

TADOBA-ANDHARI TIGER RESERVE

DECEMBER 2018

Team:

Conservation Officer: Mr. Ajay Poddar

Field Assistant: Mr. Kishor Dudhbarai

Highlights of the month:

- ⇒ *4 anti-plastic programmes and programmes to clean areas around hand pumps - 105 villagers participated*
- ⇒ *2 check dams built - 26 villagers participated*
- ⇒ *9 environment education programmes- 328 students attended*
- ⇒ *Nature guides' personality development programme – 20 guides attended*
- ⇒ *6 women's SHG meetings were organized - 135 members attended*
- ⇒ *7 VEDC meetings were organized - 195 members attended*
- ⇒ *8 youths selected for driving training programme*
- ⇒ *6 Mobile Health Unit (MHU) camps –283 patients treated*
- ⇒ *Man-animal conflict survey carried out in buffer zone villages*

Conservation

Date	Village	Activity	No. of participants
07/12/2018	Kondegaon	Check dam construction	12
13/12/2018	Mudholi	Cleaning of area around bore well	10
14/12/2018	Katwal	Anti-plastic programme	35
18/12/2018	Kondegaon	Cleanliness drive	15
27/12/2018	Mudholi	Check dam construction	15
29/12/2018	Dewada	Anti-plastic drive	45
		Total	132

On December 13th, 14th, 18th and 29th, we organized cleanliness and anti-plastic programmes in Dewada, Katwal, Adegaon, and Mudholi. Programmes were organized to sanitize the area around the villages, removing litter which sometimes leads wildlife to venture into villages, causing man-animal conflict. We collected over 10 kilograms of plastic litter through voluntary public participation (shramdhaan). A total of 105 villagers including members of women's self-help groups (SHGs) volunteered for these activities.

On December 7th and 27th, we constructed check dams near Mudholi and Kondegaon villages through shramdhaan. 27 villagers volunteered for the construction work.



(Left) Katwal- Members of women's SHG participate in cleanliness drive organized by us



(Right) Kondegaon- Village youths volunteer to clean the drainage gutters of the village



Adegaon – Students of Zilla Parishad school participate in anti-plastic drive and collect plastic litter





Mudholi – Villagers construct a check dam through shramdhaan

Education Programme

On December 3rd ,4th ,8th ,15th ,18th ,18th ,21st and 26th, we organized environment education programmes in Zilla Parishad (ZP) schools of Khutwanda, Katwal, Sitarampeth, Bhamdeli, Dewada and Adegaon. We organized these programmes with students and teachers in order to make them aware of the importance of biodiversity and conservation. We taught them about nature and wildlife's value through interactive sessions and various nature games. A total of 311 students participated in the programmes.

On December 19th , nature club 'Leopard' of ZP school, Dewada set up a kitchen garden on the school campus. 17 students of the club participated in the activity.



(Left)Mudholi- Students identify wildlife through a game



(Right) Katwal- Students play nature games during the environment education programme



(Left) Bhamdeli- Members of nature club 'Leopard' pose in front of the kitchen garden they set up during the last monsoon

(Right) Khutwanda- Field assistant Kshor interacts with students and talks about man-animal conflict

Sr. no	Date	Village/School	Programme	Participants
1	03/12/2018	ZP school, Sitarampeth	Environment education session	25
2	04/12/2018	ZP school, Bhamdeli	Session on bird identification	26
3	08/12/2018	ZP school, Mudholi	Nature games	65
4	10/12/2018	ZP school, Bhamdeli	Lecture on environmental issues	24
5	15/12/2018	ZP school, Mudholi	Bird watching and nature trail	55
6	18/12/2018	ZP school, Katwal	Session on man-animal conflict and prevention	60
7	19/12/2018	ZP School, Dewada	--do--	17
8	21/12/2018	ZP School, UdiyaTola	--do--	22
9	26/12/2018	ZP school, Khutwanda	Nature games (mammals and birds identification)	34

			Total	328
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Employment Cell

We organized 8 village eco-development committee (VEDC) meetings and 4 women’s self-help group (SHG) meetings, focusing on alternative livelihoods which would reduce dependence on the forests that leads to man-animal conflict and degradation of forests.

