

Vedanta Aluminium partners with NDRF for emergency response mock drill at Jharsuguda

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VEDANTA Aluminium, India's largest producer of aluminium, conducted a Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear (CBRN) mock drill at its Jharsuguda plant in collaboration with the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF). The drill aimed to assess and strengthen emergency response mechanisms at the world's largest aluminium plant.

The simulated scenario involved a mock fire at one of the operational units, with teams from Vedanta, NDRF, local fire services, and district administration working

together to contain the situation. The drill included evacuation exercises, first-aid response, and rescue operations, ensuring that each team understood its role in a real emergency.

This exercise is part of Vedanta Aluminium's ongoing efforts to enhance safety, particularly in handling industrial emergencies such as fires, chemical leaks, and uncontrolled emissions. The drill evaluated real-time coordination, communication efficiency, and the readiness of both Vedanta's emergency response teams and local authorities.

Officials such as Archana Das, Assistant Director of Factories and Boilers; Mrityunjay Sabar, Assistant Collector and District Emergency



Officer; and Tirthabasi Sahoo, Commandant of NDRF, commended Vedanta's commitment to safety and preparedness. They lauded the company's proactive approach in ensuring the safety of its workforce and the surrounding community.

Speaking on the occasion, C Chandru, CEO, Vedanta Jharsuguda said, "At Vedanta Aluminium, safety is not just a priority

but a core value that defines how we operate. This joint drill with NDRF has provided valuable insights into strengthening our preparedness for any unforeseen situations. Through such collaborations, we continue to reinforce our safety culture and ensure a zero-harm environment for our workforce and the community around us."

Lauding the compa-

ny's efforts, Tirthabasi Sahoo, Commandant, National Disaster Response Force, said, "The collaboration with Vedanta Aluminium highlights how industries and emergency response forces can work together to ensure operational resilience. The company's commitment to regular mock drills and proactive safety measures reflects its strong focus on preparedness and community safety, a hallmark of responsible business practices."

Vedanta Aluminium remains dedicated to achieving world-class standards in occupational health and safety through continuous training, mock drills, and partnerships with national safety agencies.