



# Shantiniketan High School, Zankhvav, Gujarat

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## Rainwater Harvesting, Terrain-Based Recharge Assessment Solar Installation, Carbon Sequestration Study



### 1 RAINWATER HARVESTING ANALYSIS

#### RWH Formula:

$$RWH = P \times A \times C$$

Where:

- **P** = Mean annual rainfall (in meters)
- **A** = Surface area (m<sup>2</sup>)
- **C** = Runoff coefficient

#### Runoff Coefficients:

- Rooftop: **0.875**
- Paved: **0.7**
- Unpaved: **0.6**
- Green: *(Excluded from RWH, used for carbon sequestration only)*



## Data Considered:

- **Rainfall Data (CHIRPS - Last Three Years):**

Year	Rainfall (mm)	Rainfall (m)
2024	1474.65	1.4747
2023	941.16	0.9412
2022	1255.48	1.2555

- **Mean Annual Rainfall (P) =  $(1.4747 + 0.9412 + 1.2555) / 3 = 1.2238$  m/year**

- **Surface Area Data:**

Surface Type	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Runoff Coefficient
Roof	1,655.97	0.875
Paved	2,354.83	0.7
Unpaved	8,714.64	0.6
Green	29,667.41	<i>(Excluded)</i>

## RWH Calculations:

- **RWH (Roof) =  $1.2238 \times 1,655.97 \times 0.875 = 1,776.90$  m<sup>3</sup>**
- **RWH (Paved) =  $1.2238 \times 2,354.83 \times 0.7 = 2,014.93$  m<sup>3</sup>**
- **RWH (Unpaved) =  $1.2238 \times 8,714.64 \times 0.6 = 6,398.10$  m<sup>3</sup>**

## Total Annual Harvestable Rainwater

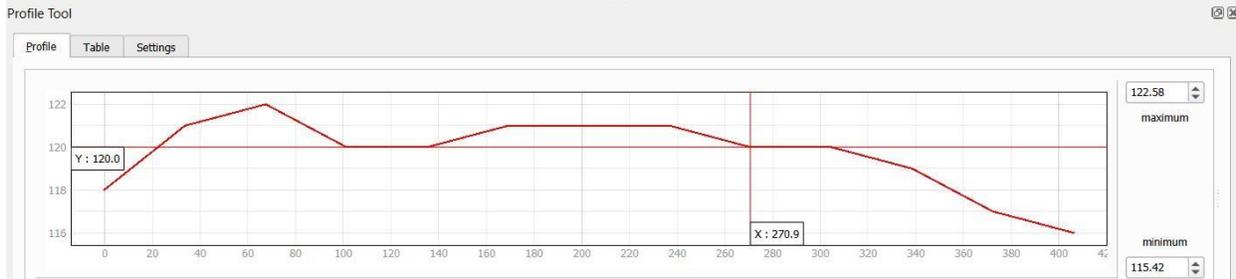
**Total RWH =  $1,776.90 + 2,014.93 + 6,398.10 = 10,189.93$  m<sup>3</sup>/year = 10,189,930 liters/year**

## TERRAIN PROFILE ANALYSIS

### Profile 1: North–South

**Elevation Range: 115.42 m to 122.58 m → Relief: ~7.16 m**

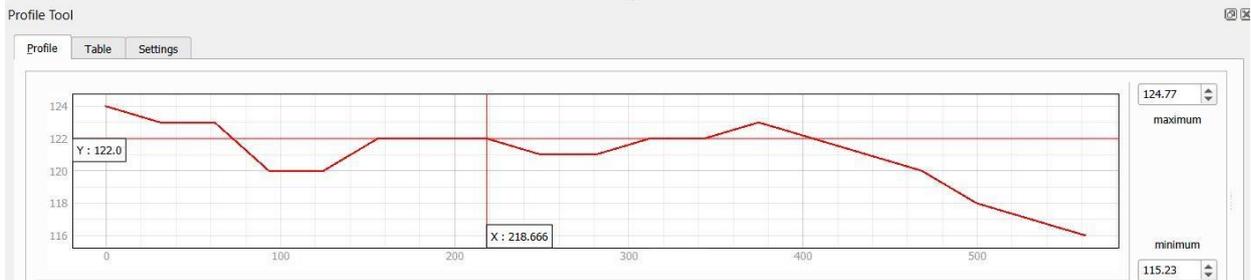
- **Slope Pattern:** Gentle decline from north to south
- **Drainage Implication:** Runoff expected toward southern boundary; ideal for recharge interventions at south periphery



