

Visit Report – Srujanavaani Skill Development Center and Unnati Bhavan Project

- *By Tezaswi Raja, August 20, 2026.*

I have had the opportunity to visit the Srujanavaani Skill Development Center in Waddadi, Andhra Pradesh, on two occasions—first on **June 16, 2024**, and more recently on **June 23, 2026**. These visits gave me an opportunity both to experience Srujanavaani's work with children firsthand and, subsequently, to observe the progress of the Unnati Bhavan project.

First Visit – June 16, 2024

On my first visit, I arrived at the Srujanavaani Skill Development Center to a warm welcome from the children and the Srujanavaani team. My daughter and I had the opportunity to conduct a day-long robotics training camp for children enrolled in the **Super60 program**.

The center is located in a rural compound with several structures supporting its activities. At the time, the main office building also served as the computer lab and as a training space for the children. A large shed on the property provided additional space for overflow training sessions and other activities.

For the robotics camp, we had sent LEGO robotics kits to the center ahead of our visit. During the day, we introduced the students to basic programming concepts, helped them build missions using the LEGO kits, and ultimately taught them how to program their robots to perform specific tasks.

It was a joy to watch the children learn with such enthusiasm. They picked up new concepts remarkably quickly and remained engaged and energized throughout the day. By the end of the session, they were successfully programming their robots and completing the tasks we had set for them.

What stood out most to me was their eagerness and ability to learn when given the opportunity. Despite coming from modest and often resource-constrained backgrounds, the children demonstrated that their potential is not limited by where they come from, but primarily by the opportunities available to them.

I was equally impressed by the Srujanavaani team. Their empathy, commitment, and genuine passion for supporting the children were evident throughout the day. The care with which they worked with the students left a lasting impression on me.

I came away from that visit wanting to help Srujanavaani expand and amplify its efforts.

Supporting the Unnati Bhavan Project

Following my first visit, I became a strong supporter of Srujanavaani's **Unnati Bhavan** project.

The vision for Unnati Bhavan is to create a permanent facility that can serve as a dedicated training center while also providing temporary residential accommodation for longer-duration camps and programs. Such a facility would significantly expand Srujanavaani's ability to conduct educational and skill-development programs for children from surrounding communities.

I have been fortunate to be able to help kick-start the Unnati Bhavan project through funding released via ****Spoorthy**** in December 2024 and again through ****Asha for Education**** in December 2025.

Since then, I have remained in regular contact with the Srujanavaani team and have received updates as the building project has progressed.

Second Visit – June 23, 2026

During a recent visit to India, I had the opportunity to return to the Srujanavaani facility on **June 23, 2026** and see the progress firsthand.

There had been significant visible development since my previous visit.

A new boundary wall had been constructed around the property, providing a secure perimeter for the facility. The large shed that had previously served as an overflow training hall had been demolished, and the surrounding ground had been cleared and leveled in preparation for construction.

I could also see structural pillars installed at the Unnati Bhavan site, along with substantial site preparation work, including what appeared to be new soil and grading to level the building footprint and surrounding areas.

The original office building remains operational and continues to serve as the training space for Srujanavaani's ongoing programs while construction progresses.

During this visit, I met with **Sri K Gyani Garu**, who serves as the local guardian and oversees the project. He walked me through the site, explained the construction progress, and also shared updates about the latest programs and activities being conducted for the children.

Unfortunately, I was unable to meet the students or other instructors during this visit, as there were no active classes taking place that day.

Overall Assessment

Based on both my direct observations and the regular updates I have received, I am confident that the Srujanavaani team has been diligent and responsible in its use of the funds provided toward the Unnati Bhavan project.

The progress visible during my June 2026 visit was consistent with the updates that had been shared with me throughout the construction process. I have also found the team to be transparent in communicating both the progress of the project and the work that remains to be completed.

My first experience with the children demonstrated to me the tremendous potential that Srujanavaani is helping unlock. My second visit reinforced my belief that the Unnati Bhavan facility can provide an important foundation for expanding that impact.

I look forward to seeing Unnati Bhavan completed and fully operational. The project has made meaningful progress, and continued support will be important in helping Srujanavaani bring the vision to completion and create a lasting resource for the children and communities it serves.

I have attached a few photographs from both of my visits to provide additional context on the programs and the progress of the facility. I would be happy to answer any questions regarding my observations or experience with the project.

Photos from First visit: Jun 16th 2024

Teaching programming concepts in the outdoor area(Notice the shed in the background)



Kids learning mock robot exercises inside the shed:



A large group of students and teachers posing for a group photo in a school hall. The students are arranged in several rows, with some sitting on the floor in the front. A banner in the background reads 'SPORTS' and 'SARVODAYA'.

Kids programming the robots to complete missions:



Us with Super60 kids after the successful Robotics Camp



Photos from Second Visit: June 23 2026:

Showing Shed demolished and area cleared for Unnathi Bhavan.



Pillars installed for Unnathi Bhavan.

Meeting with Sri Gyani Garu at the site

