# **Saugaht budget proposal review - 2025-6**

**Voting Statement:** INR 16,56,770 to be sent to Saugaht Foundation - Pre-Primary School The funds will be used to build a toilet, fund the water resource issue and build boundary wall.

Yes
No
Abstain

**Notes**

**Date: July 14, 2025
Attendees:** Aditi, Ramya, Srini, Charity, Parinidhi
**Project Partner:** Mr. Pandey

**Background:**

* Pre-primary school for tribal children aged 3–6, currently serving 50 children.
* Offers early education, nutrition, and medical care in a remote tribal area with no other nearby schools.
* School moved to a new building in April 2023.
* Asha SF funded road paving last year, creating a safe play space for the children.

**Overview:**

* A. Toilet construction …………………… …….….………….Rs 1,60,000 /-
* B-1. Deep Borewell ….…………………………………………..….Rs 2,59,270/-
* B-2. Submersible Solar Water Lifting Pump’ & Water Tank ….…Rs 2,49,600/-
* C. Permanent Boundary Wall Rs.9,87,900/

TOTAL PROJECT COST ………………...….……….Rs 16,56,770/- ($19,163)

**Discussion Points:**

* We discussed the urgent need for a toilet facility and the associated water management requirements. At the time, we were awaiting clarification from Mr. Pandey regarding the costs related to water infrastructure—specifically the borewell, submersible solar water-lifting pump, and water tank. This information has since been received.
* Ramya shared insights from her site visit and highlighted the importance of a boundary wall, citing safety concerns for the children.
* It was agreed that we would proceed with funding the construction of the toilet initially. Depending on the final cost of the water management infrastructure, we would then consider funding the construction of a permanent boundary wall.
* Once the funds are disbursed, work will begin in September 2025 after the monsoon season ends.
* The quotation fee for the borewell and water lifting pump are from 2023 and 2018 respectively however Mr Pandey, the project partner, has assured us that the cost will not exceed the amounts quoted.

**Action Items:** [✅] Aditi to request the finalized costs for the water management infrastructure, as well as quotations for the construction of the toilet and boundary wall.

**Additional update:**

Aditi spoke with Mr Pandey on 7.27.25 on the water management infrastructure. Jharkhand faces water shortages in the summer time. Currently there is a borewell which is not deepwater. For the summer months, Saugaht has to arrange for additional water resources.

In order to operate the toilet efficiently, Mr Pandey mentioned that they would need to construct a deep borewell which is much deeper than the existing borewell.

**Links to resources:**

1. [Estimate for building a toilet](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Qrknki9mwUDZF0gow4X0Z4kYlDhc4yFq/view?usp=drive_link)
2. [Estimate for building a boundary wall](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1AxoBSlrhSDkbvCx5UKCgK2KwrI7scOAJ/view?usp=drive_link)
3. [Estimate for Water Pump](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1QiefUSXMHbEg9gAvz3y7suy_Vm4fGbXG/view?usp=drive_link)
4. [Estimate for Deep Borewell](https://drive.google.com/file/d/17E35Hi0gINUsigZQTXZiAZ9ArZWFvaUR/view?usp=drive_link)