Report on the visit to Mirzaguda, a proposed village for adoption under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan by IGNOU, Regional Centre, Hyderabad

A team of Academics, Dr K. Ramesh, Deputy Director and Dr. Raju Bolla, ARD made a maiden visit on 14/11/2018 to Mirzaguda village, Shankarpally mandal, Ranga Reddy district, Telangana State to:

- 1. Asses the village profile such as socio-economic status of the people
- 2. Educational background of Rural masses
- 3. Interact with the peoples' representatives at village level such as: Sarpanch, Ward members, MPTC
- 4. Understand the need and necessities of the villagers that requires the attention

The village Mirzaguda is 26 Kilometers away from the IGNOU, Regional Centre, Madhapur. The village is situated fairly away from the Hyderabad city and located interior with village look and appearance in its physical infrastructure. The village is bustling with Real estate business.

The team deputed from IGNOU met and interacted with the outgoing Village **Sarpanch**(since he has finished his tenure) Mr. Sanjeev Yadav. Mr. Yadav expressed his happiness and readiness to cooperate, assist, and associate Regional Centre in planning, executing the programmes/activities in Mirzaguda Village. Further the IGNOU team met the ward member, the SC community people and enquired about the requirement that can be extended by the IGNOU. The Team also met **Anganwadi** teacher and Secondary grade Teacher in Primary School.

Finally the Team interacted with the *Karobar* of Village Gram Panchayat and enquired about ongoing activities and developmental activities of the village. Since the Telangana State Assembly elections are around (7th December 2018) we have been advised to plan to conduct *Grama Sabha* during 2-3 week of December 2018.

The team also met the village youth and enquired about the educational and skills requirement and noted their expressions.

All concerned have been informed that the IGNOU team would again visit Mirza Guda Village in due course after consultations with the district authorities and local officials concerned.

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