

Satpuda Foundation

Activity report of Pench Tiger Reserve (M.P.) centre for the year ended March 31, 2011

Team:

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Supported by

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Villages where we operate:

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Cluster I	Cluster II
Awarghani	Doodhgaon
Turia	Tuyepani
Satosha	Pulpuldoh
Khamma	-
Khamrith	
Ambadi	
Potiya	
Durgapur	
Aamajhari	
Jamuntola	
Kohoka	
Telia	
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Total population of these 15 villages: approximately 15,500

Our activities in Pench are supported by



Satpuda Foundation's conservation philosophy focuses on communities living in and around protected areas. The Foundation believes that these communities need to be roped in as allies in the conservation movement and that long-term, sustainable conservation is not possible only through the action of outsiders.

As part of this strategy, the Foundation follows a multi-pronged strategy of trust-building activities with communities, assisting them in meeting some of their basic needs, building their capacities and training and equipping them to shift to a lifestyle which is not based entirely on forests and forest produce.

Towards this end, the Foundation

- helps organise medical camps in which villagers get free medical treatment and medicines
- undertakes education programmes focusing on nature and wildlife conservation
- acts as a bridge between the villagers and development agencies in solving local development needs and
- assists villagers in getting gainful, legal employment; organizes training programmes which help equip unemployed villagers with skills which will help them either get jobs or start their own small businesses

Highlights for the year

- Eight shramdhaans for water conservation
- Plantation programme in 9 villages 301 saplings/seeds planted
- 5 nature trails for village children
- 2 conservation rallies to promote conservation message
- Programmes in 3 villages to celebrate Holi/Diwali in eco-friendly manner
- 113 visits to village schools to give lectures on nature and wildlife conservation
- 15 film shows on nature and wildlife conservation
- 9 unemployed youths provided with employment through our assistance
- Total of 47 medical camps, at which cumulative total of 1,906 patients got free treatment and medicines

Conservation activities

Water Conservation

The Foundation organises programmes involving local villagers and school children to build temporary structures known as check dams/stop dams which help to retain water and to recharge water table of the adjoining areas. These structures are typically built on streams, known as nallahs, and are selected with the help of local forest officials and villagers.

In addition, we also help build soak pits next to wells/hand pumps. These soak pits collect the water which is spilt while being drawn from the hand pump or well and help to recharge the water table.

Fire fighting

Each year, our teams assist in preventing fires, fighting fires, which are very common in the dry, deciduous forests of this region. We start with awareness programmes from the spring months onwards and then extend our efforts to physically fighting the fires, which typically occur during the summer months.

Patrolling/cleaning of waterholes

Our staff voluntarily joins hands with local forest officials in anti-poaching patrols and help in cleaning waterholes meant for wildlife.

Water for birds

Our team also motivates local villagers to provide water for birds during the hot summer months

Details of conservation activities are available in Annexure 1 Detailed monthly reports and narration are available on our Web site www.satpuda.org



Anoop Awasthi fights fire in the forest at Telia, Pench (M.P)



Placing water pots for birds at Khamma



Placing water pots for birds at Satosha



Field assistant Niranjan Hinge leads team in shramdhaan to create water body at Khamma, Pench (MP)



Water body put to use by thirsty calf after shramdhaan at Khamma, Pench (MP)



Shramdhaan in progress at Khamma, Pench (MP)





Soak pit dug at Khamma, Pench (MP)



Digging pits at Turia, Pench (MP) for plantation



Plantation programme at Khamma



Plantation programme at Khamrith



Water body created near Turia, Pench Tiger Reserve (M.P.) by shramdhaan

Mowgli Utsav 2010

Every year, the MP Government organises a festival for school children called "Mowgli Utsav" to spread awareness about wildlife and nature. Children and school teachers are selected from each Zillah of MP to participate in the 3-day programme. Although, we were not invited to the programme, Anoop Awasthi met senior officials and explained to them Satpuda Foundation's approach to nature and wildlife conservation and education. They then invited us to join the programme. As a result, Anoop was asked to lead the participating school children to a village of our choice to show them our activities and also to explain to the children about village life and their linkages to the surrounding biodiversity. On April 9, Anoop led the children to village Aamajhari, around 5 kms from the Turia entry gate to the Pench Tiger reserve. The children were also made aware of the benefits villagers gained from their proximity to the National Park as well as the impact that humans had on the fragile eco-system. On April 10, we organized a drama by the Sawara school children to convey the message that forests are the key to our water supply. The play, staged by 12 children under the guidance of one teacher, was well received by the audience.



