**Impressions of 38th Chinna Shodha Yatra**

**MVS Prasad**

My longest and finest walk-through villages during CSY-38 was soaked in the serenity of Nature, splendour of villages, warmth of the villagers, virtues of the innovators and the spirit of my co-yatris.

Pushed out of comfort zone I found my agility. In the silent walk surrounded by pitch darkness I heard the nuances of my soul. Compulsiveness of my mind gave way to consciousness. What was hazy for long looked crystal clear. I got what I sought.

I am indeed inspired by Brigadier’s indomitable will, Gandhian values, inclusive vision, infectious energy and high discipline.

The core objectives of connecting villages, discovering marvels, promoting innovators, building village entrepreneurs and contributing to the cause of self-sufficiency are pursued with all the vigour and rigor by committed volunteers under astute leader like Brigadier. Bliss of sacrifice was palpable in the smiles of the volunteers.

Amazing to come across an institution with a principle that

“ Chepa Patti Iste Manishi Chaste Maradu.

Nivu Patti Nerpi Chudu Vadu Bagu Padatadu “

Our interaction with the school children ( Nikhila was the star ), the oldest man, the oldest desi doctor, farmers, women and vendors were truly insightful. Their pleasant interface with strangers like us and the humbleness of the innovators devoid of self-significance are worthy of putting in practice. The challenges of the innovators in marketing their products as narrated by Brigadier need to be resolved by us.

I look forward to taking part in future yatras.

Wishing Palle Srujana and everyone associated with it an inclusive progress.

With love

MVS