

# Press Release

# Chitradurga MLA Lauds Vedanta for infrastructure Developments at Malapanahatti Village

- As a part of CSR program, Vedanta Iron ore Karnataka Division constructed Community Hall at Malapanahatti village in order to upgrade village infrastructure.

**Chitradurga, 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2020:** Vedanta's Iron Ore Karnataka Division has constructed community hall at Malapanahatti village with an aim to upgrade the village infrastructure to facilitate community events and engagement programs. The community hall was inaugurated by Shri. G.H.Thipparedyy –MLA, Chitradurga in distinguished presence of Smt. Shashikala Suresh Babu – President, Zilla Panchayath, Chitradurga, Shri. Krishna Reddy- Director – Vedanta ,Iron Ore Karnataka, A. Eshwarappa – President – Shri Marikamba samudaya Bhavana, Malapanahatti and other panchayat members of Jolaghatta GP.

Infrastructure development is one of the major thrust area of CSR intervention at Vedanta. The community hall constructed at Malapanahatti, is handed over to the village panchayat for the long term benefits of the villagers. The Vedanta's initiative is well appreciated by villagers and panchayat members of the Malapanahatti village.

Speaking on the occasion, Chief Guest, **G.H.Thipparedyy** –**MLA**, **Chitradurga** lauded the Vedanta's initiative and Said" I appreciate Vedanta for this infrastructure development initiative at Malapanahatti village which will be helpful to the village community. I urge villagers and gram panchayat to optimally make use of the facility and collaboratively work towards the holistic development of the village"

Expressing his views about the CSR initiative, **Mr. Sauvick Mazumdar, CEO, Vedanta Sesa Goa Iron Ore Business quoted** "Our constant endeavor is to ensure the community development through robust & sustainable CSR interventions in order to contribute towards the larger goal of Nation building. In line with our core philosophy of Care, We strive hard to create the maximum value for all our stakeholders and create the conducive environment for sustainable growth"

While addressing the gathering during inauguration ceremony, **Mr. Krishna Reddy- Director – Vedanta, Iron Ore Karnataka Business** said "At Vedanta we are committed to the holistic development of communities through our structured CSR interventions. We strongly believe that community engagement is our top most priority and integral to our business philosophy. We will continue to contribute towards Socio-Economic upliftment of communities around, through all possible means."



Vedanta Iron Ore Karnataka has introduced several high impact CSR initiatives across Chitradurga district, such as Nandghars, Alternative Livelihood Opportunities Project (ALOP), Vedanta Girl's scholarship, Evening study centers etc. Which are benefitting all the sections of the communities.

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