Mowgli Utsav participants learn about nature from Anoop Awasthi



Mowgli Utsav participants learn about nature first hand



Play on nature conservation by Sawara's school children at Mowgli Utsav 2010

Education activities

Every month, during the academic year, we visit village schools in our area of operations to give classroom lectures on nature and wildlife, lead the students on nature trails to learn first hand about nature and wildlife and conduct interactive games with themes based on nature and wildlife.

The programme also includes the showing of films on wildlife and nature.

Details of classroom visits and film shows are in Annexure 2



Conservation Officer Anoop Awasthi talks to students of Government Middle School, Doodhgaon on nature and wildlife



Field assistant Bandu Uikey talks about nature and wildlife to students of Government Middle School, Telia





Turia village children on nature trail



Field assistant Niranjan Hinge on a nature trail with children of Khamrith village, Pench Tiger Reserve, M.P



Nature game at school at Awarghani in Pench M.P.



Nature game at school at Durgapur in Pench M.P.



Field assistant Bandu Uikey talks on nature conservation to students of Govt Middle School, Tekadi, Pench



Field assistant Niranjan Hinge conducts nature game at Govt Primary School, Durgapur, Pench Tiger Reserve, M.P. Tiger Reserve, M.P



Field assistant Niranjan Hinge on a nature trail with children of Khamma, Pench (M.P.)

Medical camps

Satpuda Foundation organises medical camps at which villagers get free treatment and medicines. These camps, whose schedule is set in conjunction with the managements of the respective Tiger Reserves, are run by the Mobile health Unit (MHU) of Nature Conservation Society, Amravati a partner-NGO.

Details of medical camps are available in Annexure 4



Medical camp in progress at Turia





Medical camp in progress at Jamuntola in Pench (M.P.)



Health camp at Durgapur



Health camp at Potiya

Annexure 1

Conservation/community activities

April

S.No.	Date	Place	Activity	Number of participants
1	Apr 27	Turia	Well cleaning	15

May

S.No	. Date	Place	Activity	Number of participants
1		Satosha, Khamma	Water pots for birds	12

June

S.No.	Date	Place	Activity	Number of
				participants
1	June 3	Khamma	Waterhole for domestic livestock	10
2	June	Khamma	Soak pit next to hand pump	7
	18			
3	June	Turia	Plantation programme (14 pits dug and	14
	27		plantation made)	

July

S.No.	Date	Village	Activity	Participants
1	July 9	Aamajhari	30 pits in	35 Students
			village's	
			Government	
			school campus	
2	July 12	Telia	35 pits in	50 Students
			school campus	
3	July 13	Turia	32 pits in	64 Students
			school campus	
4	July 13	Turia	30 pits in &	35 villagers
			around village	
5	July 24	Tuyepani	40 pits in	76 Students
			school campus	

August

S.No.	Date	Village	Activity	Participants
1	Aug 26	Satosha	35 seeds planted	24
2	Aug 26	Khamma	20 seeds planted	35
3	Aug 27	Khamrith	30 seeds planted	35

September

S.No.	Date	Village	Activity	Participants
1	Sept 14	Jamuntola	20 seeds	20 Students
			planted in Govt	
			Primary school	
			campus	
2	Sept 14	Durgapur	15 seeds	29 Students
			planted in Govt	
			Primary school	
			campus	

October

S.no	Date	Village	School	Activity	No. of Students
1	Oct 1	Turia	Government	Nature trail	10
			Middle		
			School		
2	Oct 4	Khamrith	GMS	Conservation rally, painting	65
				contest	
3	Oct 5	Telia	GMS	Painting contest, conservation	65
				rally and anti-plastic campaign	

November

S.no	Date	Village		Activity	No. of Students
1	Nov	Turia	Village	Nature trail	8
	21		children		
2	Nov 9	Khamrith	GMS	Cleaning of water tank	20

December

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S.no	Date	Village		Activity	No. of participants
1	Dec 24	Telia	Government Middle School, Telia	Digging of soak pit	19
2	Dec 14	Turia	GMS, Turia	Anti-plastic campaign	39

