

Press release

Vedanta Sesa Goa celebrates the 52nd National Safety Week to reaffirm its mission of "zero harm"

- *Vedanta Sesa Goa's Value-Added Business celebrated the 52nd National Safety Week through a week-long awareness drive in line with the theme 'Our Aim—Zero Harm'.*
- *Safety Week celebration was inaugurated by Mr. Nandan Sawaikar, Inspector of Factories and Boilers, Govt. of Goa.*

Goa, 16th March 2023: Vedanta Sesa Goa's Value-Added Business (VAB) celebrated the 52nd National Safety Week by organizing several safety awareness programs for employees, business partners, and the communities around. Nandan Sawaikar, Inspector of Factories and Boilers, Govt. of Goa, inaugurated the week-long safety awareness drive at Value Added Business in the presence of senior officials of Vedanta: Mr. Saptesh Sardesai, CEO VAB, Vedanta; Mr. Sanjyot Borkar, Director, Met Coke Division, VAB, Vedanta; Mr. Soham Mukherjee, Head HSE, VAB, Vedanta; and Mr. Anant Gawas, Sesa Goa Workers Union Representative; along with VAB staff & Business partners. In line with this year's theme, "Our Aim-Zero Harm," a week-long awareness drive included various activities such as the safety pledge, awareness sessions and talks, safety awareness rallies, and engaging competitions based on various aspects of safety, reaching out to over 1500 people. The Vedanta VAB team also held sessions on road safety at Khandola College.

Appreciating VAB's constant commitment to building a safer culture, **Mr. Nandan Sawaikar, Inspector of Factories and Boilers, Govt. of Goa,** said, "I appreciate the endeavors taken up by Value Added Business to educate its employees about the importance of safety and encourage them to adopt best practices in order to have a sustainably safe working environment at their facility. Focus on safety should be an integral part of our daily lives, and it is imperative to remind everyone that safety should never take a backseat to productivity and convenience."

On the occasion, **Mr. Navin Jaju, CEO of Sesa Goa, Vedanta Limited,** shared, "This year's theme, "Our Aim-Zero Harm," aligns completely with Vedanta's core motto of 'Zero Harm' and couldn't resonate more so. Our commitment is reflected in the safety culture inculcated within our organization, which empowers every individual to take complete responsibility of his/her own safety and of others around. On this special occasion of 'National Safety Week,' I urge each one of you to reunite and reinforce our passionate efforts to strengthen our safety culture and set global industry benchmarks with our best-in-class safety standards."

Speaking about VAB's safety initiatives, **Mr. Saptesh Sardesai, CEO- VAB** quoted, "At Vedanta VAB, safety is at the core of our business philosophy as our day begins with Safety pledge. We are constantly working towards strengthening our safety framework to set new industry benchmarks through innovation, robust safety audits and mock drills, Critical Risk Management, and through the grid owner concept at our workplace. Company is currently investing heavily in digital interventions with artificial intelligence (AI tools), only to reduce man-machine interaction & create a safe workplace. We are fully committed to upholding the highest safety standards at our workplace and extending this culture of safety and care to our community as well."

Vedanta Sesa Goa is working extensively towards creating a safer workplace and community by constantly assessing and augmenting its safety management system with cutting-edge technologies, robust processes, and an unrelenting focus on ensuring behavior-based safety. Starting from a safety standdown wherein leadership teams engage with employees and business partners on a safety-first culture to regular mock drills and safety awareness sessions, Sesa Goa keeps safety as the top priority.

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