



**TADOBA-ANDHARI TIGER RESERVE  
JUNE 2011**

**Team:**

Bandu Kumare – *Field assistant*

**Highlights**

- ⇒ *One programme to clean a waterhole at Kondegaon*
- ⇒ *One programme to de-silt and clean a soak pit at Kondegaon*
- ⇒ *One programme each to clean surroundings around hand pump at Dewada and Junona*
- ⇒ *Anti-plastic programme in 1 village – Sitarampeth*
- ⇒ *Follow-up to plantation done earlier in 3 villages – Bhamdeli, Kutwanda, Junona*
- ⇒ *Nature trail/bird-watching in 1 village – Moharli*
- ⇒ *Pre-plantation work – collection of seeds in 3 villages - Chorgaon, Katwal, Mudholi*
- ⇒ *Ongoing support to girls trained in tailoring*
- ⇒ *Two youths placed in jobs locally*
- ⇒ *Two visits to Bhagwanpur to follow up status of relocated villagers*
- ⇒ *Support to MHU – medical camps in 6 villages at which 254 patients were treated*

**Conservation**

S.No	Date	Village	Activity	Participants
1	June 9	Dewada	Cleaning of surroundings next to hand pump	3
2	June 10	Sitarampeth	Follow-up to plantation work done earlier	13
3	June 12	Kondegaon	Cleaning of waterhole	2
4	June 13	Moharli	Bird-watching cum nature trail	3
5	June 13	Bhamdeli	Follow-up to plantation work done earlier	4
6	June 15	Chorgaon	Pre-plantation work, seeds collection	16
7	June 16	Sitarampeth	Anti-plastic programme	6

8	June 17	Junona	Cleaning of surroundings next to hand pump	1
9	June 21	Katwal	Pre-plantation work, seeds collection	5
10	June 21	Kondegaon	Cleaning and de-silting of soak pit	5
11	June 22	Junona	Follow-up to plantation work done earlier	6
12	June 24	Mudholi	Pre-plantation work, seeds collection	9

On June 9, Bandu organised a programme to clean up the surroundings next to a hand pump at Dewada. Due to stagnating water, the area had become like a bog and was a breeding ground for mosquitoes and other insects. 3 youths from the village joined hands with Bandu to dig a canal which drained away the stagnant water.



*Cleaning area next to hand pump at Dewada, Tadoba*

On June 10, Bandu arranged for students of Zilla Parishad Primary School, Sitarampeth to tend to saplings planted last year. The students built protection for the saplings and watered them.



*Children tend to saplings at Sitarampeth, Tadoba*

On June 12, Bandu organised a shramdhaan at Kondegaon to clean a water hole in the jungle around one km from the village to Mudholi. Two unemployed youths from the village joined hands with Bandu in the programme. The water body is used by birds as well as other wildlife. Wild dogs, chital and nilgai are regularly spotted in the area.

On June 13, Bandu, who was formerly a guide at Tadoba-Andhari Tiger Reserve, organised a bird-watching/nature trails at Moharli. Three youths from the village benefited from the trail as Bandu taught them about local flora and fauna and the need for conservation.

On the same day, Bandu organised a programme at ZP School, Bhamdeli in which 4 students joined hands with him to tend to saplings planted last year. The students built protection for the saplings and watered them.



*Children tend to saplings planted earlier by them at Bhamdeli, Tadoba*

On June 15, Bandu and 16 children of Chorgaon got together to prepare the school campus for plantation during the monsoon. They collected seeds from their homes and put them at the school for planting later. The seeds included neem, chinch, mango, sitaphal, Mahua and kaner.



*Bandu Kumare shows off seeds collected by children of Chorgaon, Tadoba, for planting in monsoon*

Similar programmes were organised on June 21 at Katwal and on June 24 at Mudholi.

On June 16, Bandu organised an anti-plastic programme at Sitarampeth in which school students cleaned up the village of plastic litter and waste. The litter/waste was then buried in pits. Six students of the ZP Primary School joined hands with Bandu in this task.

On June 17, Bandu organised a programme to clean up the surroundings next to a hand pump at Junona. 1 youth from the village joined hands with Bandu to dig a canal to drain away stagnant water from around the hand pump.



*Cleaning area next to hand pump at Junona, Tadoba*

On June 21, Bandu organised a programme at Kondegaon to de-silt and clean up a soak pit next to a hand pump. The pit had become clogged with litter and was overflowing. 5 children from the village joined Bandu in the programme.

On June 22, Bandu arranged for students of Zilla Parishad Primary School, Junona to tend to saplings planted last year. The students built protection for the saplings and watered them.

### ***Employment Cell***

Two youths got jobs thanks to our efforts.

S. no	Name	Village	Monthly Salary	Educational Qualification	Date	Age	Job
1	Maruti Shende	Adegaon	Rs 2,500/-	10 <sup>th</sup> standard pass	June 18	26	Helper at Sapan Chicken Centre, Chandrapur
2	Pramod Dhanorkar	--do--	Rs 2,500/-	12 <sup>th</sup> standard fail	June 18	24	--do--



*Maruti Shende and Pramod Dhanorkar*

Two girls, who were trained in tailoring and embroidery through our assistance, earned around Rs 2,000/- each in June.

### **MHU**

A total of 6 villages were covered by our medical camps in June.

S.no	Date	Village	Patients
1	June 4	Sitarampeth	20
2		Adegaon	30
3	June 5	Palasgaon	62
4		Karwa	19
5	June 6	Jamni	75
6		Navegaon	48
	<b>Total</b>		<b>254</b>



*Medical camp at Jamni*

### **Bhagwanpur**

Bandu visited Bhagwanpur on June 7-8 and June 19-20 to follow up on the status of the relocated villagers.

There is nothing fresh to add to reports of earlier months. Villagers are busy preparing for farming.

Some of the villagers asked Bandu whether they can get financial assistance to purchase seeds.