A total of 330 villagers attended these meetings and shared their thoughts.

In the SHG meetings, we discussed about forming groups of interested people who are willing to be trained in making paper bags and in embroidery. This training will be provided by Nehru Yuva Kendra (NYK), Chandrapur. A total of 135 members attended these meetings.

In the VEDC meetings, we discussed and explained short- and long-term benefits of fodder plantation. We also discussed about increasing numbers of man-animal confrontation in Moharli buffer area and how to prevent this by adopting cattle sheds and stall feeding for their cattle, which sometimes fall prey to medium and large carnivores in the area. A total of 195 villagers attended these meetings.



(Left) Adegaoon- Members of women’s SHG being informed about embroidery and sewing training provided by Nehru Yuva Kendra, Chandrapur

(Right) Bhamdeli- Kishor speaks to villagers about man-animal conflict and solar fencing

On December 25th and 26th, we organized ‘Nature Guides Development Programme’ for guides of Khutwanda gate (core) and Moharli gate (core/buffer). Mr. Kunal Sharma (GIZ India) spoke about how to improve as nature guides and the need to promote eco-tourism. 20 nature guides attended these sessions.



Khutwanda- Mr. Kunal Sharma interacts with nature guides of Khutwanda tourism gate

8 more eligible youths from Tadoba buffer registered for four-wheeler driving training, which is being organized by SF and funded by Maharashtra State Forest Department. We are making a list of 50 unemployed eligible youths and training will start later in January month.

Details of the programmes are given below:

Sr. No.	Date	Village	Group	Attended	Program introduced
1	02/12/2018	Junona	VEDC	20	Livelihood awareness/training programmes discussion.
2	03/12/2018	Sitarampeth	SHG (Adivasi Mahila Bachat gat)	15	Sewing, embroidery course introduction
3	04/12/2018	Bhamdeli	VEDC	26	Discussion on livestock management
4	06/12/2018	Khutwanda	VEDC	31	Utilizing 'janDhan' fund for conservation activities
5	07/12/2018	Mudholi	VEDC	28	--do--
6	16/12/2018	Mudholi	SHG (Savitri Mahila Bachat	25	Meeting with candidates

			Gat)		interested in embroidery course at NYK
7	19/12/2018	Junona	SHG (Irai Mahila Bachat Gat)	20	Small scale business discussion
8	20/12/2018	Bhamdeli	SHG (Indira Mahila Bachat Gat)	30	--do--
9	21/12/2018	Adegaon	SHG (Valmiki Mahila Bachat Gat)	20	--do--
10	26/12/2018	Khutwanda	SHG (Savitri Mahila Bachat Gat)	25	Sewing and embroidery through NYK
11	27/12/2018	Mudholi	VEDC	40	Meeting with four wheeler driving training candidates
12	28/12/2018	Adegaon, UdiyaTola	VEDC	20	Livestock management and meeting with bamboo artisans
13	29/12/2018	Katwal	VEDC	30	Meeting on livestock management
14	25/12/2018	Khutwanda	Nature guides and aspirants (tourism gate-core)	10	Nature guides development programme
15	26/12/2018	Moharli	--do--	10	--do--
			Total	350	

List of the candidates (four-wheeler driving training)

Sr. No.	Name	Age	Qualification	Village	Training
1	Aakash Madhavi	21yr	10 th pass	Khutwanda	Four wheeler driving training for youths of Moharli buffer
2	Dheeraj Madhavi	20yr	12 th pass	--do--	--do--
3	Sanjay Madhavi	40 yr	B.A.	--do--	--do-
4	Ajinkya Poinkar	21yr	10 th pass	Katwal	--do-
5	Sanket Bhaisare	20yr	12 th pass	--do--	--do-

