## Vedanta commits Rs 80,000 crore investment to transform northeast India at rising northeast summit

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Vedanta Group pledges ₹80,000 crore across six Northeast states at the Rising Northeast Investors Summit 2025. The investment targets oil and gas, critical minerals, and renewable energy, with Cairn Oil & Gas already producing in Assam. Vedanta also focuses on infrastructure and social development, including transr ... Read More



Vedanta group chairman Anil Agrawal at Rising Northeast investor summit (ANI)

New Delhi: Vedanta Group on Friday announced a Rs 80,000 crore investment across six states in the north east region. The announcement was made during the inaugural session of the Rising Northeast Investors Summit 2025, organized by the ministry of development of northeastern region in New Delhi.

Addressing the summit in the presence of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, union minister Jyotiraditya M Scindia, and chief ministers of the Northeastern states, Vedanta chairman Anil

Agarwal detailed the company's plans to invest in sectors including oil and gas, critical minerals, refining, power transmission, renewable energy, optical fibre networks, and data centres. This commitment includes the previously announced Rs 50,000 crore for Assam at the Advantage Assam 2.0 summit, and an additional Rs 30,000 crore now allocated to Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Tripura, Meghalaya, and Mizoram.

Anil Agarwal emphasized the Northeast's growing economic potential and abundant natural resources, calling the region a "key engine of growth for Viksit Bharat." He reaffirmed Vedanta's commitment to playing a transformative role in harnessing these resources responsibly and sustainably.

Vedanta's oil and gas subsidiary, Cairn Oil and Gas, has already commenced production at the Hazarigaon field in Assam — the first Discovered Small Field (DSF) in the Northeast to go into operation.

The locally produced gas is being supplied to tea estates, supporting a transition from coal-based energy to cleaner fuel, and also powers over 100 CNG buses in Guwahati as part of Assam's green mobility drive.

In Arunachal Pradesh, Vedanta has secured vanadium and graphite mineral blocks through recent auctions, aiming to supply India's high-tech manufacturing and clean energy sectors with essential critical minerals. The state holds significant reserves, including the highest graphite deposits in the country and nearly 40% of its hydro power potential.

To support regional infrastructure, Vedanta and its sister companies have commissioned a 300-circuit-kilometer transmission network that enables the transfer of 1,000 MW of electricity from Assam to Meghalaya, significantly enhancing power availability and reliability across both states.

In addition to its industrial and infrastructure plans, Vedanta is expanding its social development programs. These include modernized anganwadis under the Nand Ghar initiative, digital classrooms, handloom skill development centres, and sports promotion. More than 3,000 women have already benefited from the handloom centres, gaining financial independence through sustainable livelihoods. The company is also engaged in community outreach across 200 villages and has partnered with Kaziranga National Park to strengthen wildlife conservation in the region.

With this substantial investment commitment, Vedanta is positioning itself as a key private sector player in the Northeast's development story, supporting both economic growth and inclusive social progress.