



**NAVEGAON-NAGZIRA TIGER RESERVE
APRIL 2018**

Team:

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Highlights

- ⇒ *Joined Forest Department staff on 3 patrols*
- ⇒ *5 community assistance shramdhaans – programs to clean area next to hand pumps*
- ⇒ *5 anti-plastic programmes*
- ⇒ *4 waterholes cleaned and de-silted*
- ⇒ *Organised 4 classroom environment education programmes in which 740 students were present*
- ⇒ *Organised 6 medical camps in which 186 patients got free treatment*
- ⇒ *Organised 3 village eco-development committee (VEDC) meetings*
- ⇒ *Celebrated World Earth Day on April 22 at Adilok High School, Bolunda in which 104 students and 5 teachers were present*
- ⇒ *Assisted in fighting fires in Sarra camp and Compartment no. 109*

Conservation

Date	Village	Activity	No. of participants
02/04/2018	Comp. no. 109	Our volunteers from youth club joined Forest Dept. in day and night patrol	4
05/04/2018	Kodebarra	Our volunteers from youth club joined Forest Dept. in day and night patrol	6
09/04/2018	Comp. no. 114	Our volunteers from youth club joined Forest Dept. in day and night patrol	5
23/04/2018	Sarra camp	Assisted in fighting fire	8
28/04/2018	Comp. no. 109	Assisted in fighting fire	7
03/04/2018	Bhajepar	Programme to clean area around hand pump	7
06/04/2018	Pitezari	Programme to clean area around hand pump	6
07/04/2018	Kodebarra	Programme to clean area around hand pump	7
25/04/2018	Mangezari	Programme to clean area around hand pump	5

28/04/2018	Jindatola	Programme to clean area around hand pump and build soak pit	4
04/04/2018	Comp. no. 112	Cleaning waterhole	6
09/04/2018	Comp. no. 114	Cleaning waterhole	7
28/04/2018	Comp. no. 109	Cleaning waterhole	8
29/04/2018	Comp. no. 128	Cleaning waterhole	7
03/04/2018	Bhajepar	Anti- plastic programme	5
06/04/2018	Pitezari	Anti- plastic programme	6
07/04/2018	Kodebarra	Anti- plastic programme	5
25/04/2018	Mangezari	Anti- plastic programme	4
28/04/2018	Jindatola	Anti- plastic programme	6
05/04/2018	Thadezari	VEDC meeting	8
06/04/2018	Pitezari	VEDC meeting	7
28/04/2018	Umarzari	VEDC meeting	6

Our team organized 5 community assistance programs on April 3, 6, 7, 25 and 28 to clear areas around hand pumps at Bhajepar, Pitezari, Kodebarra, Mangezari and Jindatola. Unemployed youths from Mangezari participated in all programmes which were led by Mukund and Jivraj.

Details of the programmes are given in the table above.

Water had spilled over while people drew from the hand pumps and had stagnated, leading to proliferation of mosquitoes and insects. Our teams cleared the area, removing scum and organic growth and dug canals to drain away the water.



Volunteers clean area around hand pump and build soak pit at Jindatola

Our team joined the Forest Department in day and night patrols in Comp. no. 109, 114 and on the road linking Mangezari and Kodebarra. Besides our staff, volunteers from

a youth club at Mangezari also joined in the patrols. The youth club was set up with our assistance and is mentored by our Conservation Officer Mukund Dhurve.



Night patrol on road from Mangezari to Kodebarra



Day patrol in Comp. no. 114

During the month, our team organized 5 anti-plastic programmes to clean polythene/plastic litter from villages. The programmes were organized on April 3, 6, 7, 25 and 28 at Bhajepar, Pitezari, Kodebarra, Mangezari and Jindatola villages respectively. Mukund and Jivraj organised the programmes which were attended by villagers and village eco-development committee (VEDC) members. The plastic litter has been kept in our Mangezari office and will be sent to Tiroda for recycling.



