



**TADOBA-ANDHARI TIGER RESERVE
AUGUST 2011**

Team:

Bandu Kumare – *Field assistant*

Highlights

- ⇒ *Plantation programme in 5 villages – 42 saplings planted in school campuses*
- ⇒ *Anti-plastic programmes in 2 villages*
- ⇒ *Public hygiene/village cleanliness programmes in 3 villages*
- ⇒ *1 nature trail*
- ⇒ *10 classroom visits in environment education programme, attended by 356 students*
- ⇒ *9 film shows on wildlife, attended by 367 people*
- ⇒ *Two unemployed youths placed in jobs at Mul*
- ⇒ *Health camps in 2 villages – total of 105 patients treated*
- ⇒ *One awareness programme at Kolara on livelihood opportunities*
- ⇒ *Two visits to Bhagwanpur to follow up status of relocated villagers*

Conservation

S.No	Date	Village	Activity	Participants
1	Aug 5	Bamdeli	Plantation programme – 5 saplings planted	9
2	Aug 6	Adegaon	--do-- - 7 saplings	14
3	Aug 12	Katwal	--do-- - 10 saplings	18
4	Aug 15	Moharli	--do-- - 15 saplings	21
5	Aug 16	Sitarampeth	--do-- - 5 saplings	13
6	Aug 12	Kondegaon	Anti-plastic programme	13
7	Aug 24	Bamdeli	--do--	7
8	Aug 13	Dewada	Public/village cleanliness programme	11
9	Aug 16	Mudholi	--do--	19
10	Aug 24	Chorgaon	--do--	26
11	Aug 13	Chorgaon	Nature trail	23

With the onset of monsoon rains, our teams have been focusing on plantation programmes across the landscape. During August, Bandu enlisted the support of local schools in 5 villages to plant saplings. The saplings were prepared locally in the villages.

A total of 42 saplings were planted during August and details are given in the table above. Earlier, 40 saplings were planted in July.

On August 12, Bandu organised an anti-plastic programme at Kondegaon in which school students cleaned up the village of plastic litter and waste. The litter/waste was then buried in pits. 14 students of the ZP Primary School joined hands with Bandu in this task.

A similar programme was organised on August 24 at Bamdeli with 13 students.

On August 13, Bandu organised a village cleanliness/public hygiene programme at Dewada. 11 students from the village's ZP primary School joined hands with Bandu to clean the village of village streets of litter.

Similar programmes were organised on August 16 at Mudholi with 19 students and on August 24 at Chorgaon with 26 students.

On August 13, Bandu, who was formerly a guide at Tadoba-Andhari Tiger Reserve, organised a bird-watching/nature trail at Chorgaon. 23 students from the village's ZP Primary School accompanied Bandu on the trail during which he spoke to them about local flora and fauna and the need for conservation.

On August 31, the Forest Department (Territorial Wing) organised a plantation programme at Moharli in which prominent villagers were invited to plant saplings. Bandu was also invited to this programme.

Education

During August, Bandu visited 10 schools to deliver lectures on nature and wildlife conservation.

S.no	Date	School	Village	Number of students
1	Aug 4	Zilla Parishad Primary School	Mudholi	66
2	Aug 5	--do--	Bamdeli	9
3	Aug 17	--do--	Adegaon	19
4	Aug 18	--do--	Dewada	20
5	Aug 18	--do--	Chorgaon	50
6	Aug 19	--do--	Sitarampeth	14
7	Aug 19	--do--	Kondegaon	31
8	Aug 19	--do--	Moharli	68
9	Aug 20	--do--	Katwal	44
10	Aug 20	--do--	Kutwanda	35
	<i>Total</i>			<i>356</i>

Employment Cell

During August, two unemployed youths got jobs thanks to our efforts.

S. no	Name	Village	Monthly Salary	Educational Qualification	Date	Age	Job
1	Devidas Hari Sedam	Kolara	Rs 5,500/-	12 th standard pass	Aug 26	30	Security guard at Steel Factory at MIDC, Mul
2	Sandip Uttam Gedam	Kolara	Rs 5,500/-	11 th standard	Aug 26	25	--do--

On August 23, we organised a workshop-cum-awareness programme at Kolara to discuss self-employment training as well as employment opportunities. 31 youths from the village participated in the programme, at which Bandu and our Employment Cell officer, Naved Khan, spoke. We are hoping to shortly organise a programme to train 20 of these youths in driving four-wheelers.

Education Van

There were a total of 9 film shows on wild life in August.

S.No	Date	Place	Movie	Participants
1	Aug 9	ZP School, Chorgaon	Mera Dost Magarmach	96
2		ZP School, Adegaon	--do--	17
3		ZP School, Dewada	--do--	22
4	Aug 10	ZP School, Moharli	--do--	48
5		ZP School, Bamdeli	--do--	11
6		ZP School, Sitarampeth	--do--	16
7		ZP School, Kondegaon	--do--	25
8	Aug 11	ZP School, Mudholi	Tadoba – Real land of the Tiger	103
9	Aug 11	ZP School, Kutwanda	Mera Dost Magarmach	29
	Total			367

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We assisted nature Conservation Society, Amravati in conducting health camps in 2 villages during August.

S.no	Date	Village	Patients
1	Aug 1	Jamni	49
2	Aug 1	Navegaon	56
	Total		105