

LAUNCH OF PROJECT SUNRISE IN GULBARGA

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Amway to the aid of Nandagokula

GULBARGA: Amway Opportunity Foundation, a social responsibility and charity wing of the well known corporate house Amway, has come to the aid of the Nandagokula, an orphanage run by the Vivekananda Kushtha Seva Samithi here with an intention of upbringing the inmates in their education and health.

At a simple but impressive function held at Nandagokula, on the Udnoor Road adjacent to the Ring Road, here on Tuesday, the AOF signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the Nandagokula and handed over a cheque for Rs 1.21 lakh which will take care of the school fee, uniforms, note books and tuition fee of 16 children studying in different classes and also reimburse medical expenses to the tune of Rs 5,000.

Amway Vice President Pankaj Vassal told *Deccan Herald* that his company had chosen Nandagokula on the insistence of the independent media and also on the people's goodwill it enjoyed in running the service project. He said that the AOF will render a financial assistance of Rs 1.21 lakh renewable every year for a period of three years.



Women & Children Development Deputy Director Ratna Kalamdani handing over a cheque for Rs.1.21 lakh given by the Amway Opportunity Foundation in Gulbarga on Tuesday.

Amway Karnataka Area manager Sandeep Prakash said that it was a unique opportunity for the company to associate with Nandagokula and promised that it will continue its association on a routine and regular basis. He disclosed that a painting competition for children will be held at Nandagokula on March 7.

Receiving the cheque Nandagokula Secretary R V Nadagouda said that even amidst accusation of society getting rotten there are good people and institutions which always appreciated good deeds. He said Vivekananda Kushtha Seva Samithi apart from run-

ning the Nandagokula has been running the Datta Bal Sevasharma at Deval Ghanagapur where healthy children of leprosy patients are comprehensively rehabilitated from the last 25 years.

Appreciating the Amway for joining hands with the most credible organisation Nandagokula Deputy Director of Women Children Development Ratna Kalamdani invited the company to partner with her department in the task of nutrition supplement to deprived children, improving the pre-school conditions, women welfare schemes, and the like in the district.