Anti plastic programme at Pitezari

The Government of Maharashtra has issued the buffer zone notification for the Navegaon-Nagzira Tiger Reserve. Following this, doubts have sprung up in the minds of villagers as to how they will be affected by the notification. Due to the doubts, some villagers are opposing the notification. To clear these doubts and misgivings, we organised 3 awareness programmes during April in Thadezari, Pitezari and Umarzari.

On April 22, World Earth Day, we organised a programme at Adilok High School, Bolunda in which Mukund Dhurve spoke to the students about bio-diversity conservation.

During the month, our team assisted in fighting fires in the forest near Sarra camp and comp. no. 109.

Education

There were 4 education programmes in April which were attended by 740 students.

Sr. no.	Date	Village	Events	No. of Participants
1	07/04/2018	ZPPS, Bolunda	Collection of seeds	127
2	08/04/2018	Ashram school, Koilari	Collection of seeds	107
3	09/04/2018	GES high school, Kuradi	Collection of seeds	293
4	22/04/2018	Adilok high school, Bolunda	Collection of seeds	213
			Total	740

Employment Cell activities

We helped 4 villagers in getting jobs during April.

S. no	Village	Name	Age	Educational Qualification	Job	Salary (monthly, in rupees)
1	Asalpani	Ashok Maraskolhe	48	10 th	Van majoor	6200/-
2	Asalpani	Bhumeswar Tekam	37	10 th	Van majoor	6200/-
3	Asalpani	Kaju Koram	39	10 th	Fire watcher	6200/-
4	Balapur	Sachin Premlal Ambadare		12 th	Fire watcher	6200/-

Employment Cell Training activities

During April, we organised 2 programmes to train members of women's SHGs in making candles. This will help them earn additional income and reduce their dependence on forests.

The first programme was at Mangezari and the second at Jindatola. Details are given below:

Mangezari programme:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Qualification</i>
1. Anusaya Sehsaram Kumbhre	10 th
2. Asha Ravindra Sarate	12 th
3. Parwata Haridas Chakate	8 th
4. Dwarka Devdas Chakate	8 th

5. Sima Salim Dhurve	12 th
6. Shasikala Devchand Katllam	10 th
7. Ratna Lalchand Meshram	10 th
8. Chanda Likhiram Maraskolhe	10 th
9. Durga Vijay Kokude	10 th

Jindatola programme:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Qualification</i>
1. Padmabai Ishulal Tekam	12 th
2. Kalabai Surajlal Tekam	10 th
3. Urmilabai Rajesh Meshram	12 th
4. Pramilabai Shivdas Bhagat	12 th
5. Yogeshwari Anil Tekam	10 th
6. Bhumeshwari Ganesh Bhagat	10 th
7. Sushila Vijay Warkhade	5 th
8. Pushpa Rupchand Meshram	8 th
9. Usha Chaganlal Sayam	12 th
10. Rushika Jitendra Thakre	10 th

During April, we also sent 8 youths to be trained in data entry at the Mobile Livelihood Development Centre at Goregaon run by **Yuva Parivartan**- National Skill Development Corporation.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Qualification</i>	Duration
1. Tejaswini Ishulal Tekam	12 th	1 Month
2. Pranali Rajesh Meshram	12 th	1 Month
3. Pranay Rajesh Meshram	12 th	1 Month
4. Bhumeshwari Krushnalal Madavi	12 th	1 Month
5. Tejram Maniram Madavi	12 th	1 Month
6. Umeshwari Ashok Tekam	1 st year	1 Month
7. Anil Hariram Tekam	1 st year	1 Month
8. Megha Gyaniram Khobragade	12 th	1 Month

Mobile Health Service (MHS)

There were 6 health camps in April.

Sr. no	Date	Village	Patients
1	21/04/2018	Sodlagondi	23
2	21/04/2018	Thadezari	31
3	22/04/2018	Pitezari	36
4	22/04/2018	Umarzari	32
5	23/04/2018	Chorkhamara	38
6	23/04/2018	Bhajepar	26
		Total	186



Dr. Burade examines patient at Pitezari