

Somaguddu Gram Panchayat - Challakere Taluka

Gram Panchayat Progress Report, 2023 to 2025

Somaguddu Gram Panchayat signed an MoU with Anode Governance Foundation on 12 January 2023 embarking on a journey to strengthen its institution. All Ward members jointly took this decision and are signatories to this MoU.

This Progress Report provides an overview of the status of Somaguddu Gram Panchayat across 9 key components of an effective GP, facilitated through Anode's Organisation Mapping tool. The report is based on a self assessment exercise conducted individually with each ward member, followed by a workshop with all members to collectively rate their GP. Each component is rated on a 4-point scale. The report includes actions and achievements during 2023 and 2024, as well as potential areas for improvement.

Out of 9 components, the GP has prioritised and actively focussed on 4 foundational components, viz. Identity and Vision, GP Structures, Service Delivery and Coordination between GP and Gram Sabhas. Enabled with higher participation of its members and achievements across the 4 components, the GP plans to work on other components.

The report also highlights some key actions and achievements of the Somaguddu GP in areas like Education, Health, Sanitation and Social Forestry, Infrastructure, Water, and Social Security.

Overall, the report provides a comprehensive overview of the Somaguddu Gram Panchayat's progress and areas for further development. The document contains two annexures: 1) Ward-wise service delivery ratings and 2) Thematic areas and goals prioritised by the GP.

Somaguddu GP has entered into a revised MoU with Anode Governance Foundation, to collaborate on improvements in institutional functioning and achievement of thematic goals.

Vision Statement of the GP

“Our goal for Somaguddu Gram Panchayat is to enhance the environment across all villages by implementing a robust drainage system, ensuring access to clean drinking water, and improving public health through effective sanitation practices.”

Section A: Basic information

Population	No. of Villages	No. of Wards	No. of SHGs
8950	5	11	44

GP Finances, FY 2024-25

Budget Heads	Proposed	Utilization - April December 2024
MGNREGA	₹4,79,57,000	₹59,77,890
15th Finance Commission	₹42,83,889	₹23, 55,000
State Finance Commission	Information Not available in the GP	

*Source: Gram Panchayat

Own source of Revenue - Collection as on Dec 31st 2024

Total Demand (Including arrears)	Target for 2024-25	Collection as of December 2024
₹40,09,904 (including arrears from previous years)	₹17,82,725	₹9,95,866

*Source: Panchatantra 2.0

Ward Members

Designations: PF: Panchayat Facilitator; PH: Portfolio Head; FAPSC: Finance, Audit and Planning Standing Committee; GSC: General Standing Committee; SJSC: Social Justice Standing Committee

Elected Ward Members

	Name of member	Village /wards	Designation, if any
1	R Jayalakshmi	Hiremadure	Adhyaksha, President, FAPSC
2	Savithramma	Ganjigunte	Upadhyaksha, President, GSC
3	Sathish Kumar M	Somaguddu	Member, FAPSC

4	D S Sudhamani	Somaguddu	Member, FAPSC
5	R Kantharaj	Somaguddu	Member, SJSC
6	Shivanna	Chikkamadure	Member, FAPSC
7	Parvathamma	Somaguddu	President, SJSC
8	Sruthi S	Chikkamadure	Member, SJSC
9	Indresh T	Ganjigunte	Member, GSC, Portfolio Head - Health
10	Santhosh D	Chikkamadure	Member, FAPSC
11	B M Suresh	Hiremadure	Member, GSC, Portfolio Head - Sanitation
13	Gangamma	Hiremadure	
14	Onkarappa	Ganjigunte	
15	Shilaja	Ganjigunte	Member, GSC, Panchayat Facilitator (PF)
16	Anandha T	Lambanihatty	Member, SJSC, Panchayat Facilitator (PF)
17	Gowramma	Lambanihatty	
12	Geetha S	Lambanihatty	Member, GSC
18	Ramesh D	Somaguddu	Member, SJSC

List of GP Staff

Sl.No	Name	Designation
1	P Hanumanthappa	Panchayath Development Officer
2	Prerana C B	Secretary Grade 2
3	Roopa YI	Second Division To Assistant
4	B Mallikarjuna	Bill Collector
5	Ningesh	Clerk Cum Data Entry Operator
6	Suresha S P	Water Operator

7	Govindappa S	Water Operator
8	Chethan L	Water Operator
9	S Katappa	Water Operator
10	M Ningarajappa	Water Operator
11	H Thippeswamy	Attendant

Section B: Anode Interventions across 15 GPs in Chitradurga and Challakere from 1st February 2022 to 31st January 2025

GPOD Stages	Project Activity	Actions and Achievements across 15 GPs
Stage 1: Context setting and enrolment	MoU with GP	15 GPs
	Anode Time in GBMs	176 GBMs attended
	GP Profiling	275 persons
	Panchayat Facilitators	30 PFs; 21 meetings
	MoU with RDPR	2 State and 2 District meetings
Stage 2: Diagnosis and reflection	GP Organisation Mapping	249 individual ratings, 13 group ratings
Stage 3: Design, Planning & Operationalization	Vision and Goal setting	15 GPs
	GP Standing Committees	GSC activated across 15 GPs
	Portfolio heads	30 PHs; 6 meetings
	Process Mapping	2 workshops with 16 PFs and 15 PHs; 4 Processes mapped
	Calendar for Goals	15 GPs, Calendars for 2 Goals each
	Citizen Engagement Process	133 CEPs across 30 PF wards
	Civic Action Groups	189 CAGs met across 30 PF wards
Stage 4: Handholding Implementation	Petitions	154 petitions raised, 49 resolved
	Ward wise Actions	475 Ward wise actions, across 8 themes
	Theme 1: Education	26 Schools, 11 GP - SDMC meetings
	Theme 2: Health	4 Health Camps, 7 VHSNCs
	Theme 3: Sanitation	63 villages covered, 5 SWM units functional
	Theme 4: Drinking Water	45 RO Water Filters repaired

Section D: Some Actions and Achievements of Somaguddu GP

Issues relating to disrepair of school buildings, Mid-Day Meals, compound walls, drains, streetlights etc were discussed and identified during different project steps and forums: GP Profiling, CEP and CAG meetings, PF meetings, Exposure visits, SDMC meetings and during discussions in GBMs etc.

