
PRESS RELEASE

Vedanta Kicks off 'Swachhta Pakhwada' at Goa

Panaji, December 16th, 2017: Under the aegis of the Ministry of Mines and Indian Bureau of Mines, Vedanta Sesa Goa Iron Ore today kicked off the 15 day long 'Swachhta Pakhwada' program at its Bicholim mines. The program aligned to the 'Swachh Bharat' Mission will be observed from 16th to 31st December, 2017. The agenda is to bring a cleaner and healthier environment in mining areas and raise awareness about the same. One of the key activities of the Mission is to make our inhabitations open defecation free.

The program was launched by dignitaries Mr. Prasanna Acharya, Director of Mines and Geology and Dr. Y. G. Kale, Regional Controller of Mines. Speaking on the occasion Mr. Prasanna Acharya and Mr Dr. Y. G. Kale stressed on the importance of cleanliness and how they have planned to raise awareness on the same by educating the high school girls. Mr. Prasanna further requested the mining companies to adopt one village per Taluka and make it open defecation free by 31st March, 2018. Mr. Rajaram Gaonkar lauded the efforts of Vedanta for bringing about social improvement in the society and appreciated the support the company has provided to the communities around.

Also present on the occasion were Mr. Parag Ragnekar, Program Manager, Mineral Foundation of Goa, Mr. Glenn Kalvamppara, Secretary of GMOEA Mr. Vijay Kumar, Head - Iron Ore, Goa government representatives and company officials.

The day started with activities centred around cleanliness drives, tree plantation and distribution of dustbins. Thereafter, the dignitaries visited the household in Mayem village where mineral Foundation of Goa has constructed toilets for the houses.

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1. **Photo Caption – Officials at Vedanta’s Bicholim Mine Launch ‘Swachhta Pakhwada’**

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