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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 (m²)
- **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 | 1203.10 | 1.2031 |
| 2023 | 749.62 | 0.7496 |
| 2022 | 1082.62 | 1.0826 |

- **Mean Annual Rainfall (P) = $(1.2031 + 0.7496 + 1.0826) / 3 = 1.0118$ m/year**

- **Surface Area Data**

| Surface Type | Area (m ²) | Runoff Coefficient |
|--------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| Roof | 4,588.04 | 0.875 |
| Paved | 1,917.54 | 0.7 |
| Unpaved | 14,020.34 | 0.6 |
| Green | 9,868.73 | — (excluded) |

RWH Calculations

- **RWH (Roof) = $1.0118 \times 4,588.04 \times 0.875 = 4,055.87$ m³**
- **RWH (Paved) = $1.0118 \times 1,917.54 \times 0.7 = 1,357.77$ m³**
- **RWH (Unpaved) = $1.0118 \times 14,020.34 \times 0.6 = 8,510.15$ m³**

Total Annual Harvestable Rainwater = $4,055.87 + 1,357.77 + 8,510.15 = 13,929.79$ m³ = 13,323,790 liters/year

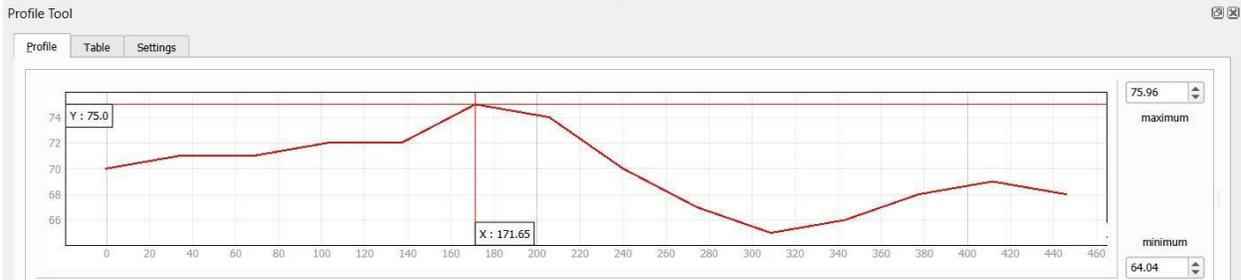
TERRAIN PROFILE ANALYSIS

Profile 1: North–South

- **Elevation Range: 64.04 m – 75.96 m → Relief: ~11.62 m**

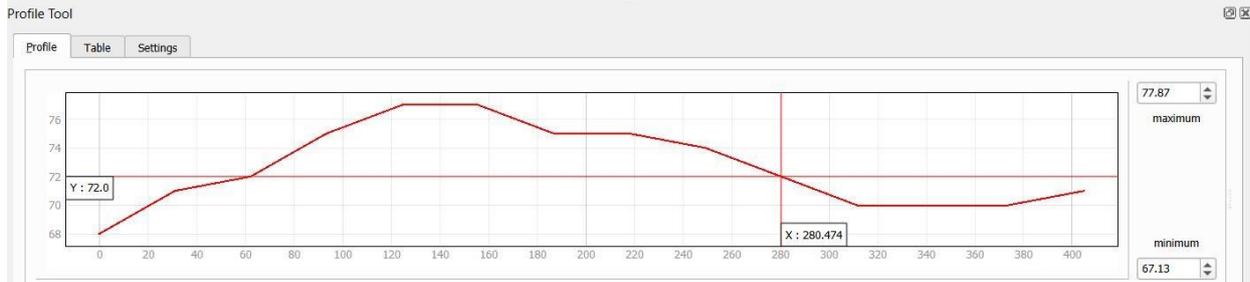


- **Slope Pattern:** General rise from south to center; drop near north
- **Drainage Implication:** Recharge interventions should target southern and northern ends



Profile 2: East–West

- **Elevation Range:** 67.13 m – 77.87 m → **Relief:** ~10.74 m
- **Slope Pattern:** Slight central high point; runoff moves both east and west
- **Drainage Implication:** Opportunity for trench placement at both flanks



RECOMMENDATIONS: STORAGE & RECHARGE ZONES

- Prioritize **southern and northern boundaries** for recharge structures
- Consider **double-sided recharge** to handle bi-directional terrain slope
- Explore **roofwater collection tanks and underground recharge pits**
- Use **green zones** for biodiversity education and carbon offset signage

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

- Rain Water Harvesting Potential: 13,923.79 m³/year
- If RWH water is used *for toilet flushing* then the number of students whose flushing needs can be met in a year is: 5,274
- If RWH water is used *for Gardening* then the garden area that can be supported annually is : 7,629 m²
- If RWH water is used for watering of trees, then the number of trees that can be irrigated annually is: 2,320



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/m²/day year-round (365 days)

Garden Area = RWH (L) / (5 L/m²/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 m³ = 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/m²/day): Based on FAO irrigation planning practice using crop evapotranspiration (ET_c). FAO Irrigation & Drainage Paper 56 (Allen et al.) gives the ET_c 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

- Total Green Area = 9,868.73 m²
- IPCC standard sequestration rate = 0.9 kg CO₂/m²/year
- Estimated Annual CO₂ Sequestration =
9,868.73 × 0.9 = **8,881.86 kg/year = 8.88 metric tons CO₂/year**

4 SOLAR INSTALLATION

- Refer to : <https://ecosjwestzone.org/solar-dashboard/> for Province/School information.
- Installed On Grid kW Capacity : 20 kW
- Installed Off Grid kW Capacity : 7
- Installed Off Grid kW Capacity : 5
- 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 (CO₂) 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.