

SATPURA TIGER RESERVE
JULY 2016

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Highlights

- ⇒ *5,000 saplings planted in Jhiriya*
- ⇒ *Sapling distribution and plantation in Mohgaon*
- ⇒ *15 awareness programmes on sapling plantation*
- ⇒ *Built check dam at Dundi*
- ⇒ *Celebrated International Tiger Day at Matkuli*
- ⇒ *Classroom visits to 13 schools as part of our environment education programme – attended by 780 students*
- ⇒ *Prepared 35 loan proposals for lantana trainees at Almod*
- ⇒ *Medical camps in 6 villages - 95 patients treated*
- ⇒ *Visit to check on status of 7 villages which have already been relocated*

Conservation

| S. | Date | Village | Activity | No. of par. |
|-----------|-------------|---------------------|---|--------------------|
| 1. | July 1 | Baridevi | Awareness programme on sapling plantation | 15 |
| 2. | July 2 | Jhirpa | Awareness programme on sapling plantation | 22 |
| 3. | July 2 | Chandan Pipariya | Awareness programme on sapling plantation | 14 |
| 4. | July 2 | Almod | Awareness programme on sapling plantation | 18 |
| 5. | July 16 | Bindakheda | Awareness programme on sapling plantation | 16 |
| 6. | July 16 | Jhirpa | Awareness programme on sapling plantation | 22 |
| 7. | July 16 | Singanama | Awareness programme on sapling plantation | 26 |
| 8. | July 17 | Matkuli | Awareness programme on sapling plantation | 19 |
| 9. | July 17 | Mohgaon | Awareness programme on sapling plantation | 15 |
| 10. | July 17 | Mehandikheda | Awareness programme on sapling plantation | 11 |
| 11. | July 19 | Khanchari | Awareness programme on sapling plantation | 18 |
| 12. | July 19 | Karer | Awareness programme on sapling plantation | 15 |
| 13. | July 20 | Aaditoriya | Awareness programme on sapling plantation | 14 |
| 14. | July 25 | Mohgaon | sapling plantation and Distribution | 60 |
| 15. | July 26 | Pisuwa | Awareness programme on sapling plantation | 25 |
| 16. | July 27 | Maili | Awareness programme on sapling plantation | 20 |
| | | | <i>Total</i> | <i>330</i> |



Sapling distribution and plantation at Government Primary School, Mohgaon

With the monsoon setting in across the landscape, our teams have been working to motivate villagers to plant saplings. In July, Satpuda Foundation and the Forest Department jointly organised the plantation of saplings at Jhiriya village. A total of 5,000 bamboo, karanj, amla and teak saplings were planted with the support of Eco-Development Committee, Jhiriya, and Forest Department staff of Bankhedi Range. The saplings were provided by Social Forestry wing of the Forest Department. Our contribution to the programme was in organizing the ground work of digging pits and planting the saplings through the Eco-Development Committee.



Sapling plantation at Jhiriya



Plantation awareness programme at Baridevi

On July 2, we organized a programme to build a check dam on a stream in the forest around 3.5 km from Dundi village. A team comprising 10 villagers from Dundi and Hameed built the dam. The resultant water body will benefit wildlife. Villagers say that tiger, spotted deer, monkeys and leopards are spotted in the area.



Dundi- Building of check dam

Education

During the month, our team organized 13 lectures to educate students about nature and wildlife conservation.

| S.N. | Date | School | N0. Of Student |
|------|---------|---|-------------------|
| 1 | July 1 | Government Primary School (GPS), Mehandikheda | 23 |
| 2 | July 2 | GPS, Mohgaon | 52 |
| 3 | July 4 | GPS, Chandan Pipariya | 22 |
| 4 | July 5 | GPS, Khari | 08 |
| 5 | July 6 | GPS, Tekapar | 43 |
| 6 | July 6 | Government Middle School, Tekapar | 61 |
| 7 | July 8 | GPS, Pisuwa | 55 |
| 8 | July 8 | GMS, Pisuwa | 70 |
| 9 | July 8 | Saraswati Shishu Mandir, Matkuli | 227 |
| 10 | July 14 | GPS, Matkuli | 127 |
| 11 | July 15 | GPS, Chirrai | 35 |
| 12 | July 16 | GPS, Chillod | 14 |
| 13 | July 21 | GPS, Bindakheda | 43 |
| | | <i>Total</i> | <i>780</i> |



Environment education programme at Tekapar (left) and Chillod (Right)

Employment Cell

During this month, we helped prepare 35 loan proposals for villagers who were trained in making lantana products in a programme organised by us earlier this year. The loan proposals were submitted under Mukhyamantri Aarthik Kalyan Yojana to Chief Executive Officer, Janpad Panchayat, Junardeo, Chhindwara District.

International Tiger Day

On July 29, we organized a function to celebrate International Tiger Day at Eco Centre Matkuli. The programme was attended by Mr. Dubey (Professor, Indian Institute of Forest Management, Bhopal), Mr. A.K. Mishra (Conservator of Forests), A.D. Yadav (Ass. Director Satpura Tiger Reserve), Lokesh Nirapure (SDO Pipariya), Ashish Khobragade (Range Officer), Mr. Kujur (Project Officer, Centre for Environment Education), all deputy Rangers and Forest Guards of Pachmarhi Range. Students and staff of various local schools and schools from Pachmarhi also attended, along with villagers and members of Eco Development Committee, Matkuli.



Matkuli- International Tiger Day programme

Mobile Health Service (MHS)

Satpuda Foundation organizes medical camps at which villagers get free treatment and medicines. These camps, whose schedule is set in conjunction with the management of the Tiger Reserve, are run by the Mobile Health Service (MHS) of Satpuda Foundation. There were health camps in 6 villages in July.

| S.N. | Date | Village | Patients |
|--------------|---------|------------|-----------|
| 1 | July 23 | Almod | 21 |
| 2 | July 23 | Dundi | 18 |
| 3 | July 24 | Bandhan | 13 |
| 4 | July 24 | Karer | 15 |
| 5 | July 25 | Aaditoriya | 20 |
| 6 | July 25 | Khanchari | 8 |
| Total | | | 95 |



Dr Zanzal examines villagers at our free medical camps at Almod (left) and Karer (right)