## <u>MCL sanctions CSR funds for renovation of school for Intellectually Impaired at Sambalpur</u> (20-03-2020)

MCL is funding 50 lakh under its CSR for refurbishment of VSS Institute for Intellectually Impaired at Dhankauda, Sambalpur. Under the sanctioned scheme, old tin roof will be replaced by RCC roof besides constructing toilets, bathrooms, replacing old doors and other revamping works.

The Institute functioning since 1994 is a unique Special School for children suffering from mentally disorders like palsy and autism. The institute functions with the noble objective of rehabilitation and integration of children into the mainstream society. The programs imparted include therapeutic services- physio, speech and occupational, special education, activity based learning, meeting educational needs at individual level, special one-to-one development for paralysis and autism skill development and vocational training.

The project will benefit 237 Divyang children, mostly from economically weaker sections, in achieving self-sufficiency and breaking the vicious trap of underdevelopment.

It may be noted that MCL is investing heavily towards well being of differently abled. destitute children and elderly people. Project of establishment of Old Age Home in Sambalpur district is underway. Other approved projects in Sambalpur district include expansion of Specialised Adoption Centre at Chahachapalli and Infrastructural augmentation of Child Care Institute at Dhankauda.