

## **Press Release**

### **Vedanta Iron Ore Karnataka's healthcare initiatives see 13K+ footfall across Chitradurga**

**28<sup>th</sup> November 2022:** Vedanta's Iron Ore Karnataka (IOK) has organized eye Check-up camp at Primary Health Center (PHC) Hireguntanuru, in association with Sankaraya Eye Hospital Shimoga and NGO partner Sevamob. The eye check-up camp witnessed huge response from villagers and they have undergone preliminary check-up and surgeries basis their condition and requirement at free of cost, most of them being elderly and women.

Vedanta IOK has been promoting and undertaking various community health care initiatives across Chitradurga District, which includes Mobile Health Units (MHU), general health check-ups and treatment, eye check-ups, TB health camps, health awareness sessions, distribution of free medicine to villagers and so on. Vedanta- IOK's various health care programs provides quality health facilities to the people at their doorsteps across 24 villages of Chitradurga and received more than 13200+ footfalls till now.

**Mr. Krishna Reddy, COO – Mining, Vedanta Iron Ore Business,** said, *"At Vedanta, we are committed towards holistic development of communities around through our structured CSR interventions. Community Healthcare program is one of the major thrust areas of our CSR initiatives and these community health upliftment programs across Chitradurga is a step ahead in our endeavour to provide quality healthcare facilities to the communities in the periphery of our operations."*

**Mr. Shrishaila Gouda, CEO – Iron Ore Karnataka, Vedanta Limited** said, *"We, at Vedanta IOK, continuously strive to ensure quality healthcare facilities for the communities around, through our structured CSR interventions. To realise this goal, we've started multiple healthcare initiatives across Chitradurga including Mobile Health Units (MHU), specialised health camps etc., so that we could reach the last mile in ensuring essential medical services to the villagers. Through our CSR initiatives, we are continuously working towards strengthening health infrastructure and medical facilities in villages across periphery."*

**Mr. Suresh, Primary Health Center staff, Hireguntanuru,** speaking about Vedanta's health programs said, *"I thank Vedanta for organizing Free Eye Camp in our village. I appreciate the efforts of Vedanta Iron Ore Karnataka management and Sevamob for providing better medical services to the villagers. We expect more camps like this from Vedanta which will be very helpful for the local communities."*

Under the aegis of Anil Agarwal foundation, Vedanta's Iron Ore Karnataka has implemented multiple community development initiatives across Chitradurga district. During the Covid-19 pandemic, the company established two, 100-bed Covid-19 makeshift hospitals in Chitradurga and Hubli, to support the state government and district administrations to tackle the pandemic. Besides this, Vedanta's IOK has provided immune boosters, Covid Shield Masks, and PPE kits to Chitradurga Police Department and frontline warriors to combat COVID-19.

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