

## Press Release

### **VEDANTA SESA GOA'S SUPPORT AIDS ANANTHA KRISHNAN PILLAI TO SHINE AT 54th STATE ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIP**

- Anantha is employed by Sesa Goa through its Business Partner.
- The company supported Anantha with the required fitness supplements, flexible working hours and other needs at its head office in Panjim.
- Anantha secured two gold and one silver medal at the state championship.

**Goa, March 9th, 2023:** As part of its commitment to promoting sports development in the country, Vedanta Sesa Goa extended support to Mr. Anantha Krishnan Pillai in his training for long jump, running, and relay events. Mr. Anantha works at Sesa Goa Head Office at Panjim, Goa and the company provided him with flexible working hours to accommodate his training schedule and also provided him with the nutritional supplements free of charge. Mr. Anantha's dedication and hard work paid off when he won two gold medals and one silver medal in the recently held 54th Goa State Athletics Championship for the 4x100 relay, long jump and 100 M running events, respectively. The senior management of Vedanta Sesa Goa, including Mr. Navin Jaju, CEO- Sesa Goa, Ms. Richa Dubey, CHRO -Sesa Goa along with the senior leadership team felicitated him on his outstanding achievement and encouraged him to aim higher and represent India at international sports platforms while assuring him of Company's continued support in his sporting journey.

Speaking at the felicitation ceremony, **Mr. Navin Jaju, CEO- Sesa Goa, Vedanta Limited** said, "Winning the State Athletic Championship is a remarkable achievement and a testament to Anantha's talent, hard work and determination. As a company, we are committed to transforming sports across the country through our robust sports development programs at the grassroot level and Anantha's success is a shining example of what can be achieved when we all work together towards a common goal. This is just the beginning of his journey, and I am eager to see him shine at the national and international platforms. Congratulations to Anantha on this well-deserved victory and making us all proud!"

**Ms. Richa Dubey, CHRO-Sesa Goa, Vedanta Limited** applauded Anantha for his achievements and said, "We are incredibly proud of Anantha's achievement in winning the State Athletic Championship and are committed to support him to achieve greater accomplishments on bigger platforms by providing him with the necessary resources, flexibility and other support that needs. It's not only about work-life balance but about being there for each other and encouraging special talents like Anantha to follow their passion besides work efficiency. We are privileged to have such an exceptional team member representing Sesa Goa's values and best practices, both on and off the field. I wish him all the very best!"

**Mr. Ananthkrishnan Pillai** expressed his gratitude towards the support provided by Vedanta Sesa Goa and said, " I thank the management of Vedanta Sesa Goa, which has been an integral part of my journey to becoming a State Champion. Their constant support and willingness to go above and beyond for me has been truly invaluable and helped me a lot to prepare myself for the competition during my training stint. I am aiming for a national championship and aspire to represent India in the Olympics."

Vedanta Sesa Goa has implemented numerous sports development initiatives such as- Sesa Football Academy, which has groomed over 200+ professional footballers, Vedanta Women's League, which has

provided a footballing platform to over 300+ aspiring women footballers, and many other grassroots level sports development initiatives.

### **About Vedanta Limited**

Vedanta Limited, a subsidiary of Vedanta Resources Limited, is one of the world's leading Oil & Gas and Metals company with significant operations in Oil & Gas, Zinc, Lead, Silver, Copper, Iron Ore, Steel, and Aluminium & Power across India, South Africa and Namibia. For two decades, Vedanta has been contributing significantly to nation building. Governance and sustainable development are at the core of Vedanta's strategy, with a strong focus on health, safety, and environment. Vedanta has put in place a comprehensive framework to be the ESG leader in the natural resources sector. Vedanta is committed to reducing carbon emissions to zero by 2050 or sooner and has pledged \$5 billion over the next 10 years to accelerate the transition to net zero operations. Giving back is in the DNA of Vedanta, which is focused on enhancing the lives of local communities. The company's flagship social impact program, Nand Ghars, have been set up as model anganwadis focused on eradicating child malnutrition, providing education, healthcare, and empowering women with skill development. Under the aegis of the Anil Agarwal Foundation, the umbrella entity for Vedanta's social initiatives, the Vedanta group has pledged Rs 5000 crore over the next five years on social impact programmes with a thrust on nutrition, women & child development, healthcare, animal welfare, and grass-root level sports. Vedanta and the group companies company have been featured in Dow Jones Sustainability Index 2020, and was conferred Frost & Sullivan Sustainability Awards 2020, CII Environmental Best Practices Award 2020, CSR Health Impact Award 2020, CII National Award 2020 for Excellence in Water Management, CII Digital Transformation Award 2020, ICSI National Award 2020 for excellence in Corporate Governance, People First HR Excellence Award 2020, 'Company with Great Managers 2020' by People Business and certified as a Great Place to Work 2021. Vedanta's flagship Nand Ghar Project was identified as best CSR project by Government of Rajasthan. Vedanta Limited is listed on the Bombay Stock Exchange and the National Stock Exchange. For more information, please visit [www.vedantalimited.com](http://www.vedantalimited.com)

### **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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