



**PENCH M.P.
June 2011**

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Highlights

- ⇒ *1 shramdhaan for cleaning area around hand pump and water tank at Satosha*
- ⇒ *One bird-watching trail for children of Turia*
- ⇒ *6 medical camps -- treated 82 patients*

Conservation work

S.no	Date	Village	Activity	No. of participants
1	June 28	Satosha	Cleaning of area around hand pump and water tank	11
2	June 29	Turia	Nature trail cum bird-watching trail	11

Our team organised a shramdhaan on June 28 to clean a water tank and the area immediately around a hand pump at Satosha. Spillover water from the pump had stagnated in the area and created a bog, while the water tank was clogged with debris and scum. Field Assistant Niranjan Hinge led a team of 11 children from the village in the clean-up programme.



Water tank being cleaned at Satosha

On June 29, Niranjan Hinge led 11 children from Turia village on a bird-watching trail in the jungle near the village. Hinge, a former guide at Pench National Park, talked to the children about birds, their role in nature and the need for conservation.



Nature trail at Turia, Pench (M.P.)

Mobile Health Unit (MHU)

We assisted Nature Conservation Society, Amravati in holding 6 medical camps in June.

S.no	Date	Village	Patients
1	June 25	Turia	30
2		Awarghani	7
3	June 26	Khamrith	2
4		Aamajhari	10
5	June 27	Jamuntola	3
6		Telia	30
	Total		82

During the month, we also assisted 3 villagers from Turia in getting treatment for cataracts. These villagers had been suffering from eye trouble for quite some time and our team took up their cause, spoke to Mahatme Eye Hospital in Nagpur and made arrangements for the patients to go to Nagpur. The patients, who were treated free of cost, are now back in their villages after successful treatment.