## CHITRADURGA ZILLA PANCHAYAT EQUIPPED WITH LATEST CONFERENCING SOLUTION FROM STUDIOMASTER PROFESSIONAL

Karnataka: Also known as the 'stone fortress', Chitradurga is a town in the Southern part of the state of Karnataka in the heart of the Deccan Plateau. The district headquarters town, Chitradurga owes its name to 'Chitrakaladurga,' or 'picturesque castle'. This is a massive fortress on top of granite hills that rises dramatically from the ground. Its history dates way back to the third millennium B.C, when it was a part of the Mauryan Empire as well as a part of royal dynasties like the Rashtrakutas, Chalukyas and Hovsalas.

Recently, the Chitradurga Zilla Panchayat had a requirement of an integrated conference system that would provide them with complete conferencing solutions for their newly constructed meeting hall. The management of the Zilla Panchayat got in talks with several consultants and system integrators for the project. And after several rounds of discussions and a series of meetings with them, the management decided to hand over the project to Sri Raghavendra Music Center, which is also located in Chitradurga and Mecotronics from Banglore, who together installed the system.

Speaking more about the project, a representative from Sri Raghavendra Music Center says, "We along with a team from Mecotronics had a series of meetings with the management, both technical and non technical. We also gave them a live demonstration of the VAK system by Studiomaster Professional, which we wanted to install. The management was quite happy with the final output of the system and decided to hand us the project."

As for the system installed, a representative of Mecotronics mentions, "Studiomaster Professional is one of the most reliable brand in the market & is well backed up with



A still of the newly integrated Chitradurga Zilla Panchayat Meeting Hall

after sales support. I've done quite a few installations of other Studiomaster Professional products and they do not disappoint. The Studiomaster Professional VAK system is one of the best conferencing systems I've come across. It is a fully automatic & voice operated conference system consisting of 3 integral components - Vak 10.s (System Controller Unit), Vak 10.c (Chairman Unit) and the Vak 10.d (Delegate Unit). Both, the chairman & delegate units, boasts high quality Panasonic microphones capsules with LED indicators, built-in speakers with level control, 2 x 3.5mm headphone output, talk & priority switch, all housed in a stain resistant elegant rubber coated body. The system can support a maximum of 160 delegate units. The connectivity between units & the controller unit is by simple 8-Pin DIN connector. The controller unit integrates state-of-the-art DSP with high quality hardware and has essential conferencing features like adjustable NOM (Number of Open Mics), FIFO/LIFO, Voice activation, Auto & Times based switching, output levels setting etc. The intelligent

algorithm & DSP processing of the unit makes installing the system guick, easy & intuitive. Also, the operation switches in combination with the LCD display enables quick customization for the requirements of the more complex applications. All in all, the VAK system fit the bill perfectly for this project."

The meeting hall currently has 100 delegate units installed along with one system unit and one chairman unit. Since the hall was newly built and no other system was installed before, the install team didn't face many challenges except from the occasional power cuts. Feedback from the management at the Chitradurga Zilla Panchayat affirms that they are very happy & satisfied with the quality of the system & sound re-enforcement over all. "The new system is very efficient and reliable. We've used it for a couple of our meetings and it works absolutely perfect. I would like to thank the entire team of Sri Raghavendra Music Center, Mecotronics and Audioplus for their support" said a management member of the Chitradurga Zilla Panchayat.



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