

Press Release

Vedanta organises Covid Awareness Camps at Chitradurga; Benefits 3400 People through various healthcare initiatives

- *Vedanta's Mobile Health Unit (MHU) initiative in association with Sevamob, benefitted people across sixteen villages in Chitradurga district by providing healthcare facilities at doorstep.*
- *Vedanta's Iron Ore Karnataka conducted nutrition camp and HIV/AIDS awareness camp in association with partner NGO, Sevamob across Chitradurga.*

Chitradurga, 21st January 2022: Vedanta- Iron Ore Karnataka Business organized several community healthcare initiatives such as COVID care awareness camps, nutrition camps, HIV/AIDS awareness programs and healthcare facilities at doorstep through mobile health units, across Chitradurga. Vedanta Iron Ore Karnataka recently organized a Covid awareness camp about the new Covid-19 variant, Omicron, at Dr. B. R Ambedkar High School, Siddapura, to raise awareness about preventive and safety measures to curb the spread of Covid-19/Omicron in the villages. Masks and sanitizer were distributed to the attendees at the awareness camp followed by general health check-up of school students & support staff which benefitted over 200 people.

Besides this Vedanta Iron Ore Karnataka Business provides free health check-ups, consultation, treatment, and medicine to the local community in Chitradurga district on a regular basis through Mobile Healthcare Units (MHU) initiatives, which is in association with partner NGO Sevamob. These initiatives have benefitted over 3400 people from sixteen villages surrounding the company's operational area, in the third quarter of FY22.

Thanking Vedanta Limited for the initiative, **Ms. Geetha, Headmaster, Dr. B. R Ambedkar High School, Siddapura** said, *"We are grateful to Vedanta Limited and Sevamob for organizing COVID-19 awareness session in our school. The session educated students on the preventive measures and will be very helpful in reducing the spread of the virus."*

Further to enhance healthcare facility and strengthen health awareness among the communities around, the company organized a nutrition camp and HIV /AIDS awareness sessions. The nutrition camp organized at Sri Yogi Narayan Yatindra School, Bommenahalli was attended by over 350 children. The HIV /AIDS awareness session organized at Siddappa Smarak high School, Muthugaduru witnessed the participation of 250 people.

Mr. Sauvick Mazumdar, CEO- Iron & Steel Sector, Vedanta Limited said *"We are committed towards the holistic development of communities around and health is one of the major areas of our CSR initiatives. Our endeavor is to expand the reach of our community development initiatives, to benefit maximum people. The aim of these initiatives is to further enhance the healthcare facilities across Chitradurga for the larger benefits of the communities. "*

Commenting on the company's healthcare initiatives, **Mr. Krishna Reddy, Director, Vedanta Iron Ore Karnataka Business** stated, *"Vedanta Iron Ore Karnataka is committed towards Socio-Economic upliftment of communities across Chitradurga and we believe, quality healthcare facilities is key area for the holistic community development. Our endeavor is to ensure quality healthcare facilities in & around the villages, in the periphery of our operations. These initiatives are in line with our aim to create best health facilities and expand the reach of our healthcare initiatives especially in the remote areas of Chitraduga district"*



During the second wave of Covid-19, Vedanta IOK added 200 bedded medical/COVID care infrastructure in Karnataka, through two 100 bedded COVID Field hospitals at Chitradurga and Hubli respectively. Vedanta Iron Ore Karnataka provided relentless support to the people of Karnataka and frontline warriors by contributing to the CM relief fund, providing ICU beds, drone, masks, sanitizers and supplying groceries during the lockdown period.

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