6	Ganesh Poinkar	23yr	12 th pass	--do-	--do-
7	Shubham Bhaisare	20yr	12 th pass	--do--	--do--
8	Praveen Ambade	27yr	10 th pass	--do-	--do-
9	Amol Yete	22yr	12 th pass	--do-	--do-
10	Vitthal Neware	27yr	8 th pass	--do-	--do-
11	Sharad Choudhary	38yr	12 th pass	--do-	--do-
12	Gajanan Jambule	30yr	10 th pass	Mudholi	--do--
13	Prakash Gharat	38yr	12 th pass	--do-	--do-
14	Prateek Jambule	21yr	12 th pass	--do-	--do-
15	Vilas Dadmal	26yr	12 th pass	--do-	--do-
16	Suraj Gedam	22yr	12 th pass	--do-	--do-
17	Yogeshwar Pendam	24yr	12 th pass	--do-	--do-
18	Shankar Dadmal	26yr	10 th pass	Kondegaon	--do-
19	Anup Choudhary	27yr	10 th pass	--do--	--do-
20	Vinod Gharat	40yr	10 th pass	Bhamdeli	--do-
21	Anand Nagdevte	26yr	8 th pass	Dewada	--do--
22	Gariba Patil	39 yr	10 th pass	--do--	--do--
23	Vishal Tiwade	22yr	10 th pass	Adegaon	--do--
24	Rajkumar Gedam	38	10 th pass	Kondegaon	(documents yet to be received)
25	Biju Maghre	23yr	10 th pass	Bhamdeli	
26	Vikas Gharat	31yr	10 th pass	--do--	
27	Ishwar Ghormare	28yr	10 th pass		
28	Mayur Asutkar	20yr	10 th pass	--do--	
29	Vaibhav Shedam	20 yr	12 th pass	Khutwanda	
30	Govind Dhok	32yr	12 th pass	Sitarampeth	
31	Pramod Dhanorkar	39yr	10 th pass	Adegaon	

32	Nikhil Kumre	21yr	10 th pass	--do--	
33	Monoj Jawade	25yr	12 th pass	--do--	
34	Suraj Maraskole	25yr	12 th pass	--do--	
35	Diwakar Kumre	27yr	10 th pass	--do--	
36	Amit Jharkar	19yr	12 th pass	--do--	
37	Roshan Sorde	18yr	10 th pass	Dewada	
38	Rajendra Korwate	28yr	-----	Dewada	
39	NiteshYedme	21yr	10 th pass	Dewada	
40	Dilip Todase	26yr	10 th pass	Agarzari	
41	Ashwini Atram	30yr	12 th pass	--do--	
42	Nandkishor Mankar	25yr	12 th pass	Katwal	
43	Ranveer Dudhgawdi	51yr	12 th pass	Padmapur	
44	ShubhamVaidya	20yr	12 TH pass	Mudholi	
45	Pramod Pendam	25yr	12 th pass	Mudholi	
46	Anil Yedme	24yr	12 th pass	Mudholi	
47	Rajendra Korwate	28yr	8 th pass	Dewada	
48	NiteshYerme	20yr	10 th pass	Dewada	

49	Vishal Shidam	21yr	10 th pass	Khutwanda	
50	Narendra Choudhary	38	10 th pass	Mudholi	

Mobile Health Unit:

Team: Dr. Aashish Gulde, MHU driver – Mr. Gajanan Shanware, MHU coordinator-
Mr. Deepak Gayna

6 camps were organized by us in December at where a total of 283 patients got free treatment and medicines.

S. no	Date	Village	Patients
1	December 22 nd	Bhamdeli	59
2	December 22 nd	Sitarampeth	53
3	December 23 rd	Adegaon	36
4	December 23 rd	UdiyaTola	58
5	December 24 th	Dewada	37
6	December 24 th	Junona	40
		Total	283



Bhamdeli – Dr. Gulde treats a child patient during MHU camp

