

**Press Release**

**Sesa Sterlite receives the Community Development Award at the Asian CSR Leadership Awards**

**This award encourages and celebrates responsible business movements across the globe.**

**Mumbai, India: 6<sup>th</sup> October, 2014:** Sesa Sterlite Limited, one of the world's largest global diversified natural resources company, with operations across zinc, lead, silver, oil & gas, iron ore, copper, aluminium and commercial power has won the award in the Community Development category of the Asian CSR Leadership Awards. The Award was presented recently at the Taj Palace in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

Sesa Sterlite Limited is a subsidiary of Vedanta Resources Plc, and the Vedanta group has globally benefited 4.1 million people in FY 2014 through their community development initiatives. Winning the award for community development recognizes the efforts of the Vedanta group to achieve holistic development of the societies in which they operate.

“Our aim is to create opportunities and partnerships across communities to positively impact the Millennium Development Goals. We are committed towards implementing community development programmes that provide livelihood and empower our societies, and our pledge is to positively impact many more lives,” said Ms. Roma Balwani, President, Sustainability and CSR, Vedanta Group.

The Asian CSR Leadership Awards is supported by state institutions, World CSR Day and World Federation of CSR professionals which aim to raise awareness on Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), its value for businesses, and to accelerate enterprises to embed principles of businesses into their operations.

Sesa Sterlite, along with its group companies has invested, in India, approximately Rs. 300 crores in FY 2014 for building hospitals, schools and infrastructure and providing employment and community programs which improve health, education and livelihood of over 3.4 million people. The company has benefited over 1.59 million people through Healthcare and Sanitation programmes, over 1 million people from Child welfare and Educational initiatives, over 0.39 million people through Women Empowerment, Skill development and Entrepreneurship programmes and 0.55 million people from Community Asset Creation and Integrated Village Development programmes.

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## **About Sesa Sterlite Limited (SSL)**

Sesa Sterlite Limited (Formerly known as Sesa Goa Limited) is one of the world's largest diversified natural resources company, whose business primarily involves exploring and processing minerals and oil & gas. SSL produces oil & gas, zinc, lead, silver, copper, iron ore, aluminium and commercial power and has a presence across India, South Africa, Namibia, Ireland, Australia, Liberia and Sri Lanka. Sustainability is at the core of SSL's strategy, with a strong focus on health, safety and environment and on enhancing the lives of local communities.

SSL is a subsidiary of Vedanta Resources Plc, a London-listed company. SSL is listed on the Bombay Stock Exchange and the National Stock Exchange in India and has ADRs listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

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