While ensuring ownership of action was with the GP, Anode field staff provided hand holding support to ward members through a) providing nudges and reminders, 2) negotiating with key stakeholders, especially the community, 3) ensuring petitions are placed in GBMs, d) access to functionaries in department/block offices, and e) providing information of programmes and schemes, etc.

Education [LSDG: Child-Friendly Village]

Infrastructure

1. **Toilets for School in Sevalalnagara GHPS:** The construction of toilets was funded through MGNREGA (₹3 Lakhs) and the Education Department (₹2 Lakhs), benefiting 120 students.
2. **Ganjigunte GHPS:** The renovation of the school, including roof repairs and wall paintings, was discussed in the CAG meeting and GBM. Using ₹1,50,000 from the 15th FC funds, the repairs were completed for 95 students.

Library

3. On 18th November 2023, during the CEP, a demand was raised to develop a library with the help of Tanda Abhiruddi Nigama, which included ₹75,000 for books and racks.
4. The construction of the new library was completed on 3rd November 2024, near the temple, funded by community contributions.

Anganwadi

5. A surprise inspection was conducted by the ward member and Adhyaksha at the Hiremadurai Anganwadi Centre. Following this, the quality of nutrition supplements was improved to ensure only pure and high-quality supplements are used.

Health [LSDG: Healthy Village]

Eye Camp

6. **5th December 2024, Somaguddu Village:** Over 100 individuals were screened, with 44 males and 34 females receiving spectacles on the spot. This camp was conducted in collaboration with JSW Foundation and WMs.
7. **11th December 2024, Ganjigunte Village:** More than 150 individuals were

- screened, and 60 males and 63 females received spectacles.
8. **6th December 2024, Chikkamadurai Village:** Over 160 individuals were screened, with 56 males and 65 females receiving spectacles.
 9. Regular health camps are conducted through collaboration with local PHCs every three months. Ward Members (WMs) conduct follow-ups and publicize these events a day prior.

Sanitation and Social Forestry [LSDG: Clean and Green Village]

10. **Dustbin Distribution:** Initially, the GP body was reluctant, but now dustbins have been distributed to each household for Solid Waste Management (SWM) following a petition raised by the community.

Infrastructure [LSDG: Self-Sufficient Infrastructure]

11. **Water Harvesting Structures:** Trench and bunding systems were constructed in Hiremadurai and Somaguddu villages under the Jal Sanjeevani program to address recurring water shortages during summer. This initiative provided labor through MGNREGA.
12. **High-Mast Lights in Sevalalnagar:** High-mast lights were installed to enhance safety for pedestrians and motorists during nighttime, funded through 15th FC funds.

Water [LSDG: Water-Sufficient Village]

13. Somaguddu faces severe water crises during the summer months, particularly in the villages of Chikkamadurai, Hiremadurai, and Chigatanhalli.
14. Water is purchased from local farmers and distributed to these villages using tankers, funded through 15th FC tied funds.

Social Security [LSDG: Socially Secured Village]

15. **Tricycle for Lokesh:** A tricycle was provided to Lokesh as per a demand raised in the CEP, discussed in the GBM, and funded by 15th FC CSS and the rest from OSR.
16. The WM tracks eligible ward members and assists them in obtaining necessary documents and benefits. The citizens of Sevalalnagara rely on him for this support.



Action 4: Library in Sevalalnagara



Action 9: Frontline workers and GP Members planning Dengue Awareness Campaigns



Action 10: Distribution of Dustbins to households



Action 12 : High-Mast light Installed in Sevalalnagar.



Action 15: Tricycle provided to Lokesh

ANNEXURES

Annexure II: Goals against themes prioritised by the GP

Education	
Basic infrastructure	All schools in the GP to have clean drinking water
	All schools in the GP to have separate toilets with running water
Structural/ Institutional	<p>Makkala Gram sabha</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Issues raised in the previous Makkala Grama Sabha have to be tabled and discussed in the GBM 2. Makkala Gram sabha to be organised in November 2025 with representatives from all schools in the GP
	<p>School Development and Management Committees (SDMC)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. General Standing committee, led by Portfolio Head, Education, will meet SDMC of each school once a quarter 2. Issues raised in the SDMC-GSC coordination meetings will be tabled in the GBM for decision and actions
Sanitation	
Solid Waste Management (SWM)	SWM Vehicle to be made available in the GP
	<p>Calendar for SWM Vehicle Operation</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To be prepared 2. Published in the GP Office and public places
	<p>SWM Segregation centre to be set-up</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Land for SWM centre to be identified 2. Construction of the SWM building 3. Basic Facilities like toilets and water connection in SWM centre for the SWM Workers 4. Safety equipment for SWM Workers
	<p>Fees for SWM Collection</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Commercial places 2. Households <p>Fee rates to be decided and collection to be ensured</p>
	<p>Amenities for SWM workers to be ensured</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. ID Cards 2. Registers for record keeping 3. Timely payments of Honorariums 4. GPLF to be invited to GBMs for regular review of SWM work