

**NAVEGAON-NAGZIRA TIGER RESERVE
DECEMBER- 2016**

Team:

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Highlights

- ⇒ *Joined Forest Department staff on 5 patrols*
- ⇒ *4 programmes to clean water holes in Compartments no.109, 110, 106 and 107*
- ⇒ *6 community assistance shramdhaans – programmes to clean area next to hand pumps at Sodlagondi, Asalpani, Bagadband, Bodalkasa, Alezari and Kodebarra*
- ⇒ *7 anti-plastic programmes at Umarzari, Sodlagondi, Asalpani, Bagadband, Bodalkasa, Alezari and Kodebarra*
- ⇒ *Organized 5 education programmes in schools focusing on migratory birds -793 students attended*
- ⇒ *Organised 6 education van programmes which were attended by 785 students*
- ⇒ *Organised 6 medical camps in which 71 patients got free treatment*
- ⇒ *Build check dam in compartment no. 108*

Conservation

Date	Village	Activity	No. of participants
07/12/2016	Kodebarra	Our volunteers from youth club joined Forest Dept. in day and night patrols	4
13/12/2016	Jindatola	Our volunteers from youth club joined Forest Dept. in day and night patrol	6
23/12/2016	Govindtola	Our volunteers from youth club joined Forest Dept. in day and night patrol	5
25/12/2016	Bagadband	Our volunteers from youth club joined Forest Dept. in day and night patrol	6
29/12/2016	Comp. no. 106	Our volunteers from youth club joined Forest Dept. in day and night patrol	6
17/12/2016	Comp. no. 109	Programme to clean water hole	5
18/12/2106	Comp. no. 110	Programme to clean water hole	5
22/12/2016	Comp. no. 106	Programme to clean water hole	6
23/12/2016	Comp. no. 107	Programme to clean water hole	7

06/12/2016	Sodlagondi	Programme to clean area around hand pump	6
14/12/2016	Asalpani	Programme to clean area around hand pump	9
15/12/2016	Bagadband	Programme to clean area around hand pump	5
18/12/2016	Bodalkasa	Programme to clean area around hand pump	7
24/12/2016	Alezari	Programme to clean area around hand pump	9
26/12/2016	Kodebarra	Programme to clean area around hand pump	7
04/12/2016	Umarzari	Anti-plastic programme	10
06/12/2016	Sodlagondi	Anti-plastic programme	12
14/12/2016	Asalpani	Anti-plastic programme	8
15/12/2016	Bagadband	Anti-plastic programme	6
18/12/2016	Bodalkasa	Anti-plastic programme	5
24/12/2016	Alezari	Anti-plastic programme	4
26/12/2016	Kodebarra	Anti-plastic programme	6
04/12/2016	Umarzari	VEDC Meeting	10
05/12/2016	Thadezari	VEDC Meeting	11
08/12/2016	Chorkhamara	VEDC Meeting	10
14/12/2016	Asalpani	VEDC Meeting	8

Our team organized 4 programmes in December to clean water holes in Compartments 109, 110, 106, 107.

Our team also organized 6 community assistance programmes in December to clear areas around hand pumps at Sodlagondi, Asalpani, Bagadband, Bodalkasa, Alezari and Kodebarra. Unemployed youths from Mangezari participated in all programmes which were led by Mukund and Salimkumar. 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 areas, removing scum and organic growth and dug canals to drain away the water.



Volunteers clean area around hand pump at Bagadband

Our team joined the Forest Department in day and night patrols on the roads from Mangezari to Kodebarra, Mangezari to Jindatola, Mangezari to Govindtola, Mangezari to Bagadband and in Compartment no. 106 on December 7, 13, 23, 25 and 29.

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 Jindatola



Day patrol in Compartment no. 106

During the month, our team organized 7 anti-plastic programmes to clean polythene/plastic litter from villages. The programmes were organized on December 4, 6, 14, 15, 18, 24 and 26 at Umarzari, Sodlagondi, Asalpani, Bagadband, Bodalkasa, Alezari and Kodebarra villages respectively. Mukund, Salimkumar 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 Umarzari

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 a total of 4 awareness programmes during December in 4 villages – Umarzari, Thadezari, Chorkhamara and Asalpani.

Education

There were 5 education programmes during December 2016.

S.no	Date	Village	Events	No. of Participants
1	1/12/2016	ZPPS, Mangezari	Common and migratory birds	78
2	07/12/2016	GES Girls high school, Kuradi	Common and migratory birds	210
3	08/12/2016	Harikrishna high school, Kodelohara	Common and migratory birds	240
4	14/12/2016	ZPPS, Asalpani	Common and migratory birds	45
5	23/12/2016	Adilok high school, Bolunda	Common and migratory birds	220
			Total	793

Education van

There were 6 film shows during the month of December.

S.no	Date	School	Village	Movie	Number of students
1	19/12/2016	Ashram school	Koilari	Land of tigers	120

2	19/12/2016	Harikrishna high school	Kodelohara	Sunderbans	240
3	20/12/2016	ZPPS	Berdipar	Truth about tigers	90
4	20/12/2016	Ashram school	Mendha	Truth about tigers	140
5	21/12/2016	ZPPS	Pindkepar	Land of tigers	130
6	21/12/2016	ZPPS	Kodebarra	Sunderbans	65
				Total	785

Employment Cell activities

Information was given to members of local self-help groups (SHGs) in our area of operations about various livelihood training programmes available through Government agencies and Star Swayam Rozgar Kendra of Bank of India. 69 members were present in this program.

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There were 6 health camps in December at which 71 patients received free treatment.

S.no	Date	Village	Patients
1	10/12/2016	Thadezari	12
2	10/12/2016	Sodlagondi	08
3.	11/12/2016	Pitezari	23
4	11/12/2016	Boatola	08
5	12/12/2016	Bhajepar	9
6	12/12/2016	Chorkhamara	11
		Total-	71



Dr. Zanzal examines a patient at Boatola