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Press Release

Vedanta Iron Ore contributes ₹1 crore towards Karnataka Chief Minister's Relief Fund COVID-19

Bengaluru, 23.04.2020: Vedanta Iron Ore at Karnataka, today contributed ₹1 crore to Chief Minister's Relief Fund COVID-19, Government of Karnataka to combat the widespread outbreak of deadly COVID-19. Mr. Krishna Reddy, Director- Vedanta Iron Ore Business, Karnataka and Ms. Meghna Ghosh, Chief External Relation Officer Vedanta Iron Ore Business, Karnataka met with the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Karnataka, Shri B.S Yediyurappa and handed over the donation letter to him. In line with Vedanta philosophy of care and community welfare, Vedanta Iron Ore Business has also been working in close-coordination with the Office of District Administration of Chitradurga, Goa, Jharkhand and Vizag to help them in providing necessary infrastructure and provisioning of protective equipment across COVID-19 medical facilities in the state.

Mr. Sauvick Mazumdar, CEO, Vedanta Iron Ore Business said, "We, at Vedanta, have always believed in giving back to the society and the nation. Today, when Covid-19 pandemic has posed unprecedented challenges for the state of Karnataka, the contribution of ₹1 crore towards Chief Minister's Relief Fund COVID- 19 is a step forward to combat coronavirus. Humanity and supporting the masses is the need of the hour in these trying times, we will succeed in fighting this pandemic."

Mr. Krishna Reddy, Director- Vedanta Iron Ore Business, Karnataka said, "We are together in the current contagion situation and I am hopeful that through our collective efforts, we will succeed in fighting this dreaded virus. I would also request citizens of Karnataka to stay safe and act responsibly."

As part of the Vedanta Group's efforts to support people in distress, Vedanta Iron Ore at Karnataka is ramping up its community outreach programs and reaching out to all stakeholders in this battle against the pandemic.

Vedanta Iron Ore at Karnataka, has initiated several on - ground support activities to overcome this difficult situation. Recently, with the objective to ensure the protection of those who protect us by jeopardizing their lives and leading from the front during emergencies, Vedanta Iron Ore at Karnataka has provided 250 Personal Protective kits and 5,000 hand gloves to the Chitradurga District Police, 100 masks along with sanitizer bottles to the Regional Transport Office (RTO) - Chitradurga and 150 cotton masks to the Department of Mines & Geology (DMG) Chitradurga District. Fumigation services were provided to Police stations across the District, DMG and Chitradurga Forest Office.

Vedanta Iron Ore at Karnataka has always had a symbolic relationship with Chitradurga Community for many decades and in this critical situation the company has handed over 10 ICU cots and 10 Multi- Para



Monitor to the District Administration set to be installed at the COVID – 19 Relief District Hospital along 500 sanitiser bottles, 2500 triple layer N95 masks, 500 personal protection kits and an ambulance for emergency medical facilities. The company has also, handed over 3400 ration kits to the District Administration Office to help them be well prepared in the current situation. Besides this, Vedanta Iron Ore at Karnataka distributed 2600 three layered cloth masks to police officers, health workers and the community people across Chitradurga district handmade by local SHG women over the course of two weeks.

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