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PRESIDENT CYRIL RAMAPHOSA OFFICIALLY OPENED GAMSBERG ON 28 FEBRUARY.

Hosted by Anil Agarwal, Vedanta Chairman, Srinivasan Venkatakrishnan, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Vedanta, and Deshnee Naidoo, CEO of Vedanta Zinc International (VZI), President Ramaphosa was joined by Gwede Mantashe, Minister of Mineral Resources, and Sylvia Lucas, Premier of the Northern Cape.

VZI – headquartered in Johannesburg, South Africa – is a grouping of zinc assets located in South Africa, Namibia and Ireland, owned by India-based Vedanta, a listed subsidiary of Vedanta Resources.



President Cyril Ramaphosa, Anil Agarwal (Vedanta Chairman), Srinivasan Venkatakrishnan (CEO of Vedanta), Deshnee Naidoo (CEO of VZI), Gwede Mantashe (Minister of Mineral Resources) and Sylvia Lucas (Premier of the Northern Cape) were at the ribbon-cutting ceremony when Gamsberg opened in February.

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TEACHING TEACHERS

Teachers in the Khai-Ma region, under pressure to teach learners entrepreneurial skills in addition to the usual lessons, attended workshops organised by the Black Mountain Complex on 18 January.

Dr Christa Boshoff, a psychologist, gave principals and teachers of Höerskool Aggeneys, Laerskool Aggeneys, Aggeneys International Academy, Höerskool Boesmanland, Laerskool Francois Visser, Pella Intermediëreskool and St Philomina Intermediëreskool lessons in emotional intelligence, stress management and conflict resolution through, among others, exercise, diet, relaxation and humour.

Three teacher clinics were also facilitated by Marietjie Freislich (a teacher at Knysna High School) and Elisabeth Lourens (a substitute teacher at various schools) to encourage teachers to teach more effectively by using computers in classes.



Teachers received valuable lessons in workshops, organised by Black Mountain Complex, at various venues in Khai-Ma.

ONDERWYS VIR ONDERWYSERS

Onderwysers in Khai-Ma – onder druk om hul onderrigvaardighede te verbeter sodat leerders entrepreneurskap, bo en behalwe ander lesse, kan leer – het op 18 Januarie werksinkels bygewoon.

Georganiseer deur die Black Mountain Complex, die werksinkels het lesse van Dr Christa Boshoff, 'n sielkundige, ingesluit. Hoofde en onderwysers van Höerskool Aggeneys, Laerskool Aggeneys, Aggeneys International Academy, Höerskool Boesmanland, Laerskool Francois Visser, Pella Intermediëreskool en St Philomina Intermediëreskool het geleer van emosionele intelligensie, stresbestuur en konfliktoplossing deur, onder andere, oefening, dieet, ontspanning en humor.

Drie onderwyserklinieke is ook gefasiliteer deur Marietjie Freislich ('n Hoërskool Knysna onderwyseres) en Elisabeth Lourens ('n plaasvervangende onderwyseres by verskeie skole) om onderwysers aan te moedig om rekenaars in hul klasse te gebruik.

WOMEN IN MINING

The Black Mountain Complex (BMC) Women in Mining (WIM) project was launched at the North Rec Club on 14 March.

The project will help women work successfully, taking special care of their health and safety.

A WIM Committee has been formed to keep the project running smoothly. Committee members include the top four representatives of various sections of BMC:

- Lebo Phakedi (Chairperson)
- Sheeny Mnisi (Deputy Chairperson)
- Olivia Maasdorp (Secretary)
- Jacinta Jaar (Deputy Secretary)
- Lerato Mogola (Communications)
- Bianca Wessels (Service Area Representative)
- Abygail April (Service Area Representative)
- Amelia Cloete (Deeps Mining Representative)
- Hannelie Simboya (Engineering Representative)
- Agnes Markus (Plant Representative)
- Liza Seepamere (Company Business Partners Representative)
- Melissa Carroll (Gamsberg Mining Representative)



The Black Mountain Complex has formed a Women in Mining Committee.



Olivia Maasdorp, WIM Committee Secretary and BMC's first winding engine driver, spoke to Klipspringer about the project.

What is the vision of the WIM project?

"BMC wants women to know that they are supported by the company and the Mine Health and Safety Council (MHSC). The committee will inform women about the WIM project, and increase their awareness of the health and safety of women in the workplace."

Why and how did the project begin?

