

**Press Release:**

## **Vedanta organizes bike rally in Lanjigarh to spread awareness on Road Safety**

**Lanjigarh, Kalahandi District, Odisha; -- February 2021:** Vedanta Limited, Lanjigarh, India's premier producer of metallurgical grade alumina, organized a bike rally on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2021, as part of the Road Safety Month observation, to sensitize the people about the road safety standards and regulations. Around 50 employees of Vedanta participated in the rally. The rally was conducted adhering to all the road safety norms and COVID restrictions.

**Talking about the successful organization of the rally, Mr. Rakesh Mohan, Chief Operating Officer, Vedanta Limited, Lanjigarh unit** said, "Safety is one of the key priorities of all the operations at Vedanta Lanjigarh. Within our plant premises and township, adherence to road safety is being taken very seriously and all the employees are encouraged to comply with the safety standards. The bike rally organized as part of the Road Safety Month is yet another example the unit's responsibility towards sensitizing the employees and the locals about the importance of road safety standards."

Prior to the rally, Mr. Harshvardhan Pande, Head-HSE, Vedanta limited, Lanjigarh, motivated and instructed the riders and the pillions on responsible riding. He, along with Col. K.J.K. Choudhary, Chief Security Officer-Vedanta Limited, Lanjigarh flagged off the rally. The rally got started from the Material Gate of the unit and was culminated at the Plant Main Gate. The riders also took a road safety oath. During the rally, the participants sensitized the onlookers through public announcement system and placards with messages on road safety.

**Appreciating the initiative, Mr. Satyananda Patra, Inspector In-charge (IIC), Lanjigarh** said: "Vedanta has always demonstrated its responsibility towards the safety of its employees and the community. The rally organized by Vedanta was an effective means to educate and sensitize the locals about the crucial importance of road safety."

As part of the Road Safety Month, Vedanta has organized multiple activities including slogan writing competition, poster making competition, spot quizzes on road safety and workshops among its employees.

Vedanta Lanjigarh not only believes in the ethos of 'zero harm, zero waste and zero discharge' but also practices it in letter and spirit. Regular safety interactions, trainings, awareness campaigns and emergency preparedness are integral to the unit's operations. Towards ensuring a safe and healthy environment, Vedanta Lanjigarh has robust air quality management, solid waste management, hazardous waste management and water and wastewater management systems in place. The plant is the lowest Green House Gas emitting plant, among similar coal-fired alumina refineries in the world. In the field of occupational health, the company accords significant importance to regular health check-ups and preventive measures to safeguard its employees against potential health hazards.

Vedanta is the largest producer of aluminium in India and remains the premier manufacturer of metallurgical grade alumina. The company operates a 2 MTPA (million tonnes per annum)



capacity alumina refinery in Lanjigarh (Kalahandi district, Odisha), India since 2007 and an associated 90 MW captive power plant.

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