

Pydipaka, India

Pydipaka Village, in Polavaram, West Godavari, Andhra Pradesh, India



From Rajahmundry to Pydipaka Village

Must cross the 5 mile bridge across the Godavari River then travel North along the river for about 40 km.



Pydipaka Village in 2002



*Critical water shortage in dry season
when Godavari River runs low*



Pydipaka Village in 2002

Beautiful village children



Village pump inadequate to provide well water for the entire village



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From this hill a well, pump, and water storage tanks could provide water to the village year-round



Pydipaka Village in 2002

Meeting with village leaders to discuss water project



In 2002 and 2003, Latter-day Saint Charities prepared a project request to develop a water system to help the people of Pydipaka Village. In order to gain approval for the project, a volunteer couple to oversee and develop the project was required. Due to the difficulty of obtaining visas into India it was not possible to ensure that a volunteer couple could be sent to fulfill the needed project development. Looking back, with the current Polavaram Project, it is unlikely the water system would have been allowed to continue to meet the needs of the village.

Pydipaka Village

In the 2001 census, the population of the village was 984 – by 2011 the population had increased to 1,354. As of 2019 most of the village population has been relocated due to the Polavaram Dam Project.

Pydipaka Village in 2002

The village was so kind and friendly to us in each of our visits



RamaRao's mother, Sarawathi, taught Sister Palmer how to make chapati and prepared a wonderful meal for us



*RamaRao's father invited us to meet with their congregation
in this beautiful chapel*



They sang hymns for us and we sang for them and shared a message with them





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Pydipaka Village

We will not forget the village of Pydipaka and RamaRao's family for their kindness to us, for sharing their village with us, and for the continuing friendship we enjoy with them.

Wedding Day



A time for celebration!!!!



*How blessed we are to be together as
children of a loving Heavenly Father*











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