"The MHSC has noticed that more women are involved in mining but the environment is not always suitable for them. Mining is becoming more women-friendly with, for example, separate ablution facilities, specially designed personal protective equipment (PPE), as well as information about sexual harassment, medical fitness and other concerns raised by management, but there are still challenges to overcome to create a productive environment for everyone."

What's next on your agenda?

"The WIM Committee would like to thank the mine for assistance with the launch. Watch this space!"



Olivia Maasdorp

ONS OMGEWING/OUR ENVIRONMENT



Aloe claviiflora

CANNON ALOE/KRAAL ALOE

APPEARANCE: One of the easiest succulents to identify, the flowers of this plant appear to fall towards the ground and the plants grow close to each other in a "camp fire" arrangement.

HABITAT: Found in extremely arid areas of South Africa – on flat, stony ground, in well-drained sandy soil, and on rocky outcrops and hills – this plant grows naturally from Vanrhynsdorp to the Gariep River, and in Upington, Kakamas and Pella.

Source: South African National Biodiversity Institute

AANTEELAALWYN/KANONAALWYN/KRAALAALWYN

VOORKOMS: Een van die maklikste vetplante te identifiseer, dit lyk asof die blomme van hierdie plant val grond toe en die plante groei rondom 'n "kampvuur".

HABITAT: Gevind in uifers droë gebiede van Suid-Afrika – op plat, klipperige grond, in goed gedreineerde sandgrond en op rotsagtige heuwels – hierdie plant groei natuurlik van Vanrhynsdorp tot by die Gariepriver, en in Upington, Kakamas en Pella.

Inligtingsbron: Suid-Afrikaanse Nasionale Biodiversiteitsinstituit

IN THE MEDIA

WATCH: #GAMSBERGMINE OFFICIALLY OPENED BY RAMAPHOSA

PRESIDENT CYRIL RAMAPHOSA UNVEILED THE PLAQUE TO OFFICIALLY OPEN THE MUCH ANTICIPATED GAMSBERG MINE.

Read the story at www.iol.co.za/business-report/economy/watch-gamsbergmine-officially-opened-by-ramaphosa-19560840

SINKMYN SKEP NUWE WERKSGELEENTHEDE IN NK

PRESIDENT CYRIL RAMAPHOSA HET AMPTELIK DIE NUWE GAMSBERG-SINKMYN GEOPEN.

Lees die storie op www.netwerk24.com/ZA/Noordkaap/Nuus/sinkmyn-skep-nuwe-werksgeleentehede-vir-nk-20190305-2

GAMSBURG 'A BREATH OF FRESH AIR' IN EMBATTLED SOUTH AFRICAN MINING INDUSTRY – RAMAPHOSA

PRESIDENT CYRIL RAMAPHOSA PRESIDED OVER THE OFFICIAL INAUGURATION OF VEDANTA ZINC INTERNATIONAL'S GAMSBERG MINE.

Read the story at www.miningweekly.com/article/gamsberg-a-breath-of-fresh-air-in-embattled-south-african-mining-industry-ramaphosa-2019-02-28

GOOD NEWS FOR N CAPE

THE MINE REPRESENTS AN INVESTMENT OF R21.8 BILLION AND, ONCE FULLY DEVELOPED, WILL BE ONE OF THE WORLD'S TOP FIVE ZINC MINES.

Read the story at www.dfa.co.za/news/good-news-for-n-cape-19575783

PRES RAMAPHOSA OPEN GAMSBERGMYN

PRESIDENT CYRIL RAMAPHOSA HET DIE VEDANTA ZINC INTERNATIONAL GAMSBERGMYN GEOPEN.

Lees die storie op www.northwestnewspapers.co.za/gemsbok/2015-06-18-10-02-17/hoe-om-n-ad-te-plaas/8-jongste-nuus/1573-pres-ramaphosa-open-gamsbergmyn

INVESTING IN SA 'MAKES BUSINESS SENSE', ANIL AGARWAL SAYS

AT THE OFFICIAL OPENING OF VEDANTA'S GAMSBERG ZINC MINE IN THE NORTHERN CAPE, FOUNDER AGARWAL SAID HIS COMPANY HAD INVESTED \$400M IN THE MINE.

Read the story at www.businesslive.co.za/bd/companies/mining/2019-03-01-investing-in-sa-makes-business-sense-anil-agarwal-says/

GAMSBERG GETS GOING

PHASE 1 OF GAMSBERG, REPRESENTING A US\$400 MILLION INVESTMENT BY VEDANTA IN SOUTH AFRICA, WAS CELEBRATED AT THE OPENING CEREMONY ON 28 FEBRUARY.

