

TADOBA-ANDHARI TIGER RESERVE

SEPTEMBER 2017

Team:

Conservation Officer: Mr. Ajay Poddar

Field Assistant: Mr. Kishor Dudhbarai

Highlights of the month:

- ⇒ *3 anti-plastic and cleanliness drives -- 95 children participated*
- ⇒ *6 visits to schools -- lectures and wildlife film shows organized for 350 students*
- ⇒ *2 SHG meetings organized and attended by 25 women*
- ⇒ *3 VEDC meetings to discuss livelihood and conservation issues -- attended by 35 villagers*
- ⇒ *Selected 30 unemployed youths to be trained in driving four-wheelers*
- ⇒ *Medical camps in 6 villages – 398 patients treated*
- ⇒ *Socio economy survey of 12 villages*
- ⇒ *Wildlife week 2017 arrangements*

Conservation

Date	Village	Activity	No. of participants
September 8 th	Katwal	Anti-plastic programme	40
September 17 th	Kondegaon	--do--	30
September 22 nd	Dewada	--do--	25
		Total	95

On September 8th, 17th and 22nd we organized cleanliness and anti- plastic programme with the students of Zilla Parishad schools in Katwal, Kondegaon and Dewada. 95

students participated in the programmes. Students went on the roads and the areas around their villages with their teachers and our field assistant Kishor and collected plastic litters. They chanted slogans on cleanliness during the drive. The litter was dumped into garbage pits, constructed through village eco-development committees (VEDCs).



Khutwanda: Children collecting plastic litter from the road and cleaning the area

Environment Education

We organized 6 visits to Zilla Parishad schools in villages to interact with the students and to make them aware about wildlife and its importance through various wildlife documentaries and classroom lectures. A total of 350 students attended these educational programmes organized in their schools.



(left)Adegaon: Kishor interacts with the studets. (right) Udiyatola: Studetnts watching a wildlife documentary

Education Van

S. no	Date	Place	Movie	Participants
1	September 14 th	Adegaon, UdiyaTola	Tiger Tales, The real jungle book, Snakes of	90

			India	
2	September 15 th	Junona, Dewada, Sitarampeth	--do--	110
3	September 16 th	Mudholi, Khutwanda	---do--	150
			Total	350

Employment Cell

We organized 2 self-help group (SHG) meetings and 3 VEDC meetings, focusing on alternative livelihoods which would reduce villagers' dependence on the forests. 60 people attended these meetings.

We introduced them to district-level vocational training and employment schemes like hospitality courses under Deen Dayal Upadhyay Gramin Kaushal Yojana (DDUGKY). Details of the programmes are given below:

Sr. No.	Date	Village	Attended	Program introduced
1	Sept 2 nd	Adegaon, UdiyaTola	10	Small enterprise businesses (women's SHG)
2	Sept 19 th	Kondegaon, Sitarampeth	15	--do--
3	Sept 1 st	Dewada, Junona	10	Driver's training and hospitality course
4	Sept 3 rd	Bhamdeli, Sitarampeth	10	Guide training
5	Sept 12 th	Kondegaon, Junona	15	--do--
		Total	60	



(Left) UdiyaTola: Kishor interacts with women SHG members; (right) Sitarampeth - Kishor interacts with the candidates interested in hospitality course

Placements:

Our team visited villages and selected 30 eligible youths to be trained in driving four-wheelers. We have already conducted such programmes in the past and youths who benefited from these programmes have motivated other villagers to approach us for training.

Candidates' list:

Sr. No.	Name	Age	Qualification	Village	Contact no.
1	Prateek Vasanta Jambule	20	10 th pass	Mudholi	-
2	Kailash P. Rane	26	12 th pass	Mudholi	9822173598
3	Narendra V. Chaudhary	37	10 th pass	Mudholi	7517058204
4	Sunil Ashok Dhok	28	8 th pass	Mudholi	9850054832
5	Shankar Mahadev Dadmal	27	10 th pass	Mudholi	9130282724
6	Prakash ShreeHari Gharat	36	12 th pass	Mudholi	9689969752
7	Rupesh K. Garate	21	12 th pass	Mudholi	8805598739
8	Amol P Yete	22	12 th pass	Katwal	8975327393
9	Pramod U. Pendam	25	12 th pass	Mudholi	8888654731
10	Prashant Fulkar	25	10 th pass	Mudholi	9146791550
11	Jitendra R. Sidam	22	12 th pass	Mudholi	9604518127
12	Ashwini P. Atram	28	10 th pass	Adegaon	--
13	Akash Hari Pendam	26	10 th pass	Mudholi	9767767916
14	Anil Madhukar Yedme	24	12 th pass	Mudholi	9552363270
15	Nandkishor B. Mankar	24	12 th pass	Katwal	8605948552
16	Shubham S. Bhaisare	20	12 th pass	Katwal	7083187044
17	Vinod S. Nannaware	21	12 th pass	Katwal	7447270152

18	Shrawan K. Shendre	28	12 th pass	Katwal	9689128784
19	Amol R. Gajbhiye	19	12 th pass	Katwal	7744073274
20	Bhushan M. Chaudhary	20	12 th pass	Katwal	7719958796
21	Bhimrao J. Naagdevte	25	9 th pass	Dewada	8806478951
22	Anand J. Naagdevte	22	8 th pass	Dewada	--
23	Anil N. Atram	29	10 th pass	Khutwanda	--
24	Dheeraj V. Madhavi	20	10 th pass	Khutwanda	
25	Vaibhav B. Shedam	19	10 th pass	Khutwanda	--
26	Kishor S. Dharne	30	12 th pass	Katwal	7350500557
27	Shubham G. Vaidhya	19	12 th pass	Katwal	9552710260
28	Yogeshwar K. Pendam	24	12 th pass	Mudholi	9850090257
29	Virendra Deshmukh	35	12 th pass	Moharli	9763467959
30	Ghanshyam Gajbhiye	27	10 th pass	Dewada	--

Mobile Health Unit

6 camps were organized by us in September at which a total of 398 patients got free treatment and medicines.

S. no	Date	Village	Patients
1	September 23 rd	Adegaon	72
2	September 23 rd	Junona	84
3	September 24 th	Bhamdeli	79
4	September 24 th	UdiyaTola	45
5	September 25 th	Dewada	64
6	September 25 th	Chorgaon	54
		Total	398



Chorgaon : Dr. Sarangdhar checking a patient during the MHU camp

Socio-economy Surveys:

We have started updating socio-economic surveys of 12 villages where we operate.



Kishor conducting survey in Kondegaon (left) and Katwal (right)