

Press Release

Vedanta IOK's Multi-Specialty Mega Health Camp Benefits 25 Villages

Vedanta IOK's, in collaboration with, Basaveshwara Medical College & Hospital, Chitradurga, Community Health Centre, Sirigere & Medihelp Foundation organized a **'Multi-specialty Mega Health Camp'**, at Community Health Centre, Sirigere. The health camp benefitted community members from around 25 villages.

The health camp, organised under Sesa Goa's Project **'Aarogya'**, provided specialty services including Orthopaedics, Ophthalmology, Dermatology, ENT, Dental, General Medicine, Paediatrics, and Gynaecologist. BP & Sugar Tests were also carried out for the visiting community members. Advice pertaining to medical conditions and lifestyle diseases such as Anaemia, Hypertension, Diabetes, knee and body pain, varicose veins, thyroid etc.

Manjappa, an 83-year-old person, hailing from Muthugduru village, Chitradurga, said, "I have been suffering from knee pain and body ache, and so I decided to visit the Multi-specialty Mega Health camp, organised by Vedanta – Iron Ore Karnataka at the Community Health Centre (CHC), Sirigere. The doctors from Basaveshwara Medical College & Hospital provided me with very good treatment and gave me the required medications. The camp was very beneficial for all the community members including me, for whom it is difficult to travel to Chitradurga city for treatment. The health camp was easily accessible to us, as it was organised in a nearby location. Thank you, Vedanta IOK, for the health camp!"

Dr Pavithra, MBBS, Community Health Centre (CHC), Sirigere, said, "Vedanta IOK has been constantly helping CHC, Sirigere, by conducting Multi-specialty Mega Health Camps, once in three months, in collaboration with the Basaveshwara Medical College & Hospital, Chitradurga. The company has provided us a lot of assistance, during the COVID times. They conduct regular health awareness sessions on diseases such as Malaria, Tuberculosis, Cervical cancer, Menstrual health awareness session, and so on. Vedanta's Mobile Health Unit (MHU) benefits community members in the remotest villages of Chitradurga, by providing services twice a week, and treating patients suffering from non-communicable diseases such as hypertension & Diabetes mellitus."

Mr. Shrishaila Gouda, CEO – Vedanta Iron Ore Karnataka said, "We are glad to have created an impact in the lives of over 330 people across villages, through the health camp. This camp reflects our deep commitment to improving the health and well-being of the communities in which we operate. By bringing together a diverse team of medical specialists, we aim to provide comprehensive healthcare services that are often inaccessible in rural areas. We are proud to play a role in enhancing the quality of life for residents through this significant endeavour."

Under Project 'Aarogya', over 100 health awareness camps have been organised in FY '24. Other initiatives include, Mobile Health Unit (MHU), which provides services to the remotest villages in Chitradurga, medical equipment distribution, contribution of >800 units of blood through the blood donation drives, cancer awareness sessions, cancer, Malaria, Anti-tobacco awareness sessions, Menstrual Health and Hygiene, and so on.

People from different walks of life, especially the rural communities benefitted the most from the multi-specialty health camp. This initiative is part of Vedanta IOK's larger mission to create a healthier and more inclusive society through community-focused programs. By organizing healthcare events such as 'Multi-specialty Mega Health Camp,' the company constantly

demonstrates its unwavering commitment to the holistic growth of the communities in the periphery of its operations.