With a life of mine of 13 years, four million tonnes of ore will be produced a year from the open pit and 250,000 tonnes of zinc-in-concentrate a year from its concentrator plant.

Investigations into phases 2 and 3 are underway to increase ore mined to eight million tonnes a year and production of zinc-in-concentrate up to 600,000 tonnes a year. The additional investment will be US\$350 million to US\$400 million.

Vedanta is also pursuing a feasibility study into the development and construction of a smelter-refinery complex to honour the commitment by Vedanta and government to local metal beneficiation.

More than 3,000 people were employed during the construction of Phase 1 of Gamsberg – more than half of them were recruited from the Northern Cape and over 25% from local communities. When in full production, Gamsberg will employ 800 to 850 people.

The Gamsberg zinc resource, although discovered more than 40 years ago, had been held undeveloped by various South African mining companies until Vedanta acquired it in 2011 as part of the Black Mountain Complex. Vedanta gave the project go-ahead in 2014 and the first blast was eight months later.

At the Gamsberg opening last month, Northern Cape Premier Sylvia Lucas, said: “The Northern Cape is a province that has enormous potential for investment opportunities. What is critical to such few people living in such an enormous land space is the ability of the people of the province, all levels of government and investors to strive together to usher in lasting prosperity for the province and the country”.

Vedanta’s CEO, Srinivasan Venkatakrishnan, reflected on his time in the South African mining industry, and the pride he felt as President Cyril Ramaphosa opened Gamsberg. He also highlighted Vedanta’s local procurement and corporate social responsibility spend: “Local procurement is critical to economic development. More than 90% of our US\$400 million investment at Gamsberg has been spent in South Africa. Our expenditure with local enterprises was around R77.5 million in 2018 while we invested more than R44.6 million in 2018 on training and social projects aimed at skills development, education, health, enterprise development and municipal infrastructure support. And this was before the mine had made a single cent”.

Speaking on behalf of Vedanta, Chairman Anil Agarwal emphasised his commitment to South Africa and his belief in the future of the South African mining industry. He also noted his and Vedanta’s support for President Ramaphosa’s immediate vision for the industry.

He reiterated the commitment made by Vedanta to South Africa’s investment drive.

VZI’s CEO, Deshnee Naidoo, said: “For us at Vedanta, Gamsberg is so much more than a mine. It is an employer and job creator, an enabler of development and growth, a good neighbour and citizen, and a fervent supporter of the Northern Cape and South Africa. And it can be more – Gamsberg has the potential to be a catalyst for a new wave of industrial and economic development in the Northern Cape”. She emphasised that the opening of the first phase of Gamsberg was the result of the combined efforts of several thousand people who all deserve thanks for their contributions.

Mineral Resources Minister Gwede Mantashe told guests at the opening of Gamsberg: “Investing in South Africa today is the correct decision and we are happy that Vedanta has expressed its confidence in the South African economy with this investment. Mining is also the anchor of the fourth industrial revolution and that’s why we hold the view that it is a sunrise industry”.

Delivering the keynote address, President Ramaphosa said: “The Vedanta Gamsberg project is an important step in our shared journey to revive our mining industry. It confirms our view that, with an effective regulatory framework, improved collaboration between all stakeholders and sustained investment, mining has the potential to be a sunrise industry. South Africa has vast undeveloped mineral deposits that we have the opportunity to exploit for the benefit of all the people of this country. We welcome this substantial investment by Vedanta, which not only deepens South Africa’s relationship with India but also signals Vedanta’s confidence in the future of South Africa’s mining industry. We welcome Vedanta as a partner that is committed to help us achieve our development goals in a manner that is sustainable, transformative and inclusive. And we pay tribute to the people and leadership of this region who joined hands with Vedanta to secure a better future for all”.

Vedanta is committed to local economic development in Khai-Ma and the Northern Cape. Spend towards local enterprises increased from R25 million in the 2016/17 financial year to R77.5 million in the 2017/18 year. From a corporate social responsibility perspective, Vedanta invested more than R44.6 million in the 2017/18 financial year on training and social projects aimed at skills development, education, health, enterprise development and municipal infrastructure support.

GAMSBERG GEVIER

Dit het gevoel asof die hele Suid-Afrika die opening van Gamsberg op 28 Februarie gevier het.

