

THE RAMCO CEMENTS LIMITED

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Dear Sirs,

Sub: Announcement under Regulation 30 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 – Press Release.

We enclose copy of Press Release dated 27.6.2018, highlighting the initiatives of the Company in the areas of Training to promote sports, nationally recognised sports, Paralympic sports and Olympic sports, as specified in Clause vii or Schedule VII of Companies Act, 2013.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully, For THE RAMCO CEMENTS LIMITED,

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K.SELVANAYAGAM SECRETARY

Encl: As above





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PRESS RELEASE

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POWERING YOUNG MINDS

India makes history with its youngest Grandmaster

The Ramco Cements Limited for the past several decades has been involved in nurturing and powering young minds in the realms of Chess and Debating among school children.

Over the last three years, the company has been supporting the child prodigies Praggnanandhaa and his sister Vaishali in their pursuit of excellence in the game ably supported by their coach R.B. Ramesh. The country feels proud that Praggnanandhaa has become the world's second youngest Grandmaster and India's youngest Grandmaster at the age of 12 years and 10 months.

A student of class VIII, the child prodigy from Chennai, made history by becoming India's youngest GM after making it to the final round at the Gredine Open in Italy. In 2016, he became the world's youngest International Master when he was not even eleven years old.

It is noteworthy that it was Mr.P.R.Venketrama Raja, Chairman & Managing Director of The Ramco Cements Limited and President of the All India Chess Federation since 2014, who identified the prodigious talent in the young Praggnanandhaa, when he was not even 6. Mr.P.R.Venketrama Raja nurtured the young boy by supporting him wholeheartedly to develop his talent and provided him opportunities including excellent coaching facilities and participation in international events. Mr.P.R.Venketrama Raja, as President of TN State Chess Association from 2008 to 2014, played an integral role as the Chairman of the Organising Committee in Carlson Anand World Championship at Chennai. Ramco Group also actively sponsored Viswanathan Anand during the early part of his career.



For the past several decades, much before Corporate Social Responsibility came into corporate parlance; the RAMCO GROUP has been investing substantially every year in the sectors of education and health, contributing its best for the upliftment of the lesser privileged sections of society and striving towards empowerment of young minds.

It may be further highlighted that Ramco Group supports The India Schools Debating Society (ISDS) to hone the debating skills of children from hundreds of schools across the country. The children trained by ISDS have gone on to win prestigious International debating competitions including those conducted at Cambridge.

The Ramco Cements Limited is the flagship company of the Ramco Group, a Rs. 6000 crore industrial conglomerate with interests spanning cotton yarn, cement, building products, software solutions, power and more. The company has a production capacity of 16.5 million MTPA with 10 manufacturing facilities across India. The company has been the forerunner in promoting blended cements from 1997, investing in state-of-the-art technologies sourced from across the globe, consistently monitoring and maintaining energy efficient machineries and investing substantial amounts every year in improving the energy parameters of the plant and machinery.



