**Disability Certificate & Aids Distribution Camp under organized by Tata Steel Mining in association with Tata Steel Foundation under SABAL initiative**

Under the SABAL initiative at Sukinda Chromite Mine of Tata Steel Mining Limited, a Disability Certificate & Aids Distribution Camp was organized on Sunday. Disability Certificate was distributed to 65 PWD’s (Locomotor Disability – 47, Hearing Impairment/Speech Impairment – 10, Cerebral Palsy – 03, Visual Impairment – 03, autism spectrum disorder – 01, Intellectual Disability – 01) from the Sukinda region.

Aids & Appliances Distribution was done in collaboration With SV Nirtar to 34 PWD’s and 42 PWD’s in the Sukinda and Kalinganagar region respectively (Tricycle – 34, Adult Wheelchair – 08, Child Wheelchair – 02, Axillary Crutch (Size – 40) – 18 (9pairs), Axillary Crutch (Size – 39) – 12 (6pairs), Walking Stick – 02, Hearing Aid – 48 (24pairs)).

The distribution was done on the basis two days Disability Assessment Camp for Aids & Appliances in collaboration of SV NIRTAR, Cuttack earlier in August 2022.

Er Pritiranjan Gharai, Hon'ble Minister of Skill Development, Technical Education and Rural Development, Dr. Shibasish, CDMO Jajpur, Shri Sanyasi Behera, Undersecretary SSEPD attended the event along with Shri Pankaj Satija, Managing Director, Tata Steel Mining Limited.

Speaking on the occasion, Er Pritiranjan Gharai, said “Creating an environment of being inclusive, ensuring dignity and creating empathetic relations is important for the Person with Disability ~~specially abled~~ . I am happy that SABAL is promoting this philosophy”.

Speaking on the occasion, Shri Pankaj Satija, said “More than 2% of our population lives with certain kind of disability.Identification, Certification and Saturation has been one of the main objectives of SABAL. Today’s distribution of Certificates and Aids was in line with this objective and was done after a systematic assessment done earlier” .

Minister also visited and interacted with the students and the faculty of a computer training program for the visually impaired, running at the SABAL initiative with the support of Enable India. Presently 12 students are being provided computer training under the initiative and the training programme ~~course~~ will be completing next month.