

## ***Vedanta Donates Rs 5 crore to Tamil Nadu Chief Minister's Public Relief Fund***

*Vedanta's Sterlite Copper ramps up efforts for Community initiatives.*

- *Employees raise Rs 15 lakh to help support local sanitation and health workers*
  - *Partners with SHGs to manufacture and distribute hygiene items*

At a time when COVID-19 cases are on a steady rise, people and organisations from all walks of life are pitching in to supplement the efforts undertaken by the central and the state governments.

Vedanta Sterlite Copper has contributed Rs 5 crore to the Tamil Nadu Chief Minister's Public Relief Fund to join forces with the state in fighting the pandemic.

Vedanta has already provided Rs 101 crore to PM-CARES Fund towards this cause and has set up a Rs 100 crore corpus for daily workers, preventive healthcare and welfare of employees and contract partners across the country.

"We have 100,000 people working at Vedanta and each of them, along with their family members, are empowered to do whatever it takes to help people in distress. We are facing multiple problems but it's the country that comes first," Vedanta Limited Chairman Anil Agarwal has said.

In an act of solidarity with coronavirus-affected people, the employees of Sterlite Copper along with group businesses have contributed their one-day's salary for local communities.

Sterlite Copper has already teamed up with 10 Self Help Group (SHG) partners, comprising 150 members, to manufacture and distribute masks and personal hygiene items across 20 villages in Thoothukudi, providing the local communities with preventive safeguards against the virus.

Sterlite Copper has so far distributed around 30,000 masks to 5,200 households and truck drivers in the district. The company plans to distribute another 20,000 masks over the next few weeks.

As part of its ongoing community outreach programme, the company has provided around 1,300 litres of liquid handwash, 13,000 soap bars and 1,000 bottles of hand sanitizer to people in the district.

Sterlite Copper has distributed 200 sets of Personal Protective Equipment (PPEs) for frontline health workers at the Tuticorin Medical College Hospital and Tirunelveli Medical College Hospital. The company is in the process of securing an additional 200 sets of PPEs for use by the healthcare personnel.

Disinfectants such as Sodium Hypochlorite and Bleaching Powder along with appropriate disinfecting tools are being distributed across villages, positively impacting the lives of around 2 lakh people in the area.

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