

Press Release

Vedanta's sanitation programs at Chitradurga benefits 350+ girl students

- *Vedanta's Iron Ore Karnataka division (IOK) constructed sanitation complexes at two Government schools from Chitradurga.*

Karnataka, 3rd March 2022: As a part of CSR initiative, Vedanta's Iron Ore Karnataka division recently constructed sanitation complexes for girl students at two govt. schools from Chitradurga district namely Siddappa Samaraka High School- Sasalu and Sri Anjeneya Swami Prodashala- Manangi. The program is benefitting over 350+ girl students of present batch and will help upcoming batches of the school in future. The objective of the initiative is to enhance the health and hygiene facilities at schools especially for girl students to curtail school drop-out rate due to limited sanitation facilities and to ensure complete elimination of open defecation. The sanitation complexes were handed over to respective school authorities in the distinguished presence of panchayat members, school staff and executives from Vedanta's Iron Ore Karnataka Business.

Development of sanitation infrastructure at schools will help in upliftment of education and will motivate more and more girl students to enrol and complete their education without any hindrance. Vedanta IOK's sanitation initiatives are highly appreciated by school staff and parents. They are now planning to provide the facilities in other government schools in Kannanur and other villages in the vicinity.

Mr. Sauvick Mazumdar, CEO- Iron & Steel Sector, Vedanta Limited said "We are committed towards contributing maximum to the Swachh Bharat Mission. This sanitation program is yet another step towards our endeavour to promote highest level of health & hygiene among communities in & around the periphery of our operations"

Mr. H.G. Ramojappa, Vice President, Taralabalu Society said, "*Sanitation facilities are very important for the wellbeing of the female students. We are grateful for Vedanta limited for constructing this sanitation complex that will reduce open defecation and drop-out rates among girls.*"

Mr. Krishna Reddy, Director- Iron Ore Karnataka, Vedanta Limited said "*Health and sanitation is one of the major focus areas of our CSR initiatives. I am sure this sanitation program will immensely benefit the girl students and will help to reduce school drop out rate. We strive hard to contribute maximum towards community development through our structured CSR initiatives for larger benefits of the communities around.*"

Vedanta's Iron Ore Karnataka Business has implemented various high impact community development programs in Karnataka such as alternative Livelihood opportunities project (ALOP), Drinking water project, Drought mitigation measures, scholarship programs, numerous Health initiatives for communities etc.

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