## Profile 2: East–West

Elevation Range: 115.23 m to 124.77 m → Relief: ~9.54 m

- **Slope Pattern:** Prominent drop toward western edge
- **Drainage Implication:** Rainwater likely moves westward; suggests trenching/storage units along western border



## RECOMMENDATIONS: STORAGE & RECHARGE ZONES

- Prioritize **southern and western edges** for recharge pits and tanks
- Use **vegetated swales and bio-retention areas** in low-lying zones
- Add **eco-awareness signage** near green areas
- Explore **permeable paving** in key paved zones for infiltration support

## 2 POTENTIAL OF RWH WATER THAT CAN BE USED FOR TOILET FLUSHING, GARDENING, TREES

- Rain Water Harvesting Potential: 10,189.93 m<sup>3</sup>/year
- If RWH water is used *for toilet flushing* then the number of students whose flushing needs can be met in a year is: 3,859
- If RWH water is used *for Gardening* then the garden area that can be supported annually is : 5,583 m<sup>2</sup>
- If RWH water is used for watering of trees, then the number of trees that can be irrigated annually is: 1,698



**Formulas (with planning assumptions) :**

**Number of students who can flush for the school year :**

Assumptions: 220 school days, 6 L per flush, 2 flushes per student per day

Supported Flushing = RWH (L) / (6 L/flush × 2 flushes/student/day × 220 days)

**Garden area watering supported annually :**

Assumption: 5 L/m<sup>2</sup>/day year-round (365 days)

Garden Area = RWH (L) / (5 L/m<sup>2</sup>/day × 365 days)

**Number of trees watering supported in the dry season :**

Assumptions: 50 L/tree/day, dry season = 120 days

Trees Supported = RWH (L) / (50 L/tree/day × 120 days)

**Notes:**

Unit equivalence used: **1 m<sup>3</sup> = 1 kL = 1,000 liters.**

If a school uses low-flow fixtures (e.g., 4 L/flush), swap **6** with **4** in the formula to show a conservative/efficient scenario.

**References:**

**Flush volume (6 L/flush baseline):** WHO/UNICEF Joint Monitoring Programme (JMP) documentation and sector guidance indicate typical modern cistern volumes of **~6 L/flush** (with dual-flush/low-flow options ~3–4.5 L).

**Garden water demand (5 L/m<sup>2</sup>/day):** Based on FAO irrigation planning practice using crop evapotranspiration (ET<sub>c</sub>). FAO Irrigation & Drainage Paper 56 (Allen et al.) gives the ET<sub>c</sub> methodology.

**Tree water need (50 L/tree/day):** Practical planning baseline used in municipal/urban forestry guidance for **medium-sized** trees under warm conditions. This aligns with typical dry-season irrigation allowances derived from canopy size and ET; it's an assumption you can scale by species/size if schools provide

### 3 CARBON SEQUESTRATION POTENTIAL (GREEN ZONE)

- Total Green Area = 29,667.41 m<sup>2</sup>
- IPCC Standard Rate = 0.9 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/m<sup>2</sup>/year
- Estimated Annual CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestration = 29,667.41 × 0.9 = 26,700.67 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/year = 26.70 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>/year

### 4 SOLAR INSTALLATION

- Refer to : <https://ecosjwestzone.org/solar-dashboard/> for Province/School information.
- Installed On Grid kW Capacity (shown as Hostel Zankhvav) : 29 kW
- Installed Off Grid kW Capacity : 0
- Zero Bill Status: Not clear



## 5 Legend

- RWH: Rain Water Harvesting
- CHIRPS: Climate Hazards Group InfraRed Precipitation with Station data ( It is a quasi-global dataset that blends satellite infrared imagery with ground-based rain gauge observations.)
- IPCC: Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (a United Nations body that assesses the science related to climate change, its causes, impacts, and possible solutions.)
- Carbon Sequestration: the process of capturing carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) from the atmosphere and storing it long-term in reservoirs like oceans, soil, trees. For the report the Trees/Greenery area in the school is considered.