January 2011

S.no	Date	Village		Activity	No. of participants
1	Jan 29	Turia	Village children	Bird/watching-cum-nature trail	10

2	Jan 30	Turia	Villagers	Bori-bandhaan to create stop	12
				dam	

February

S.no	Date	Village		Activity	No. of
					participants
1	Feb 8	Khamrith	Village children	Bird/watching-cum-nature trail	8
2	Feb 14	Ambadi	Students, teachers	Shramdhaan to dig a soak pit	27

March

S.no	Date	Village	Activity	No. of participants
1	March 12	Khamma	Bird/watching-cum-nature trail	7
2	Mar 16	Telia	Conservation rally and antiplastic campaign	70
3	Mar 18	Khamma	Programme on eco-friendly Holi	10
4	Mar 18	Satosha	do	10
5	Mar 19	Telia	do	38
6	Mar 23	Turia	Shramdhaan to clean well and tank	7
7	Mar 24	Aamajhari	Conservation rally and antiplastic campaign	88
8	Mar 29	Telia	Fighting fire in forest	2

Annexure 2 Education activities

April

S.no	Date	School	Village	Number of participants
1.	April 7	Government Middle	Telia	45
		School	(MP)	
		Total		45

July

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S.no	Date	School	Village	Number of participants
1	July 09	GMS	Aamajhari	77
2	July 12	GMS	Telia	50
3	July 13	GMS	Turia	64
4	July 21	GPS	Jamuntola	25
5	July 21	GMS	Kohoka	110
6	July 22	GPS	Khamrith	70
7	July 24	GPS	Satosha	71
8	July 24	GPS	Ambadi	65
9	July 26	GPS	Potiya	46
10	July 26	GPS	Durgapur	31
11	July 28	GPS	Awarghani	22
12	July 20	GMS	Doodhgaon	60
13	July 24	GMS	Tuyepani	25
		Total		716

August

S.no	Date	School	Village	Number of participants
1	Aug 5	Government	Tuyepani	110
		Middle		
		School		
2	Aug 6	GMS	Turia	57
3	Aug 9	Government	Awarghani	51
		Primary		
		School		
4	Aug 10	GPS	Satosha	70
5	Aug 10	GMS	Telia	128
6	Aug 11	GPS	Aamajhari	110
7	Aug 11	GPS	Potiya	113
8	Aug 19	GPS	Jamuntola	27
9	Aug 26	GPS	Khamma	35
10	Aug 27	GMS	Khamrith	65
11	Aug 27	GMS	Doodhgaon	82
12	Aug 30	GPS	Ambadi	63

	Total	911
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September

S.no	Date	School	Village	Number of participants
1	Sept 3	Government	Durgapur	29
		Primary		
		School		
2	Sept 6	GPS	Satosha	71
3	Sept 7	GPS	Jamuntola	25
4	Sept 14	Government	Doodhgaon	100
		Middle		
		School		
5	Sept 15	GPS	Awarghani	53
6	Sept 20	GMS	Telia	84
7	Sept 23	GMS	Tuyepani	98
8	Sept 24	GPS	Potiya	22
9	Sept 24	GMS	Aamajhari	25
10	Sept 28	GMS	Khamrith	75
11	Sept 28	GPS	Ambadi	64
		Total		646

October

S.no	Date	School	Village	Number of participants
1	Oct 6	Government	Aamajhari	16
		Middle		
		School		
2	Oct 13	GMS	Telia	50
3	Oct 18	GMS	Tuyepani	107
4	Oct 19	GMS	Doodhgaon	113
5	Oct 19	Government	Durgapur	27
		Primary		
		School		
6	Oct 20	GPS	Potiya	104
7	Oct 21	GMS	Khamrith	76
8	Oct 23	GPS	Satosha	68
9	Oct 25	GPS	Ambadi	45
10	Oct 25	GPS	Khamma	74
11	Oct 28	GPS	Jamuntola	23
12	Oct 28	GMS	Turia	78
13	Oct 29	GPS	Awarghani	21
		Total	-	802

November

S.no	Date	School	Village	Number of participants
1	Nov 2	Govt Primary	Khamma	32
		School		
2	Nov 10	Govt Middle	Khamrith	65
		School		
3	Nov 10	GMS	Doodhgaon	107
4	Nov 12	GMS	Tuyepani	113
5	Nov 13	GPS	Jamuntola	30
6	Nov 20	GMS	Telia	61
7	Nov 22	GPS	Awarghani	54
8	Nov 22	GPS	Satosha	65
9	Nov 23	GPS	Potiya	99
10	Nov 23	GPS	Durgapur	33
11	Nov 24	GPS	Ambadi	70
12	Nov 27	GMS	Turia	98
		Total		827

