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**PRESS RELEASE**

## **Vedanta organizes Free Dental Check-Up Camp**

**Bommenahalli, November 24th, 2017:** Vedanta - Sesa Goa Karnataka division, organized a free dental check-up and awareness camp for students and locals of the community in association with SJM Dental Hospital at Bommenahalli village, Chitradurga on Friday, 24th November '17. A team of six doctors led by Dr. Sachin Naik, Dentistry Department, SJM Dental Hospital, Sirigere conducted the session.

The camp started with a dental awareness talk, educating students and locals about common dental problems, ailments, especially on tooth decay and gum diseases and measures to prevent them.

On this occasion, the key spokesperson Dr. Sachin Naik explained that “Added sugar and acids in soft drinks, cookies, and candies are possibly a reason for an increase in bacteria present in the mouth causing tooth decay. One should control the consumption of such sugar added products.” He also introduced the state government scheme ‘Danta Bhagya’ for providing free dentures and treatment to those aged 58 and above belonging to the Below Poverty Line (BPL) category on the occasion.

Mr. Manjunatha, Vice President Gram Panchayat, Bommenahalli said, “I applaud this initiative of Vedanta for the local communities. This noble work will certainly add to the sustainable development of a healthy and a conscious society.”

The students and locals had an interactive session with the doctors. Around 292 students and locals in and around Bommenahalli were benefitted from this health initiative.

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**Photo Caption:**

- 1. Dr. Sachin Naik, Dentistry Department from SJM Dental College and Hospital conducting dental awareness session**
- 2. Locals of Bommenahalli at Vedanta's Free Dental Check-up Camp**

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