

Press Release

Vedanta Iron Ore Karnataka wins big at Mines Safety Week Celebration

- *Vedanta Iron Ore Karnataka (A. Narrain Mines) won the top awards in categories like occupational health and welfare amenities, drilling & blasting and swachh Bharat activities.*
- *Vedanta Iron Ore Karnataka (IOK) secured runners up position for overall safety performance at the felicitation ceremony organized by Mines Safety Association Karnataka in collaboration with DGMS - Bangalore region*

Karnataka, 23rd March 2022: Vedanta Iron Ore Karnataka's robust safety management practices were recognized during the recently held 'Zonal Level Final Day Function of Mines Safety Observance and Safe Usage of Explosives Awareness Week' organised by Mines Safety Association of Karnataka in collaboration with Directorate General of Mines Safety (DGMS) - Bangalore region. Vedanta's IOK won multiple awards in A Category Mines, including the top honours for occupational health and welfare amenities, drilling & blasting and contribution towards Swachh Bharat mission during the awards ceremony at Sindhura Convention Hall, Devanahalli – Bangalore on 20th March'22. Vedanta's IOK also secured Runners-up position for overall performance in Mines Safety.

The event was attended by Shri Malay Tikadar, Dy Director General of Mines Safety, Southern Region as the Chief Guest while Shri Dhananjaya G. Reddy, Hon. Secretary, MSAK & Sr. G. M, M/s. R. Praveen were the Guests of Honor. Other dignitaries present at the event also included Shri Muralidhar Bidari, Director of Mines Safety, Bengaluru Region, Shri M.A. Mohammed Amanullah, President, MSAK-ZONE III & Mine Owner of M/s. Mabcons and Dr. Meda Venkataiah, Chairman, MSAK & Executive Director, M/s. MSPL Limited.

Mr. Murlidhar Bidari, Director of Mines Safety, Bengaluru Region said, *"Events like these are very important as they not only let us understand how far we have come in our progress but also of how far we still need to go, especially by honoring women empowerment in mines. Here, we see industry leaders and some of the most important areas in mining that would help us share our future. I would like to congratulate Vedanta and wish the company all the success in the future as well."*

Mr. Sauvick Mazumdar, CEO, Iron & Steel Sector, Vedanta Limited said, *"Safety and sustainability has always been at the core of our business philosophy and our constant endeavour is to continuously improve & further ramp up our safety practices to achieve our topmost goal of 'Zero Harm & Zero discharge'. I congratulate Iron Ore Karnataka team on these prestigious recognitions which are testimonies of our robust safety practices"*

Mr. Sujal Shah, Dy.CEO, Sesa Goa Iron Ore Business, Vedanta Limited appreciated Iron Ore Karnataka team and Said *"At Vedanta we are committed to adopt best in class internationally recognised standards on health and safety to create a zero-harm environment for all our stakeholders. These esteemed awards in the field of mine safety to our Iron Ore Karnataka division are the great motivators to further strengthen our safety & sustainability practices to set new benchmarks for the industry. I thank Mines Safety Association of Karnataka and Directorate General of Mines Safety - Bangalore region for organizing this event."*

Mr. Krishna Reddy, Director, Vedanta Iron Ore Karnataka said, *"We are extremely pleased to receive these prestigious recognitions for our robust safety practices. At Iron Ore Karnataka our utmost focus is on adoption of best-in-class safety and sustainability standards in order to achieve our larger goal of Zero Harm, Zero Waste & zero discharge."*

Vedanta's Iron Ore Karnataka have adopted best Safety and Health practices at Mines and in the periphery of operations. Company continuously arranges safety awareness sessions not only for the employees & Business partners but also for the communities around.

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