December

S.no	Date	School	Village	Number of participants
1	Dec 2	Govt Middle	Khamma	32
		School		
2	Dec 14	GMS	Turia	36
3	Dec 14	Govt Primary	Awarghani	40
		School		
4	Dec 16	GPS	Potiya	103
5	Dec 18	GMS	Kohoka	60
6	Dec 20	GMS	Telia	56
7	Dec 22	GPS	Jamuntola	28
8	Dec 22	GMS	Tuyepani	110
9	Dec 23	GMS	Doodhgaon	93
10	Dec 23	GMS	Khamrith	71
11	Dec 23	GPS	Satosha	71
12	Dec 31	GMS	Aamajhari	25
13	Dec 31	GPS	Ambadi	66
		Total		791

January

S.no	Date	School	Village	Number of participants
1	Jan 20	Govt Primary School	Satosha	72

2		Govt Middle	Khamrith	68
		School		
3	Jan 21	GPS	Ambadi	68
4		GPS	Khamma	39
5	Jan 22	GPS	Awarghani	23
6		GMS	Doodhgaon	109
7	Jan 25	GMS	Aamajhari	53
8	Jan 27	GMS	Telia	52
9		GMS	Turia	75
10	Jan 29	GPS	Potiya	83
11		GMS	Tuyepani	98
12	Jan 31	GPS	Jamuntola	30
13	Jan 31	GPS	Kohoka	63
		Total		833

February

S.no	Date	School	Village	Number of participants
1	Feb 2	Govt Primary	Ambadi	38
		School		
2	Feb 4	GPS	Satosha	71
3	Feb 11	GPS	Awarghani	56
4	Feb 12	Government	Turia	24
		Middle School		
5	Feb 12	GMS	Tuyepani	39
6	Feb 17	GPS	Khamma	29
7	Feb 24	GPS	Durgapur	28
8	Feb 24	GPS	Aamajhari	25
9	Feb 24	GMS	Doodhgaon	38
10	Feb 25	GMS	Telia	50
11	Feb 25	GPS	Jamuntola	29
		Total		427

March

S.no	Date	School	Village	Number of participants
1	Mar 10	Govt Primary	Aamajhari	113
		School		
2	Mar 14	GPS	Satosha	71
3	Mar 14	Govt Middle	Tuyepani	103
		School		
4	Mar 14	Govt High	Turia	56
		School		
5	Mar 15	GMS	Doodhgaon	107
6	Mar 16	GMS	Telia	51

7	Mar 16	GPS	Khamrith	29
8	Mar 18	GPS	Awarghani	44
9	Mar 18	GPS	Khamma	34
10	Mar 22	GPS	Ambadi	70
11	Mar 23	GPS	Durgapur	28
12	Mar 23	GPS	Potiya	83
13	Mar 24	GPS	Jamuntola	29
14	Mar 25	GPS	Kohoka	30
		Total		848

Film shows

April

S.No	Date	Place	Movie	Participants
1	Apr 08	Village Khamma	Living with Tiger	30
2	Apr 08	Village Khamrith	Living with Tiger	22
3	Apr 08	Village Turia	Pench	68
4	Apr 09	GPS Kohoka	Pench	50
5	Apr 09	GMS Telia	Living with Tiger	50
6	Apr 10	GMS Aamajhari	do	47
7	Apr 10	GMS Awarghani	do	25
		Total		292

August

S.No	Date	Place	Movie	Participants
1	Aug 9	GPS Awarghani	Malli	51
2		GMS Turia	Kanha Laxmi	77
3	Aug 10	GPS Satosha	Kanha Laxmi	70
4		GMS Telia	Kanha Laxmi	128
5	Aug 11	GMS Aamajhari	Truth about Tiger	110
6		GPS Potiya	Kanha Laxmi	113
		Total		549

October

S.No	Date	Place	Movie	Participants
1	Oct 14	GMS, Tuyepani	Kanha Laxmi	207
2	Oct 14	GMS, Doodhgaon	Truth about Tigers	107
		Total		314

