



An Appeal for Urgent Support for Adivasis in Satpuda...

We urgently need support to establish schools in the remote areas of Dhadgaon taluka in Nandurbar district & Shirpur Taluka in Dhule district, in the Satpuda hills along the Narmada River. These areas lack many basic facilities such as roads, electricity, drinking water, mobile network and schools. As a result, **thousands of children (boys and girls) are currently out of school and deprived of basic education.**

To provide education to these children, the **Young Foundation** has started learning centres in eight tribal hamlets. At these schools, children are introduced to **numbers and letters, songs, stories, games, and basic learning activities.** The objective is to prepare them mentally and educationally so that they can eventually join one of the few government-run residential tribal schools (*Ashram Schools*) near taluka places.

These schools (Nisarg Sanwad Schools) are being run with the support and participation of local communities, and **around 550 children are currently studying at these centres.**

People from the surrounding communities are now requesting that such schools be started in **ten more tribal hamlets.** This would enable **another 500 children** to receive education.

To make this possible, we urgently need support in the following areas:

1. Bamboo School Structures

Support is required to construct simple **bamboo school structures** where children can find safe & well-equipped space in the lap of nature.

2. Support for Gram Vikas Fellows (Emergency Need)

Local youth are appointed as **Gram Vikas Fellows** to teach and support the children. They receive a monthly honorarium of approximately **₹7,000–₹8,000.** Annual cost of operations for each school is around **₹ 80,000.**

We need support to provide honorariums for **ten fellows for three years,** enabling them to continue teaching in these remote communities.

3. Educational and Essential Supplies

The children need basic educational and personal-use materials, including:

- School bags
- Slates
- Notebooks
- Clothes
- Footwear
- Toys and learning materials
- Other essential educational supplies

4. Solar Power and Computer/ Printer Facilities

There is no electricity in these areas. Currently, people have to travel nearly **100 km just to get documents photocopied**.

We therefore need support to install **solar inverters and computer-printer facilities in eight hamlets**, enabling basic educational and administrative work locally.

5. Drinking Water Facilities

Drinking water has to be brought from distant locations, sometimes using **donkeys to transport it**.

We need support to install **solar-powered pumps and water storage tanks** in the school premises of **eight hamlets**, providing children with access to safe and accessible drinking water.

A Humble Appeal

We sincerely appeal to all concerned and compassionate individuals to contribute whatever they can towards the education of **hundreds of children living in these tribal hamlets**.

Those who are able are also warmly encouraged to **visit the Satpuda region and experience the ground reality for themselves**.

How you can help?

- Support a school for year: ₹ 80,000
- Build new Bamboo School: ₹ 1,00,000 - ₹ 1,25,000
- Support a fellow for year: ₹1,00,000

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