Gaste het beweeg in ritme met Pops Mohamed, Baeletsi Tsatsi, die !Gubi gesin, die Aggeneys Gemeenskapskoor, die Mzansi Jeugkoor, Namastap Dansers, Monde Msutwana en Gregory Maqoma met sy Namakwaland dansers.

Seremoniemeesteres Lyntjie Jaars het die gehoor ook vermaak tussen elke vertoning.

Toekennings is gegee aan maatskappye en mense wat in die ontwikkeling van Gamsberg gewerk het.



SECURING FUTURES

WORKING WITH UMSIZI SUSTAINABLE SOCIAL SOLUTIONS, THE BLACK MOUNTAIN COMPLEX HAS REACHED 214 HOUSEHOLDS IN WITBANK, PELLA, POFADDER AND ONSEEPKANS THROUGH THE BROAD-BASED LIVELIHOODS PROGRAMME THAT AIMS TO HELP PEOPLE EARN SUSTAINABLE INCOMES.

Door-to-door visits, announcements and practical training, including lessons in installing shade netting, have been conducted.

Lessons in food production and entrepreneurship will soon begin to educate people about running their own businesses that will eventually create jobs within their communities.



Communities are encouraged to attend meetings about creating opportunities in Pofadder, Pella, Witbank and Onseepkans.



The Broad-based Livelihoods programme is helping communities help each other.



The first trench bed has been dug and filled by community members in Witbank.



Tunnels have been installed for communities to grow and sell their own fresh food.



CARE FOR CHILDREN

WHEN DRIVING NEAR A SCHOOL OR BEHIND A BUS CARRYING CHILDREN, REMEMBER:

- Be mindful of children getting off a bus and crossing a road.
- Don't overtake a bus that has stopped for children to get on or off.
- Slow down when approaching a school or in areas with children.



SHARING SCIENCE

Fraser Alexander donated science equipment, valued at R74 000, to Aggeney's International Academy in February this year.

EDUCATING EDUCATORS

TEACHERS FROM BOESMANLAND HIGH SCHOOL IN POFADDER VISITED THE GAMSBERG OPERATIONS ON 22 JANUARY WHERE THEY MET ANDRÉ TRYTSMAN (GENERAL MANAGER OF THE BLACK MOUNTAIN COMPLEX) AND MUBARIK KHAN (HEAD OF GAMSBERG OPERATIONS).

The visitors learned about daily mine operations and the management of Gamsberg.



BUSINESS WITH PURPOSE

Deshnee Naidoo, Chief Executive Officer of Vedanta Zinc International, spoke about "business with purpose" at the Investing in African Mining Indaba at the Cape Town International Convention Centre in February.

She explained Vedanta's approach to stakeholder management, sustainability and creating no net loss at Gamsberg. She also shared information about the Gamsberg project while engaging with thought leaders and industry peers about turning risks into opportunities.

Business and government leaders attended the event to discuss critical issues affecting the sustainability of Africa's mining industry.



Deshnee Naidoo, Chief Executive Officer of Vedanta Zinc International, spoke at the 2019 Investing in African Mining Indaba, which brings mining professionals together in Cape Town every year.

CHARLIZE FINNISH

CHARLIZE NICOLE FINNISH, 'N HÖERSKOOL AGGENEYS GRAAD 11 LEERDER, SE NATUURLIKE SANGTALENT VERRYK DIE LEWENS VAN MENSE RONDON GAMSBERG.

Sy het vier jaar gelede vir haar gehoor begin sing en is nou 'n blink ster in haar gemeenskap.

Haar ma en suster deel haar passie vir sang. Hulle het haar aangemoedig om die droom waar te maak.

Sy wil graag aanhou sing, asook 'n natuurbewaarder en sportsielkundige word, na skool.



Charlize Finnish entertains audiences around Gamsberg with her natural singing talent.

2019 SCHOOL CALENDAR

AGGENEYS INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY

- **TERM 2:** 2 April - 14 June
- **TERM 3:** 9 July - 20 September
- **TERM 4:** 8 October - 6 December

LAERSKOOL AGGENEYS

- **KWARTAAL 2:** 2 April - 14 Junie
- **KWARTAAL 3:** 9 Julie - 20 September
- **KWARTAAL 4:** 1 Oktober - 4 Desember

HOËRSKOOL AGGENEYS

- **KWARTAAL 2:** 2 April - 14 Junie
- **KWARTAAL 3:** 9 Julie - 20 September
- **KWARTAAL 4:** 1 Oktober - 4 Desember

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