

Driving India's Critical Minerals Atmanirbharta: Vedanta Celebrates Make in India Milestone

- On 'Make in India's' 11th anniversary, Vedanta doubles down on mineral security, energy independence, and domestic value creation with a vision rooted in 'Desh ki Zaroorat ke Liye.'

New Delhi, 24 September 2025: Ahead of *Make In India's* 11th anniversary, Vedanta Limited (NSE: VEDL), India's leading critical minerals, energy transition metals, energy, and technology conglomerate, reaffirmed its commitment to driving resource self-reliance and building a robust, resilient industrial ecosystem for the nation.

Responding to Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's call for *Atmanirbhar Bharat*, Vedanta has strategically aligned its investments to strengthen domestic capacity across critical natural resources — positioning India to reduce its dependence on imports and secure its future as a global manufacturing and energy powerhouse.

Energy and mineral security are driving today's geopolitics. In most countries, energy independence and critical and transition minerals are now a subject of national security. The need for domestic resource security has never been more urgent. Over 50% of India's import bill comprises natural resources which are abundantly available but under-explored in the country.

Most of the unexplored natural resources are in under-developed or remote areas with limited avenues for economic growth. Sustainable development of these mineral resources can bring such underserved areas into the socio-economic mainstream of the country. The company operates large manufacturing assets in remote areas which in turn have a cascading effect and trigger economic opportunities in the host communities by generating.

"At a time when the world economic growth faces multiple challenges, self-sufficiency in key natural resources becomes critical. The company has emerged as a leading contributor to domestic production across crude oil and natural gas, zinc, silver, aluminium, nickel, and is investing heavily in the development of future-facing minerals essential to clean energy, mobility, defence, and digital infrastructure.

Vedanta Group is taking decisive steps to reduce the country's reliance on imports and advance the national agenda of *Atmanirbhar Bharat*. Vedanta's vision of producing for *Desh ki Zaroorat ke Liye* (for the needs of the country) reflects the broader call for economic sovereignty by leveraging its abundant mineral wealth for sustainable, inclusive and globally competitive growth.

Vedanta is uniquely positioned to address this challenge, with integrated operations across energy transition metals, oil & gas, critical minerals, and renewables and tech. The company is leveraging its scale, technical expertise, and is innovating to enhance domestic production capacity and secure strategic resources critical to India's economic growth.

Vedanta is the sole producer of silver, lead, zinc and nickel in India, as well as the largest private crude oil producer in the country, contributing significantly to domestic supply. The company operates some of the world's largest and most strategic natural resource assets in the country, including the world's largest single-location aluminium smelter in Odisha, the world's largest underground zinc mining site, the world's largest single-location zinc-lead smelter, and India's largest onshore oil field – all in Rajasthan.

Vedanta is investing heavily in domestic production of energy transition metals like zinc, silver, aluminium, copper, which are crucial to applications in infrastructure, defence, aerospace, automotive, hi-tech manufacturing, technology and clean energy.

Through Cairn Oil & Gas, Vedanta aims to double domestic crude oil production, helping reduce the country's massive oil import bill. The aluminium business caters to nearly half of India's total demand and Vedanta is expanding its value-added product portfolio to serve high-end applications in renewable energy, automotive, aerospace and other high-growth sectors.

In zinc, Vedanta holds a 77% market share in the domestic primary market including Galvanisation, increasing the resilience of steel structures. The company meets around 10% of India's silver demand with 100% of the sales within the country. The oil and gas operations produce roughly a quarter of the nation's hydrocarbons and has produced approximately 1.4 billion barrels of oil equivalent since inception. The company's steel production caters entirely to the domestic market. Vedanta is the sole producer of nickel in India and 80% of the metal is sold in the domestic market.

In recent auctions, Vedanta and its subsidiaries have acquired rights to explore and develop mineral blocks rich in copper, graphite, nickel, chromium, tungsten, vanadium, manganese, PGEs (Platinum Group Elements), cobalt, and gold. The company continues to actively bid in new exploration rounds and partner with global technology leaders to unlock India's untapped resource potential.

Vedanta is also strengthening its ESG credentials with a net-zero commitment by 2050, major community investments, and sustainable mining practices. Its philosophy continues to guide every project and partnership. From powering homes to building the metals that enable clean mobility, Vedanta is a key pillar of India's resource independence — and a committed partner in nation-building.

About Vedanta Limited

Vedanta Group is a global leader in critical minerals, transition metals, energy, and technology, with operations spanning India, South Africa, Namibia, Liberia, UAE, Saudi Arabia, Korea, Taiwan, and Japan. As the world's largest integrated producer of zinc, the fourth-largest global producer of silver, and one of the top producers of aluminium globally, Vedanta plays a pivotal role in the global supply of essential materials for the energy transition. The Company is also India's only private oil and gas producer and one of the largest private power producers. A global ESG champion, Vedanta is committed to achieving net-zero emissions by 2050 or sooner. Through its transformative social impact initiatives, the company has improved the lives of millions of people in underserved regions. For more information, please visit www.vedantalimited.com

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