Value Added Business's (VAB) 'Swasthya Jagruti' program. The camp which was organised by Vedanta's VAB in association with NGO Sevamob provided general health check-ups along with specialized dental, vision, cardiovascular, haemoglobin, and dermatological check-up facilities for the villagers. A similar health camp was held at Amona and overall, these two camps at Amona & Navelim villages benefitted 150 people. 'Swasthya Jagruti' is a unique CSR initiative of Vedanta's VAB, which started in 2021 with the aim to promote health awareness among the community and to facilitate early screening, and diagnosis & treatment of illnesses at initial stages.

Under 'Swasthya Jagruti' program, Vedanta has organised several such health camps at various locations, which have benefitted more than 2000 people till now. The health camp initiative at Amona & Navelim has been highly appreciated by beneficiaries from both villages and by village panchayat members.

Speaking on the occasion, **Hon'ble Goa CM Dr. Pramod Sawant** said, "Vedanta has been playing an important role towards spreading health awareness through such health camps. I urge all the community members for maximum participation in such camps as it is an opportunity to seek free health screening and guidance from the doctors. These health camps are essential to identify the risk of any ailment."

Sujal Shah, CEO- Value Added Products, Vedanta Limited said, "Our initiative Swasthya Jagruti is instrumental in spreading health awareness among the communities with the aim of making health facilities easily accessible to all. I am glad that we are able to make a positive impact on the lives of over 2000 people across our areas of operation. We will continue to expand the community outreach further through healthcare interventions such as specialised health camps, community medical centres, mobile health units etc."

Saptesh Sardesai, CEO - Value Added Business, Vedanta Limited said, "At Vedanta's VAB, our constant endeavour is to ensure good health and well-being of the communities from the periphery. With these specialised health camps, we aim to further take forward our zeal towards building a healthy & fit community. Kudos to my entire team for this unique CSR intervention and we will continue to strive to engage & positively impact our communities through structured CSR programs."



Vedanta's Value-Added Business has been taking numerous health-oriented initiatives for the betterment of the communities around. Along with running community medical centres, mobile health units, conducting health camps, the company is also providing nutritional support to TB patients under 'Pradhan Mantri TB Mukt Bharat Abhiyan'. Vedanta VAB also provided ambulance to Sankhali Municipal Council and played a key role in supporting the community through Covid-19 relief initiatives.

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