Annexure 3 Details of job placements

April

S.	Village	Name	Monthly Salary	Educational	Date	Age	Employer
no				Qualification			
1	Turia	Nitesh	Rs 1600/- per	10th standard	Apr	18	Housekeeper
		Yadav	month + meals	fail	6		at Resort
			and				Mahuavan,
			accommodation				Turia
2	Turia	Ashish	Rs 1600/- per	11th standard	Apr	18	do
		Adambe	month + meals	pass	6		
			and				
			accommodation				

May

S.	Village	Name	Monthly Salary	Educational	Date	Age	Employer
no				Qualification			
1	Aamajhari	Gendlal	Rs 3,000/- +	11 th standard	May	21	Housekeeping
		Hinge	meals and	pass	2		supervisor
			accommodation				with Mahua
							Van Resort

September

S.no	Date	Village	Name	Salary	Qual	Age	Job
1	Sept	Turia	Sanjay Tejare	Rs 3,000/- +	8 th	19	Housekeeper
	24			meals and	standard		at
				accommodation	pass		Mrignaynee
							Resort,
							Turia
2	Sept	Turia	Tarabai	Rs 2,400/-	7^{th}	45	Manual
	24		Rakdhe		standard		labour at
					fail		Tuli Tiger
							Corridor,
							Turia

November

S.no	Date	Village	Name	Salary	Qual	Age	Job
1	Nov 18	Satosha	Jaiveer	Rs 1,800/- +	8 th	18	Housekeeping
			Khusram	meals and	standard		assistant at
				accommodation	pass		Mahua Van
							Resort, Turia
2	do	Khamma	Rajesh Nareti	Rs 1,800/- +	9 th	19	do

		meals and	standard	
		accommodation	pass	

December

S.no	Date	Village	Name	Salary	Qual	Age	Job
1	Dec 6	Satosha	Ashish Parte	Rs 1,700/- +	6 th	18	Trainee at
				meals and	standard		Mahua Van
				accommodation	pass		Resort, Turia
2	Dec 17	Turia	Dipaklal	Rs 2,000/- +	5 th	19	Utilities
			Bhombe	meals and	standard		assistant at
				accommodation	pass		Tuli Tiger
							Corridor,
							Turia

Annexure 4 Medical camps

April

S. No	Date	Village	No. of patients
1	Apr 24	Tekadi	39
2	Apr 24	Karmajhari	37
3	Apr 25	Gumtara	45
4	Apr 25	Jamtara	60
5	Apr 26	Doodhgaon	15
6	Apr 26	Tuyepani	70
	Total		266

May

S.no Date		Village	Patients
1	May 29	Potiya	22
2		Durgapur	16
3	May 30	Aamajhari	50
4		Turia	30
5	May 31	Khamrith	22
6		Ambadi	16
	Total		156

July

S.no	Date	Village	Patients
1	July 17	Karmajhari	55
2		Tekadi	15
3	July 18	Jamtara	52
4		Kokiwada	25
5	July 19	Doodhgaon	75
6		Tuyepani	25
	Total		247

August

S.no	Date	Village	Patients
1	Aug 21	Jamuntola	45
2		Awarghani	20
3	Aug 22	Aamajhari	14
4		Turia	27
5	Aug 23	Telia	37
		Total	143

September

S.no	Date	Village	Patients
1 Sept 2:		Awarghani	13
2		Turia	31
3	Sept 26	Durgapur	46
4		Potiya	57
5	Sept 27	Jamuntola	8
6		Telia	72
	Total		227

December

S.no	Date	Village	Patients
1	Dec 11	Karmajhari	30
2		Tekadi	87
3	Dec 12	Jamtara	55
4		Kokiwada	56
5	Dec 13	Doodhgaon	72
6	·	Tuyepani	53
	Total		353

January

S.no	Date	Village	Patients
1	Jan 8	Awarghani	36
2		Telia	52
3	Jan 9	Ambadi	47
4		Aamajhari	2
5	Jan 10	Potiya	60
6		Durgapur	12
	Total		209

February

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S.no	Date	Village	Patients		
1	Feb 5	Karmajhari	29		
2		Tekadi	40		
3	Feb 6	Kumbhpani	90		
4		Gumtara	37		
5	Feb 7	Pulpuldoh	52		
6		Doodhgaon	57		
	Tota		305		
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