

## Vedanta's IOK supports students and elderly people through 'SEVA' Donation Drive at Chitradurga

- Vedanta's IOK launched a weeklong 'SEVA' Donation Drive to encourage employees and staff to contribute to Vedanta's larger philosophy of 'Giving Back to the community'
- Donated clothes, books and stationery and other items to 'Sri Basaveshwara Vidya Samsthe, Punarvasathi Kendra, Chitradurga

**10<sup>th</sup> October 2022:** Vedanta's Iron Ore Karnataka (IOK) organized 'SEVA' Donation Drive to encourage employees and staff to contribute for the social cause in line with Vedanta's mission of 'Giving Back to the community'. As a part of this unique CSR intervention employees of Vedanta's IOK collectively donated books, school materials, stationary, clothes and other essential material to 'Sri Basaveshwara Vidya Samsthe, Punarvasathi Kendra, Chitradurga' to support the children in need. The company also pledged to support the underprivileged students' and elderly from the surrounding 25 villages through numerous CSR activities.

**Mr. Krishna Reddy, COO- Mining, IOB- Vedanta Limited** said "I am extremely happy to see that our entire Iron Ore Karnataka team has enthusiastically contributed to this noble cause, and we will be replicating these unique initiatives across all our operations. At Vedanta, our constant endeavor is to partner in Socio- Economic upliftment of the communities around our operations, and inculcate the robust organizational culture with high focus on community development & sustainability"

**Mr. Shrishaila Gouda, CEO, Iron Ore Karnataka, Vedanta Limited** said, "At Vedanta, we strongly believe in the philosophy of 'Giving back to the society' and 'SEVA Donation Drive' is one such initiative launched at Vedanta IOK which promotes the importance of contributing to social cause amongst employees. I thank each and every member of my IOK team who has contributed to this noble cause and made the initiative a great success."

Shri. Shankarappa V K, Director - Sri Basaveshwara Vidya Samasthe, Punara Vasathi Kendra, Chitradurga, said "Vedanta IOK has been supporting the community villages through various CSR initiatives, especially for the progress of education and infrastructure development of the communities. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to the company and its employees, who have taken part in this noble act of charity drive, to support the young children and elderly of our orphanage."

Under the aegis of Anil Agarwal foundation, Vedanta's Iron Ore Karnataka has implemented various high-impact community development programs in Karnataka under the larger umbrella of the Alternative Livelihood Opportunities Project (ALOP) such as drinking water project, drought mitigation measures, women empowerment programs, WADI initiatives, crop diversification initiatives, clean kitchen chulhas, etc. for communities.



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