

Press Release

Vedanta VAB organises capacity building workshop for teachers, encourages them to adopt new-age teaching methodology

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- Vedanta's thoughtful initiative in collaboration with the state Education Department is well appreciated by school management, PTA members and students.

Amona, Goa, June 16, 2022: Vedanta's Valued Added Business (VAB) partnered with the Directorate of Education, Goa to organize a day-long capacity building workshop for teachers. The workshop was aimed at promoting a behavioural change among teachers and encouraging them to adopt new-age teaching methodology. It was organized at the Government High School, Amona, and was inaugurated by Shri Shailesh Zingade, Director of Education, Goa, in the distinguished presence of Shri Saptesh Sardesai, CEO, VAB, Vedanta Limited, along with the members of the school management.

The workshop was attended by 60+ teachers from seven high schools across Goa and was conducted by experienced resource persons like Mr. Pravin Sabnis and Mr. Sudan M Goankar. The participants were encouraged to adopt new-age teaching methodology by using latest technology to engage students. They were also introduced to innovative ways of imparting learning. The workshop comprised of sessions on topics like 'How to Make Teaching Exciting', 'Usage of Modern Teaching Methodology' and 'Overcoming Procrastination'.

Shri. Shailesh Zingade, Director of Education, Goa, stressed on the importance of training teachers. "The National Education Policy 2020 highlights the need to build the capacity of teachers and empower them. This workshop being conducted at the starting of the academic session will have a great impact. I am thankful to Vedanta Limited for such a thoughtful initiative. This workshop is a classic example of how corporates like Vedanta are actively supporting the community. Now it is up to us to effectively utilise the available resources."

Mr. Ulhas Goankar, Headmaster at **Govt. High School, Amona,** said, "It is very important to have a strong support to successfully translate such ideas into action. With the help of Vedanta, we have been able to organize this workshop. Vedanta has been proactively supporting us for all-round development of the community by building infrastructure, supporting children & teachers, and contributing towards strengthening the educational ecosystem."

Mr. Sujal Shah, CEO, Iron Ore Business, Vedanta Limited, said, "At Vedanta, Education is one of the major thrust areas of our CSR initiatives because we strongly believe that quality education is vital for holistic community development. Teachers play the most significant role in the education process and lays foundation for progress of children, at early stages of learning. I am sure this capacity building workshop will further help teachers to hone up their skills and will encourage them to adopt most advanced & technology-based teaching techniques. We are thankful to Directorate of education for partnering with us for this unique initiative"



Mr. Saptesh Sardesai, CEO- VAB, Vedanta Limited, said "The capacity building workshop is an extension of our efforts towards enhancing the education standards within the community. Education is one of the key focus areas of our CSR interventions. We are looking forward to more such constructive partnership with the state Education Department."

Vedanta's Value-Added Business has been contributing towards towards upliftment of education through various impactful initiatives, such Utkarsh scholarship, upgradation of infrastructure of schools & Anganwadies, Awareness sessions on various topics for the students etc.

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