

ŠKODA AUTO Volkswagen India Private Limited

## ŠKODA AUTO Volkswagen India provides its Mobile Health Clinic to Karanjihire Primary Healthcare Centre

- › The company is also contributing medicines and some medical devices/equipment worth INR 14 lacs like oxygen cylinders, stethoscope, BP monitors and other essentials to the 1400 bed Mahalunge Covid Care Centre
- › Karanjihire Primary Healthcare Centre (PHC) serves around 12 villages, including ŠAVW plant area in Pune
- › The van will also be used transfer patients requiring hospitalization as well as provide medical consultation in the villages they visit

**Pune, 08 July, 2020:** ŠKODA AUTO Volkswagen India today handed its Mobile Health Clinic Van to the Karanjihire Primary Healthcare Centre (PHC) that will help the medical staff medical consultation to around 12 villages including the including ŠAVW plant area in Pune. The same was handed over by Gurpratap Boparai, Managing Director, ŠKODA AUTO Volkswagen India Pvt Ltd to Khed Taluka Medical officials at the company's corporate headquarter in Pune. The Mobile Health Clinic Van will be provided for a period of six months, as an interim replacement for the 15 year old in-use ambulance, and will be utilized exclusively to transfer pregnant women to the Healthcare Centre to ensure a sanitized environment, and avoid mixing with regular patients.

In addition to the van, SAVWIPL is donating medicines and essential medical equipment worth INR 14 lakhs to the Mahalunge Covid Care Centre in Pune.

Commenting on the occasion, **Mr. Gurpratap Boparai, Managing Director, ŠKODA AUTO Volkswagen India Pvt Ltd said**, "At ŠKODA AUTO Volkswagen India, we are strongly committed towards our community and its well-being. We are humbled to be a part of such humanitarian initiatives and contribute to the society. As defined in our community charter, we will continue to support healthcare as one of the key pillars of our CSR initiatives."

**Dr. Baliram Gadhave, Taluka Health Officer-Khed** commended SAVW's efforts to support healthcare institutions in Pune district and other parts of the State and was particularly appreciative of the support extended to the Mahalunge Covid Care Centre.

**Dr. Jayshree Mahajan, Medical Officer, Karanjihire Primary Healthcare Centre** commented, "I would like take this opportunity to thank ŠAVW for their contribution in ensuring the continuity of the Mobile Health clinic for the numerous beneficiaries residing in and around Karanjihire. The support of establishments like SKODA Auto Volkswagen India enables essential healthcare access to the rural community and the general wellbeing of the society at large."

Earlier, ŠAVWIPL had pledged financial support of INR 1 crore for the 1100-bed dedicated COVID-19 facility at Sassoon General Hospital in Pune and donated medicines worth INR 22.34 lakhs. The company's employees in Aurangabad, Mumbai and Pune supported by the labor unions in Pune and Aurangabad also contributed a day's salary to raise over INR 1.2 crore to fund 15 full featured ventilators, monitors and PPE kits to Covid facilities in Aurangabad, Pune and Mumbai. Furthermore, ŠAVWIPL also produced and donated over 15,000 reusable Face Shields to hospitals in Aurangabad, Pune, Latur and Beed. The company also produced Automatic AMBU Bags, Intubation boxes and 3D printed retro fitted filtered Oxygen Masks to aid healthcare providers treating Covid-19 patients.

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**ŠAVWIPL provides its Mobile Health Clinic for rural communities**

Dr. Jayshree Mahajan receiving the mobile health clinic from Mr. Gurpratap Boparai at the ŠAVWIPL corporate headquarters in Pune.

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- › SAVWIPL has been formed following the merger of Volkswagen India Private Limited (VWIPL), ŠKODA AUTO India Private Limited (SAIPL), and Volkswagen Group Sales India Private Limited (NSC).
- › The combined entity oversees the business operations of five brands – ŠKODA, Volkswagen, Audi, Porsche and Lamborghini – in India
- › SAVWIPL operates two manufacturing facilities - at Chakan, Pune and Shendra, Aurangabad
- › SAVWIPL employs over 4,400 people across functions and locations in India.
- › The launch of the ŠKODA brand in India in 2001 heralded the entry of the Volkswagen Group into the country
- › Volkswagen and Audi made their India debut in 2007 while Porsche and Lamborghini followed in 2012
- › SAVWIPL is committed to India and will continue to serve Indian customers with an array of desirable, high quality automobiles that reflect the needs of the Indian customer and their aspirations
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