

## **Funding Request and Proposal for Vidyodaya for the year 2015.**

The following letter is the request made by Vidyodaya to Asha Colorado for funds to support school operations in the year 2015. Asha Colorado voted to remit the funds in the [February meeting](#).

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Dear James

Thank you for your call. All is well here and we are managing more or less.

I know that the budget attached here will surprise you But this is the actual expenses for the items mentioned. Of course there are many other heads of expenditure that is not covered but these are the basic ones.

The last year we put the salaries at 4600/- as we had received some funding already and we used the Asha fund to make up the rest. What has been put here is the actual costs for the salaries of the 10 teachers. We now have children coming from Devala also. they come by an auto rickshaw and this is not safe as they cover 15 kms. So we may have to hire a jeep for them this year in addition to 2 from Srimadurai. So we have budgeted for altogether 3 jeeps. We do have many other costs in the school like Non-teaching staff salaries, teaching materials, exposure visit, games materials. children's nutrition and so on but the only additional one that we put in is for Craft.

It is now clear that the Tatas are not going to fund the school at all even if they do fund the field programmes. Even that seems a little unsure. This is why we have put across the full expense

I do hope that Asha will be able to support most of this if not all of it. If we do receive funding under any of these heads in the course of the year we will inform you.

Maya, Thulasi, and five other girls came to Bangalore to attend an entrance exam and interview at the Azim Premji University for the undergraduate course. This is a new university and they have designed the course very differently, not the usual stupid way the other universities have done. The Azim Premji Foundation concentrates on education in India and is a very good one. You can see it online. We have a lot of friends there and a number of their faculty have visited us in the past and we have also given talks there. They will give free accommodation and education for the undergraduates that we have sent if they clear the exam. We are waiting anxiously.

yours  
ramdas

### **REVISED BUDGET PROPOSAL TO ASHA COLORADO**

Line Item	Months	Amount/ month	TOTAL
Children – travel from Sri madurai & Devala – 3 jeeps @ 500/- per day per jeep x 25 days per month	11	37500	412500
Salary of teachers – 10 persons @ 6900/=	12	69000	828000
Craft materials for children	11	2000	22000
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>1262500</b>