



Mitti Café opens at the iconic Supreme Court of India

Inaugurated by the Honourable Chief Justice of India (CJI) and visited by the Honourable President of India

We are delighted to share that our valued partner, **MITTI Social Initiatives Foundation** (MITTI), renowned for pioneering MITTI Cafés spanning corporate institutions, campuses and airports that are managed by persons with disabilities, has established its newest café on the 10th November 2023, inside the prestigious Supreme Court of India. This unprecedented initiative within the premises of the apex court, supported by the **H T Parekh Foundation** (HTPF), was graced by the inaugural presence of the **Honourable CJI Justice D.Y. Chandrachud**.



The MITTI Café at the Supreme Court (SC) holds the promise of serving approximately 10,000 visitors daily. It will be a source of livelihood and training opportunities, annually benefiting over 50 individuals with disabilities. This noble endeavour aims to enlighten society about the boundless potential within the disabled community, underlining the transformative impact of the right opportunities. The SC administration, recognizing its significance, has allocated a dedicated 400 sq. ft. space overlooking the main courthouse.

At the inaugural ceremony, the CJI expressed his hope for the legal community's support, a sentiment echoed by Attorney General R Venkataramani, who described the initiative as a "symbol of great compassion." The event featured a moving cultural performance by persons with disabilities, including a rendition of the national anthem in sign language.



Honourable President Smt. Droupadi Murmu's visit on Constitution Day (26th Nov) reinforced the message of inclusivity that resonated throughout the SC.





Over the past four years, our collaboration with MITTI has contributed to the establishment of two cafes, including one at the Supreme Court and another at Hansraj College, Delhi University. Our support encompasses initial capital expenditure and operational expenses during the crucial opening months, transitioning these cafes into self-sustaining entities generating revenue through sales.



Over and above, our support in the past also extends to MITTI Good Gifts, an online marketplace to sell handicraft items crafted by various disability-focused NGOs, and towards training programmes empowering approximately 100 persons with disabilities with essential skills for careers in hospitality, business sales and entrepreneurship.

Best Regards,

Team H T Parekh Foundation