

## **Press Release**

# Vedanta continues to support Karnataka Govt. in combating COVID

- Vedanta distributed 5000 Nos. of N95 masks and 50 Ltrs of Sanitizer in the surrounding villages.
- Vedanta organised for fumigation of 20 villages in and around Chitradurga.
- Vedanta Handed over 500 ration kits and 15 oxygen concentrators to Chitradurga Deputy Commissioner's office in order to help people during COVID crisis.
- Vedanta Handed over 2000 Nos. Optical Face Shields & 2000 Nos. Immunity Booster Kits to Chitradurga SP Office, for the safety of frontline Police Personnel.

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Chitradurga, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021: Delivering on its commitment to support state administration and communities around in the fight against Covid-19, Vedanta Iron Ore Karnataka provided 5000 N95 masks, 15 Oxygen concentrators and 500 ration kits to the Chitradurga District collectorate and 2000 optical face shields to Chitradurga SP Office, in order to ensure the health & safety of the communities around. Vedanta Iron Ore Karnataka also organised fumigation drives at 20 villages in & around Chitradurga. DC Chitradurga appreciated Vedanta for providing support in terms of N95 masks, ration kits, fumigation of villages and supply of oxygen concentrators, which will help the people from Chitradurga & periphery during the unprecedented situation posed due to COVID Pandemic. SP Chitradurga commended Vedanta's efforts for contributing towards the safety of frontline COVID warriors by providing face shields, who are relentlessly working to tackle the COVID crisis.

Appreciating Vedanta Ms. Kavitha S. Mannikeri, Deputy Commissioner, Chitradurga Said "I thank Vedanta for supporting district administration in combating COVID. The contribution of Vedanta will help the people during these challenging times and meeting their needs during the restrictions imposed due to COVID crisis. State and central Govt. is committed towards the safety of the people and I am sure soon we will overcome this unprecedented situation caused due to COVID Pandemic."

**Mr. Sauvick Mazumdar, CEO, Iron & Steel Business, Vedanta Limited,** Quoted, "We are committed to partner with the State administration in combating COVID-19 and our collective efforts will support our communities around. We are working in close co-ordination with the Government authorities to extend the support for health and safety of the people during this unprecedented situation and I am sure, we will tide over this COVID crisis very soon."



Mr. Krishna Reddy, Director, Vedanta's Iron Ore Karnataka said, "As a responsible corporate we believe that Health and Safety of our stakeholders and communities at large is our topmost priority. We are joining hands with District administrations for various community outreach initiatives in order to overcome COVID pandemic"

Recently Vedanta Launched two 100 bedded COVID Field hospitals at Chitradurga and Hubli respectively, adding up 200 beds Medical infrastructure for healthcare of COVID patients in the state. During the first wave of Covid-19 last year, Vedanta Iron Ore Karnataka provided relentless support to the people of Karnataka and frontline warriors by contributing to the CM relief fund, providing masks, sanitizers and supplying groceries during the lockdown.

Vedanta group is working on several initiatives across the country to support the fight against the second wave as well and has supplied 15 lakh litres of medical oxygen and set up three oxygen plants. As part of the Vedanta Cares initiative, the company has set up 1,410 beds medical infrastructure in 21 hospitals across the country to lend a helping hand to ailing patients, especially from the marginalised sections. Vedanta has also provided 502 oxygen concentrators in various parts of the country and supplied more than 10,500 PPE kits to safeguard health professionals and community workers.

During the second phase of the pandemic, Vedanta has expanded its CSR initiatives across 516 villages, thereby impacting the lives of around 4.5 lakh people across the country

#### **About Vedanta Cares**

Vedanta is committed to reinvest in the social good of its neighbourhood communities and the nation. Under the aegis of Anil Agarwal Foundation, Vedanta is setting up 10 'field hospitals' with 1,000 beds for COVID -19 patients across India. The company has pledged Rs. 150 Cr to help the country in its fight against the rapidly spreading second wave of Covid 19. The company had contributed Rs 201 crore last year in the wake of the Covid crisis catering to the livelihood of daily wage workers, preventive health care and support to all its employees and contract partners across its plant locations.

#### **About Vedanta Limited**

Vedanta Limited, a subsidiary of Vedanta Resources Limited, is one of the world's leading Oil & Gas and Metals company with significant operations in Oil & Gas, Zinc, Lead, Silver, Copper, Iron Ore, Steel, and Aluminium & Power across India, South Africa, Namibia, and Australia. For two decades, Vedanta has been contributing significantly to nation building. Governance and sustainable development are at the core of Vedanta's strategy, with a strong focus on health, safety, and environment. Giving back is in the DNA of Vedanta, which is focused on enhancing the lives of local communities. Under the aegis of Vedanta Cares, the flagship social impact program, Nand Ghars have been set up as model



anganwadis focused on eradicating child malnutrition, providing education, healthcare, and empowering women with skill development. Vedanta and its group companies have been featured in Dow Jones Sustainability Index 2020, and were conferred Frost & Sullivan Sustainability Awards 2020, CII Environmental Best Practices Award 2020, CSR Health Impact Award 2020, CII National Award 2020 for Excellence in Water Management, CII Digital Transformation Award 2020, ICSI National Award 2020 for excellence in Corporate Governance, People First HR Excellence Award 2020, 'Company with Great Managers 2020' by People Business and certified as a Great Place to Work 2021. Vedanta's flagship Nand Ghar Project was identified as best CSR project by the Government of Rajasthan. Vedanta Limited is listed on the Bombay Stock Exchange and the National Stock Exchange in India and has ADRs listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

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