**Impressions of 33 Chinna Shodha Yatra**

Hi, I'm Praneeth.

Here are my impressions of 33 CSY.

It was a great experience being to CSY, had amazing time with lot's of learning and kind of enlightening too...

1. It was a nice opportunity being with likeminded individuals who were there for a larger cause to involve in meaningful impactful works, it was a great opportunity to interact, share and learn from few of them.

2. Being in villages with villagers and innovators for 3 days was a great experience because of it's purity, connectedness and magnitudeness in nature.

3. Walking through different villages every day for many kilometers a day and interacting with villagers was a great exposure, learnt a lot about life of villagers, their purity & ability, it was a paradigm shift for me on seeing life in a new way.

4. Villages are such a great place with abundant resources and possibilities. Villagers have great untapped potential within themselves that can be kept into a proper use by right direction, support and encouragement.

5. Had a nice opportunity to meet few innovators who came up with solutions to address the issues they face in everyday life and for the greater good of the society on the whole, and few of these innovators were even awarded highest ranked presidential awards, I'm humbled in meeting them.

6. All these rural innovators are so selfless in contributing for the greater good of everyone, even though they were facing many financial and system related issues they are so persistent and resilient in achieving their goals in what they believe upon and not getting diverted from their core values. Their continuous focus was on how to be of use to everyone and in the process came up with right solutions.

7. I was really inspired by how the innovators like Chandrashekhar garu and Gurumurthy garu are so resilient in fighting against the system & issues, and still being to come up with solutions, I'm inspired by their being.

8. My heartfelt thanks to Brigadier sir for the selfless human being and for the visionary he is, that he without expecting anything for his personal benefit founded Palle Srujana to discover Innovators at the grassroots level in the villages, supporting them in every aspect and being as a guiding force to the rural innovators. If situation arises which is very common he even goes to the next level of interacting with governments & administrators to make sure that rural innovators are getting benefitted & supported and are in a right direction. He really is a inspirational figure.

9. These rural innovators are having few issues in marketing their products due to various reasons. To make them commercially viable we all who are upon same values and beliefs can do our bit by making sure their products are being marketed in a right way, in the process as they would be supported enough the Innovators can focus on their innovations and come up with some more new innovations.

10. I thank Anji Reddy sir for his in-depth guidance during the Yatra. And I also thank the operations team for putting their efforts in making CSY a great success, I had a comfortable time during the Yatra with good basic needs and nice food, thank you for that.

11. Villages have abundant resources with great potential, skills & abilities. Even though the villagers are the actual producers in terms of producing products like food & textiles through farming and other products as well, they aren't getting benefitted financially and they are still facing lot of issues due to the exploitation from middlemen, I feel through right system based approach through collaborations between like-minded & ethical individuals a new way of ethical, fair practices economy can be created through win-win approach benefitting everyone involved.

12. Personally this Yatra was a amazing journey for me through inner search, observing and connecting to the nature in the villages and deeper level interaction with rural villagers and Innovators.

Warm regards,
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