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Vedanta Aluminium supports 7th State Yogasana Championship in Rayagada, promoting wellness among Odisha's youth

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REINFORCING its commitment towards holistic community well-being and youth development, Vedanta Aluminium, India's largest aluminium producer, supported the 7th State Yogasana Championship 2026, organised by the Yogasana Sports Association of Odisha (YSAO) at the Biju Patnaik Indoor Stadium, Rayagada, from May 21 to 26, 2026.

The championship brought together nearly 350 athletes from across Odisha, competing across junior, senior and veteran categories in a diverse range of Yogasana disciplines including traditional, artistic and rhythmic performances, along with specialised balance and flexibility events. The event celebrated physical fitness, discipline and holistic well-being while providing a platform for athletes to showcase their talent and dedica-



tion.

Several eminent dignitaries attended the championship including Nabin Chandra Naik, Additional District Magistrate (ADM), Rayagada, and Appal Swami Kadraka, MLA, Rayagada. Yella Venkata Raman, PATIDA Rayagada; Bhajan Lal Majhi, District Education Officer; CA Dibakara Harichandan, State President, YSAO; Manoj Kumar Mukharji, General Secretary, YSAO; Prof. Dr. Dushman Kumar Mohanty; Dr. Alok Kumar Swain, Competition Director; and Nrusingha Kumar Bahinipati,

President, YSAR were among the other important persons attending the programme.

Speaking on the occasion, General Secretary of Yogasana Sports Association of Odisha, Manoj Kumar Mukharjee said, "We appreciate Vedanta Aluminium's support towards initiatives that promote wellness, sports and community engagement across Odisha. Yoga is deeply rooted in India's cultural heritage, and such platforms play an important role in inspiring healthier lifestyles, encouraging discipline, confidence and overall

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* Nearly 350 athletes from across Odisha participated in multiple Yogasana disciplines and competitive categories

* Initiative reflects Vedanta Aluminium's continued commitment towards wellness, youth development and promotion of India's traditional sporting heritage

well-being among youth."

Vedanta Aluminium actively supports initiatives across sports, wellness, education and culture as part of its larger commitment to community development in Odisha, and has successfully produced national-level archery champions through its Sports Training Initiative in Kalahandi. The company's support to the State Yogasana Championship also aligns with the spirit of the upcoming International Day of Yoga, encouraging greater

awareness around physical and mental well-being through traditional practices.

Through its community development initiatives, Vedanta Aluminium continues to drive impactful interventions across Odisha in the areas of education, healthcare, sustainable livelihoods, women empowerment, sports promotion and rural infrastructure development, contributing towards inclusive and long-term socio-economic growth within the state.